

REISS FORESTRY PRODUCTS SOURCING POLICY

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Purpose

Reiss recognises the critical role the world's forests play in mitigating climate change and supporting biodiversity. We further acknowledge that Ancient and Endangered forests must be protected for their ecological and climate value.

This policy outlines our commitment to help protect the world's forests and their biodiversity, by supporting responsible forestry management through our approach to sourcing timber, pulp, paper, packaging and fabrics.

Scope

The policy applies to all employees, contractors, and suppliers.

This policy applies to all forestry commodities used by Reiss in our operations, products and supply chain, including:

- Wood
- Paper and cardboard
- Natural rubber
- Textiles made from wood pulp such as viscose, lyocell, acetate and modal
- Leather

Definitions

- Deforestation: We align to the European Union Deforestation Regulation definition of deforested land, being that which has been deforested or converted after 2020.
- Ancient and Endangered Forests: ecologically crucial forest areas, integral to biodiversity and that must be protected from logging and other disturbances.
- Preferred materials: Materials accepted by Reiss as preferred, with lower environmental impact, compared to conventional alternatives available of the same materials. Full details on the current material preferences are provided to Suppliers through onboarding and training.
- Certified materials: those materials sourced through a recognised third-party chain of custody certificate.
- Next gen materials: Next Generation Materials are non-forest feedstocks that replace virgin wood in paper, packaging, and man-made cellulosic fibres. We recognise the need to reduce dependence on virgin forestry resources, and support the development and adoption of 'NextGen' material feedstocks as set out by Canopy¹

¹ <https://canopyplanet.org/campaigns/canopystyle/canopystyle-next-generation-vision-for-viscose/>

Our commitment

Reiss is committed to the responsible sourcing of timber and forestry products. Our commitments are:

1. Design and Prioritisation of Reduction and Reuse of paper for product packaging

Reiss seeks to reduce paper use in product packaging where feasible and prioritises the use of recycled and recyclable materials where commercially and technically viable.

2. Shift to Reiss Preferred Materials

Product materials

- Our suppliers must follow key sourcing standards designed to assess and minimise the risk of sourcing from Ancient and Endangered forests For MMCF sourcing this includes sourcing from only Green Shirt fibre producers within Canopy's Hot Button Report.
- By 2025 all leather and hide sourced for Reiss products must come from an LWG audited and certified tannery²
- Reiss aims to improve transparency within its MMCF supply chains, including exploring the mapping of fibre producers using recognised external tools such as the Canopy Hot Button Report. If any suppliers are found to be sourcing from Ancient and Endangered Forests while supply chain mapping is being completed, we will take immediate action to engage these suppliers for improved sourcing and/or changes in practices, or reevaluate our relationship with them.

Non product materials:

- Reiss Sourcing Policies also apply to non-stock providers
- In all store and building works, priority must be given to re-use of existing fittings and materials

3. Packaging and Paper Sourcing Choices

Reiss recognises the importance of packaging and paper solutions that have a lower environmental impact. We may reference recognised industry resources, such as Canopy's [Ecopaper database](#) and [The Paper Steps](#) as a guide for paper and packaging sourcing.

4. Support Best Processing Practices and Procurement

Reiss requires that our man-made cellulosic suppliers use best available environmental practices for processing, such as the 'closed loop' lyocell processing.

We will give purchasing preference to paper and packaging that has been processed utilising environmentally preferred technologies such as chlorine free bleaching³.

² <https://www.leatherworkinggroup.com/our-impact/traceability/>

³ Unbleached, Process Chlorine Free (PCF) and Totally Chlorine Free (TCF) is preferred with Elemental Chlorine Free (ECF) as a minimum.

5. Promote Industry Leadership

As policy implementation progresses, Reiss will work with suppliers, non-governmental organisations, other stakeholders and brands that work with Canopy and forward solutions to reduce the demands upon forests.

Our requirements

We will comply with all applicable local and international laws and regulations surrounding deforestation risk and prevention in all relevant jurisdictions.

All Suppliers must Communicate this policy and ensure compliance in their own supply chain.

Implementation

- All employees have been trained on our Forestry Products Sourcing policy as part of onboarding.
- All suppliers will receive and commit to complying with our Forestry Products Sourcing policy.
- We will conduct supply chain due diligence to ensure compliance with our policy.
- We will monitor and track our adoption of preferred and certified raw materials, which we report on publicly each year.
- We will regularly review and update our policy as needed on an annual basis.

Related policies

- Human Rights policy
- Supplier Code of Conduct
- Raw Materials Sourcing Policy
- Animal Welfare policy