

Sustainable Forest Management Policy

Sustainable Timber Tasmania is a Tasmanian Government Business Enterprise that has a statutory responsibility to manage and control Tasmania's permanent timber production zone land and to undertake forest operations on this land for the purposes of selling forest products. These functions – performed in a manner consistent with the principles of the Tasmanian forest practices system – contribute to the sustainable management of Tasmania's forests. Under this policy, Sustainable Timber Tasmania will:

- **Operate** in an environmentally, socially and economically responsible manner;
- **Strive** to maximise recovery and value of our forest products;
- **Implement** measures that protect the environment, minimise waste and prevent pollution;
- **Comply** with all relevant statutory and regulatory requirements;
- **Actively engage** with stakeholders;
- **Maintain** a certified forest management system – and conduct forest management in a manner – that is compliant with the Australian Standards for Sustainable Forest Management (AFS 4708:2013), ISO 14001:2015 and AS/NZS 4801:2001;
- **Commit** to and actively work towards incorporation of Forest Stewardship Council® Principles and Criteria into the forest management system;
- **Commit** to continual improvement of the forest management system to enhance environmental and sustainability performance;
- **Develop** objectives and targets that assist in achieving Sustainable Timber Tasmania's strategic direction.
- **Undertake and support** research relevant to improved forest management;
- **Equip** staff and contractors with sufficient information, skills, training and/or resources to implement this policy;
- **Regularly monitor, audit, review and publicly report** on our performance; and
- **Communicate** this policy and make it publicly available.



Steve Whiteley, Chief Executive Officer

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