

TÜV NORD CERT – Certification of PEFC Chain of Custody

PEFC Certification – Proof of products from environmentally, economically and socially sustainable forest management

The PEFC Chain of Custody (CoC) certification, based on internationally recognized PEFC standards, demonstrates that products originate from sustainably managed forests.

A PEFC certificate ensures a controlled and independently verified chain of custody that is fully traceable – from certified forests, through wood-processing organizations, to the finished product.

The following stages of the supply chain are covered:

- Procurement
- Processing
- Storage
- Sales



Target groups for PEFC certification

PEFC CoC certification is suitable for sawmills, timber merchants, furniture manufacturers, publishers, printing companies, home improvement retailers, and all other organizations that manufacture, process, or sell products made from wood or wood fibers. For organizations with multiple sites, branches, or subsidiaries, multisite certification is available.

TÜV NORD CERT provides audits for multisite certifications of all sizes – from regional organizations to global enterprises – and offers cost-effective combinations with other certification schemes.

Prerequisites for Certification

- No mixing of PEFC-certified timber with non-controlled timber sources
- Maintenance of quantity records for procured PEFC-certified wood and paper products, inventory levels, production losses (where applicable), and PEFC-certified products sold
- Implementation of a management system that ensures supplier controls, internal audits, and record keeping



Your path to certification



Inquiry & Quotation

Based on the information provided, we will prepare a quotation tailored to your organization.



Order Placement & Scheduling

Once you have commissioned us, we will work with you to draw up a schedule for the audit.



On-site audit

We will review your documents and the implementation of the PEFC requirements, as well as your non-conformity management (where necessary).



Decision & Presentation of Certificates

Following a successful audit, you will receive your PEFC certificate. It is valid for 5 years. An annual surveillance audit is carried out.

Our Expertise – Your advantage

TÜV NORD CERT is an internationally recognized and trusted partner for inspection and certification services. Our experts and auditors possess extensive knowledge and are typically employed directly by TÜV NORD. This ensures independence, impartiality, and continuity in supporting our clients.

The benefits are clear: our auditors accompany and support the development of your organization while providing objective feedback to help drive continuous improvement.

TÜV NORD CERT has a team of highly qualified auditors with experience from more than 1,000 certificates issued in the field of wood chain of custody certification. As a trusted certification partner, we support clients not only in Germany but across the globe

Companies and organizations in the wood and paper processing industries are faced with a wide range of certification schemes. These also include management system certifications such as ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 50001.

With its comprehensive expertise, TÜV NORD CERT offers a broad portfolio of certification services from a single source. By combining audits for multiple certification schemes, organizations can benefit from valuable synergies and achieve significant cost savings.



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