



POSITION STATEMENT

SUBJECT **Boots Position on Wood, Pulp & Paper Sourcing**

STATEMENT

Boots are committed to reducing the environmental and social impacts caused by global deforestation. To help achieve this aim we have developed specific, time bound and cost effective action plans for key commodities.

Boots have a long standing commitment to purchase wood, paper and pulp products and goods not for resale from well-managed, sustainable sources. This commitment covers:

- The elimination of illegally harvested wood.
- The elimination of timber sourced from uncertified high conservation value forests.
- Continuously increasing the proportion of material we use from known, legal sources using recognised credible certification schemes.

Such certification will be to international standards of forest management that include ecological, social and economic criteria - such as those established by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

In order to improve global standards and facilitate best practice in the sourcing of wood pulp and paper Boots were founder members of the Global Forest Trade Network and are signatories to the Consumer Goods Forum pledge to achieve zero net deforestation by 2020.

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