

This policy statement forms part of our Integrated Management System (IMS) which is certified to BS EN ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015, ISO 45001:2018, National Highways Sector Scheme (NHSS) 16 Certification and CE Marking to EN13108.

The procurement process offers MGL Group (MGL) a significant opportunity for improving our sustainable performance and that of our supply chain partners and stakeholders

Responsibilities:

The responsibility for determining Company Policies is derived by the Board of Directors. Andrew Slater, SHEQ Director has been appointed as having overall responsibility for this Policy.

Priorities, Aims and Objectives:

Timber Procurement:

MGL is committed to procuring all timber products purchased for either temporary or permanent inclusion in our projects (including all reused, recovered or reclaimed timber) from well-managed sources certified as legal and sustainable, as defined by the UK Government Central Point of Expertise on Timber (CPET).

Documented evidence will demonstrate the legality and sustainability of timber and timber products as noted below:

- **Cat A Evidence:** Independent certification by any of the forest certification schemes, such as FSC or PEFC and evidence that they have been procured with a complete chain of custody.
- **Cat B Evidence:** Alternative documentary evidence which provides assurance that the source is legal and sustainable. This type of evidence can be used where the supplier or contractor is not certified.

The company is a supporter of, and will give preference to, the use of timber and timber products which are assured as 'Grown in Britain'.

Procurement of (Dimensional) Stone:

The company recognises the inherent risks in sourcing dimensional stone and will give preference to suppliers demonstrating leadership in the ethical stewardship of their supply chain.

This can be evidenced through compliance with a recognised responsible sourcing scheme certified by a third party.

Also recognised are membership of, and participation in the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI Stone Group), the TFT Responsible Stone Program, or the United Nations Global Compact and membership of the Stone Federation GB.

Procurement of Steel:

Where a project requires the procurement of structural and / or reinforcing steel, procurement decisions will be based on an assessment of risk, cost, social and environmental factors. When procuring steel for use on MGL projects supply chain partners must demonstrate:

- Adherence to British Quality Standards and all applicable European Directives and Regulations.
- Compliance with a recognised responsible sourcing scheme (BES 6001, Eco-Reinforcement, UK CARES etc).
- Positive outcomes associated with shorter delivery distances.
- Support for local employment and training opportunities.

Procurement of Products:

For all other products and materials, the company is committed to working with supply chain partners who are able to demonstrate compliance with a recognised responsible sourcing scheme, certified by a third party (BES 6001 etc.).

Communication of Policy: This policy is communicated to all employees and is made available to any interested party.

Policy Review: This policy statement will be reviewed on an annual basis and amended where appropriate.

Andrew Slater
SHEQ Director



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