



The LegalSource[™] Programme Reduce your risk of illegal timber

Take strategic action to exclude illegal timber from your production or supply chains.

The global forest product market is in rapid transition. The basis of this trend are regulations aiming to prevent illegal timber from entering consumer markets. Public and private procurement policies also increasingly focus on timber legality.

LegalSource legality certification and due diligence services are applicable to forest managers, as well as down-stream timber industry, including retailers and traders.

Address your risk

Identifying and addressing risk of illegal timber can be a daunting task. The required level of effort depends on your specific set-up and the complexity of your operations, product range or supply chains.

Our LegalSourceTM Programme includes an EU-recognised due diligence system and user-friendly tools, which help you to address the challenge.

Our due diligence system has helped us define minimum sourcing requirements that are communicated to all our suppliers globally. We chose third-party evaluation of our system in order to ensure the level

of assurance that our customers seek.



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Global solution for forest managers as well as buyers

The LegalSource Programme is aligned with legal frameworks such as the EU Timber Regulation, the US Lacey Act and the Australian Illegal Logging Prohibition Act. It is designed to allow you to meet the obligations of companies operating in regulated markets.

The programme comprises several service areas:

- 1. Gap analysis and action plan development
- 2. Capacity building
- 3. Due diligence support
- 4. Timber testing
- 5. Supply chain management platform
- 6. Supplier auditing
- 7. LegalSource certification
- 8. EUTR Monitoring Organisation services*

Benefits of the LegalSource[™] Programme

- ✓ Expert support to establish and apply due diligence
- Overview of strengths and weaknesses within your procedures or due diligence system
- ✓ Global solution for you and your suppliers
- Scope of services tailored to your needs
- Third-party evaluation inspires confidence amongst your buyers and investors
- ✓ Access to using the LegalSource[™] Certified claim*
- ✓ FII-recognised FITR monitoring services

*Only available for LegalSource certificate holders.







Gap Analysis and Action Planning

If you have yet to start your due diligence system, we recommend to start the process by undergoing a simple gap analysis. This will allow our legality experts to evaluate your operational procedures and provide an overview of key areas for improvement. The key outcome of this exercise is a detailed action plan for you to move forward to a high quality and effective DDS and legal production and sourcing of timber.

Capacity Building

Building competencies amongst your staff, contractors or suppliers helps you to ensure a functional due diligence system. Our experts provide the knowledge and skills that your staff or suppliers need to fulfil their roles in securing legal timber production and trade. This includes understanding applicable legislation related to timber production and trade.

Support to build a Due Diligence System

The LegalSource tools and services help you to work with meeting legal obligations and due diligence in an effective way. Our free due diligence system covers quality management, information management on products/suppliers and risk assessment and mitigation. You can apply our system directly or use it in benchmarking.

We can support your due diligence process through training, information, advice and evaluations. This may include evaluating your existing sourcing policy against specific regulations.

Timber Testing

NEPCon facilitates a range of timber testing technologies that can be used to determine the species and the origin of wood based materials. In partnership with leading global laboratories, we offer microscopic wood anatomy and stable isotope analysis.

Supply Chain Management Platform

In collaboration with IT platform providers, such as Global Traceability Systems, NEPCon can support your due diligence system development with integration of IT platforms to manage supplier and product information.

Supplier Auditing

You may need to carry out supplier audits to assess and reduce supply chain risks. We can evaluate your suppliers in any part of the world, at the forest or factory level.

Certification & EUTR MO services

LegalSource certification of your due diligence system provides a strong basis for supply chain management and communication.

EU-based companies can use our EUTR Monitoring Organisation services. These are delivered within the LegalSource certification framework.

Facilitating robust due diligence

We provide tools and training that facilitate due diligence for legal timber production or sourcing



You collect information, assess risk of illegal timber and plan risk mitigation based on our due diligence guidelines



LegalSource pre-assessment benchmarks your due diligence performance and evaluates your operation's strengths and weaknesses



Obtain third-party assurance for your due diligence practices. Move on to LegalSource main assessment and certification

Global services

We provide our legality services globally, through our network of NEPCon staff and consultants. An extensive network of trained LegalSource experts forms the basis for our delivery of LegalSource services worldwide.

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Building due diligence

Assurance