



# JELD-WEN AND THE EU TIMBER REGULATION Q&A

As a company founded on manufacturing from wood, JELD-WEN recognises the importance of a sustainable supply chain. All JELD-WEN's doors in Europe meet the requirements of the new EU Timber Regulation effective March 2013.

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# **EU TIMBER REGULATION?**

The EU Timber Regulation is a new legislation from the European Union with the purpose to combat trade in illegally harvested timber. To achieve this goal, the new regulation sets out procedures which companies within EU must follow to minimise the risk of illegal timber being traded.

More specifically, this means that any company importing wood products from outside the EU is responsible for ensuring their legal origin through a due diligence process verifying legality of the products. The due diligence process consist of the wood operating companies undertaking

a risk management exercise in order to minimize the risk of placing illegally harvested timber on the market. Also the companies trading wood products after they have entered the EU market are responsible for keeping records of their suppliers and customers in order to keep the traceability of the timber product.

# 2. DOES THE **EU TIMBER REGULATION** AFFECT THE SUPPLY AND VARIETY OF **JELD-WEN PRODUCTS?**

All in all, the EU Timber Regulation does not carry along any major changes which will affect our customers when buying or specifying our products.

Although a number of African or tropical species are being cut from the JELD-WEN range, we have endeavored to replace risk species with similar certified species.

## 3. IS COMPLIANCE WITH THE EU TIMBER **REGULATION OPTIONAL?**

No, compliance with the EUTR is mandatory. It will be controlled by the local authorities in each country.







### 7. WHAT IS **PEFC?**

PEFC, or Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification™, is an international forest certification system that promotes environmentally, socially and economically sustainable forestry throughout the world. Requirements of PEFC certification covers the

protection of forest biodiversity, forest health and growth, maintenance, and recreation.

PEFC works as an umbrella organization by endorsing national forest certification systems which are tailored to local priorities and conditions.



Both FSC and PEFC are international non-governmental, non-profit organisations.
Both schemes work to promote responsible foresty through standards for responsible forestry and standards for traceability. This means that both schemes represent a guarantee that the

product carrying their logo comes from forests where no more trees are cut down

than the forest can
manage to reproduce.
At the same time
it is a guarantee for
the protection of the
animal life and flora and
that the people working
in the forests are ensured
proper working conditions.



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