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How to guarantee  
your customers  
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# The Chain of Custody

## Certification of the Chain of Custody

This involves two things:

- Describing and documenting 'standards' of the requirements of each stage in the supply chain.
- Providing proof of compliance to the documented standards through a system of independent, third party certification.

Forest and Chain of Custody certification enables consumers to make informed purchase decisions. It assures consumers that the product has been sourced in accordance with an internationally recognised legal framework that has been independently audited.

## Who should be involved in the Program?

Sawmillers, manufacturers of wood products, wholesalers, designers/makers, retailers and gallery owners – all those supply chain businesses that want to demonstrate to customers the environmental and social integrity of their products.

## The benefits of certification

Fine Timber Tasmania's Chain of Custody has the potential to add value to your fine timber product. Each license holder can use the symbol to demonstrate to their customers the integrity of the product and that it is fine Tasmanian timber. Promotional and point of sale material is also available so the environmental and social benefits of certified products can be communicated.

'Forest growers are at the very beginning of the Chain of Custody. Every other link in the chain relies on their forest management practices.'



### Forest Manager

Forestry Tasmania is certified under the Australian Forest Certification Scheme (AFCS) which is accredited by the international Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes (PEFC)

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Forest Manager

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*Terry Groves*  
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'I want to be part of  
the Chain of Custody  
system and do  
the right thing for  
the forest and my  
customers both here  
and overseas.'

'The Chain of Custody  
will differentiate  
our furniture and  
products... and that  
has great marketing  
potential.'

*Jane Hutchinson*

'Products that  
carry the Chain of  
Custody symbol  
will reassure our  
customers of the  
origin of the timber...  
and that's what  
they want.'

'It will help build  
the brand of our fine  
timber industry and  
our designer/makers  
and our State.'



### Wholesale Distributor

*Karen Harvey*  
Ossa Design



### Designer/Maker

Axiom

'It will say to our  
customers that we're  
serious about doing  
the right thing for the  
environment and our  
beautiful timbers.'

*Dan Whiting*



### Retail Manager

*Rye Dunsmuir*  
Retail Manager  
Design Centre Tasmania



### Gallery Manager

*Dr Astrid Wootton*  
Director  
Design Centre Tasmania Board  
Member  
Brand Tasmania

This chain is an example only; other chains within the system  
may involve different businesses and organisations.

'As awareness grows of the need to manage our forests in a sustainable way, consumers are becoming increasingly concerned over the origin of their purchases. This is particularly important to the buyer of high-value craft and furniture items. They want to do the right thing and support sustainable forest management by buying certified products.

*George Harris*  
Chairman  
Fine Timber Tasmania



Fine Timber Tasmania Incorporated, a not-for-profit organisation, is responding to this market trend through a Chain of Custody program. Chain of Custody refers to all the steps or links in taking certified products from the forest to the end user. Many individual companies have a Chain of Custody but nowhere else in the world is there one that applies to a fine timber supply chain. Fine Timber Tasmania's Chain of Custody is an innovative and credible program that guarantees the exotic Tasmanian timber has been legally sourced from a sustainably managed forest and represents a responsible purchase decision. Guaranteed.'

## The Steps to Certification

1

Supply chain businesses and users apply for an initial license.

2

Induction training is provided by TOA for license applicants.

3

An observer license is issued until successful completion of an internal audit is undertaken by TOA.

4

After a successful audit an annual license fee is paid and full license issued.