

<b>ADVICE-40-004-XX</b>	<b>Pre-consumer reclaimed wood compliance with the EUTR</b>
Normative reference	FSC-STD-40-004 V2-1 Clause 3.3.1
Effective date	<b>DRAFT VERSION</b>
Terms & definitions	<b>Pre-consumer reclaimed material:</b> Material that is reclaimed from a process of secondary manufacture or further downstream industry, in which the material has not been intentionally produced, is unfit for end use and not capable of being re-used on-site in the same manufacturing process that generated it.
Background	In 2012, following a mandate from the FSC Board of Directors, FSC initiated a revision process of its standards to ensure harmonization with the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR). According to the EUTR, reclaimed wood such as sawdust and chips are not classified as waste, and therefore subject to compliance with the regulation. Paper scraps are currently excluded from the scope of the EUTR. As a result of this revision, FSC identified the need to introducing requirements for the control of pre-consumer reclaimed wood in order to ensure FSC's products conformance with the EUTR, for products placed on the European market.
Advice	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 FSC certificate holders importing FSC certified products containing pre-consumer reclaimed wood material (except paper scraps) to countries under the scope of the EUTR shall exercise due diligence to ensure that these materials do not contain illegally harvested timber.</li> <li>2 FSC certificate holders located in countries outside of the EU, exporting FSC certified products that contain pre-consumer reclaimed wood material to companies in countries under the scope of the EUTR shall inform their customers about the presence of pre-consumer reclaimed wood material in the product before its delivery and support their customers in applying their due diligence system, as required in the EUTR.</li> </ol>