

Summary of the verification scheme

Name of the system	Legality: Data Based Risk Assessment + Analysis
Related Area	USA
General overview of verification	Hardwood Industry Association
	Name Location Communication
	Outline of issuing process
	Study by independent consultant to analyze the risk that illegal timber can enter into commercial production of hardwood lumber in US. The study is under way. (Copy of verification documents should be attached)
	The system shall verify legality only
Scheme to check for legality at the time of logging	Definition of legality
	Relevant laws
	Details of presumed illegal activities
	Procedures for retaining and verifying the evidence
Scheme to check for sustainability	Definition of sustainability
	Procedures for retaining and verifying the evidence
Scheme of separate custody management	Real picture of the dealings, from logging to export
	Procedure for ensuring separate custody management
Future Task and Perspectives	Criticisms against the system and recognition of problems
	Remediation procedure
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