

# HARPERCOLLINS GLOBAL PAPER PROCUREMENT POLICY

At HarperCollins we take our environmental impact very seriously and have adapted our business practices in an effort to help minimize our environmental footprint.

HarperCollins' global paper procurement and usage policy supports the general goals of environmentally sustainable fibre use, reducing pollution and conserving natural resources through recycling and waste reduction. As one of the major purchasers of paper in the publishing sector, we are committed to protecting and minimising our impact on the environment. In order to produce materials responsibly we have adopted high standards for the procurement of paper. We actively work with our suppliers to maximise the efficient use of paper and reduce consumption.

**Forest Management Practices** HarperCollins' book printing paper is sourced from mills whose forest management practices are certified by an independent, internationally recognized sustainable forestry certification body such as the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)<sup>®</sup>, Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFI) and Canadian Standards Association (CSA). Suppliers who source wood from third party suppliers must provide proof that wood supplied by their third party sources has been harvested in an environmentally sound manner.

In addition, we are committed to purchasing chain of custody certified paper where possible. Certifications accepted by HarperCollins are FSC, PEFC, SFI, and CSA.

HarperCollins requires compliance with all government regulations in each community and country where our paper suppliers operate and also the EU Timber regulations in Europe and the Lacey Act in the US. We do not do business with companies who collude with or purchase wood products from illegal logging operations. We aim to use only acceptable fibre sources for books produced for HarperCollins.

## **Forest Fibre**

Fibre and fibre sources for all forest based materials will be known and verified.

Fibre from the following will be excluded from all book paper used by HarperCollins:

- illegally harvested fibre
- endangered and old growth forests
- paper sourced from drained tropical peatlands
- Indonesian tropical rainforests
- any contentious supplier or their affiliates
- mixed tropical hardwood including ramin
- high risk Acacia sources

## **Chlorine**

HarperCollins paper must be produced with pulp that has been bleached using either Totally Chlorine Free (TFC) or Elemental Chlorine Free (EFC) processes.

## **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle**

HarperCollins is committed to reducing its overall use of fibre and raw materials consumed in the production of paper wherever possible. In addition, we have an extensive supply chain management process that allows us to better oversee print runs, and we are increasing the use of Print on Demand (POD) technologies to make for less waste in printing and shipping.