Sustainable Solutions

Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) Certified Partner Fact Sheet

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Made from

recycled material

FSC® C163417



What HC products have been FSC certified?

All of HC's fiber products (including growing containers and protective packaging) have been certified as "FSC® Recycled 100%".

What does "FSC® Recycled 100%" mean for The HC Companies and the customer?

Products which bear the "FSC® Recycled 100%" designation

have been verified as being made from 100% recycled content (either post-consumer or pre-consumer reclaimed materials). The use of FSC Recycled products can help to alleviate the pressure of demand on sources of virgin material, thereby helping to protect the world's forests.

Choosing products with the FSC designation ensures that both customers and organizations are doing their part to preserve forests across the globe.

Why FSC designation is desirable?

Corporate social responsibility and sustainability are more than just buzzwords. Consumers expect businesses to be part of the solution when it comes to environmental and social issues. FSC labels can be found on millions of products around the world - from toilet rolls to your favorite book, to that milk carton in your fridge and other food products.

To achieve their mission and vision, FSC has developed a set of ten principles and 70 criteria that apply to FSC certified forests around the world.

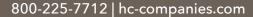
Who is FSC?

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) is a global, not for-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of responsible forest management worldwide. FSC defines standards based on agreed principles for consistent forest stewardships, which are supported by environmental, social and economic stakeholders.

More than 25 years ago, the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio failed to produce an agreement to stop deforestation. In response, a committed group of businesses, environmentalists and community leaders banded together to create a revolutionary concept: a voluntary, market-based approach that would improve forestry practices worldwide.

For more information on the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), visit their website - fsc.org/en/about-us.





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