

HARPERCOLLINS' PAPER PURCHASING POLICY

As a major purchaser of paper, HarperCollins UK is committed to playing a responsible role in protecting the environment. To help us achieve this, we have developed the following policy standards:

We require our suppliers to comply with all environmental laws and regulations applicable in their countries of operation.

We are working with our suppliers to identify and phase out any fibre in our supply chain that comes from ancient and endangered forests. We do not approve of and reject illegal logging and destructive logging.

Where practical and viable we give preference to paper that maximises post consumer recycled content.

We are working with our suppliers to ensure that the virgin fibre we purchase comes from certified and well-managed forests.

We encourage and expect improvement, and promote credible independent certification, giving preference to virgin fibre certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

We ensure that our paper suppliers are fully aware of our commitment to the development of commercially viable new grades of book paper that maximise recycled fibres or meet FSC standards.

In addition to working with existing suppliers, we are committed to sourcing suitable FSC and recycled book grades to support our publishing needs as they become available elsewhere from reliable and viable companies.

We will give preference to processed and totally chlorine-free paper products.

For the last four years, our packaging and distribution centre in Glasgow has been accredited with full compliance of the exacting ISO 14001:1996, the international standard for environmental management.

Furthermore by F06 we are committed to only using recycled and FSC certified paper within our three UK offices (all photocopier, headed paper, business correspondence, marketing material and sales brochures etc).

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