

Choose Certified.

“Ensuring our forests, and products sourced from them, are amongst the most sustainable in the world.”

Who We Are

- » Australian not-for-profit organisation committed to world-class standards for sustainable forest management and forest product traceability.
- » Accredited Standards Development Organisation (SDO) by Standards Australia.
- » Australian member of the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), the world’s largest forest certification system.

What We Do

- » Set globally recognised standards for sustainable forest management based on the joint Australian and New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 4708-2021–AS/NZS 4708-2021.
- » Promote responsibly sourced forest products through independent, third party certification.
- » Develop and promote the Responsible Wood Certification Scheme (RWCS) in Australia and New Zealand.
- » Manage the PEFC brand in Australia and New Zealand (on behalf of the New Zealand Forest Certification Association).



**Responsible
Wood**
RW/1-10-1



PEFC
PEFC/21-1-1

Make a difference.

Good for the Planet and People

- » Sourced from forests preserving biodiversity and cultural values.
- » Contribute to carbon and climate change mitigation.
- » Support essential ecosystem services for communities.

Supporting United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- » Promoting sustainable forest management to support UN SDGs.
- » Adherence to international sustainability benchmarks through PEFC endorsement.
- » Key alignment with climate action, life on land, and responsible consumption and production SDGs.

Independent, Impartial and Traceable

- » Balancing cultural, environmental, social, and economic sustainability.
- » Independent handling of accreditation and auditing for credibility.
- » Thorough, independent audits ensuring transparency and conformance.

Our Impact

+16 million

Hectares of certified forests in Australia and New Zealand

30+


Forest organisations

+ 360

Individual sites operating chain of custody systems

“Responsible Wood stands for the principle that certified forests remain as forests. We do not support deforestation or forest degradation.”





“Both Responsible Wood and PEFC certification ensures that home grown and imported timber is sourced legally.”



Our Standards

Sustainable Forest Management

AS/NZS 4708-2021

Chain of Custody

AS/NZS 4707-2021

PEFC ST 2002-2020



What is forest certification?
[responsiblewood.org.au/
forest-certification](https://responsiblewood.org.au/forest-certification)

Get Certified.

How Certification Works

- » Standards developed and endorsed through comprehensive consultation and assessment by Standards Australia, Standards New Zealand and PEFC International.
- » Organisations develop a management system that conforms to the Responsible Wood and PEFC certification standards.
- » Organisations are audited at least annually by an independent certification body (JASANZ accredited).
- » Eligible and conforming organisations are issued with certificates for sustainable forest management, chain of custody and, or, both.

Key Benefits of Certification

- » Market access.
- » Enhanced social license.
- » Increased credibility and brand image.
- » Improved compliance with regulations.
- » Operational improvements.
- » Enhanced stakeholder confidence.

Enabling Sustainability.



Responsible
Wood
RW/1-10-1



PEFC
PEFC/21-1-1

“When consumers purchase products with these labels, they can be assured the product purchased originates from a healthy forest that will be around for the next generation.”

Our Logos

- » Represents commitment to forest sustainability.
- » Enhances product visibility and consumer trust.
- » Can be used by certified organisations.
- » May be used by brand owners, retailers and other non-certified organisations to support and promote responsible forestry practices.

“Membership of Responsible Wood is an investment in the future of sustainable forests and their products.”

Become a Member

- » Voting rights on director appointments.
- » Participation in Annual General Meetings (AGMs).
- » Access to specialised training programs and case studies.
- » Insights into market trends, regulatory changes, and sustainability opportunities.
- » Networking opportunities with industry professionals and stakeholders.

Membership Categories

- » Forest Growers.
- » Primary Processors.
- » Supply Chain.
- » Employee Representative Organisations.
- » Community, Social and Environment.



Responsible Wood // RW/1-10-1
30 Boothby Street, Kedron Qld 4031
PO Box 786, New Farm Qld 4005
T. +61 7 3359 1758 // E. info@responsiblewood.org.au
responsiblewood.org.au