

## PEFC Product Categories

### Context

The PEFC product categories are a key element in the implementation of the PEFC chain of custody by certified organisations and certification bodies. They define the PEFC product groups to which the chain of custody is applied and the scope of the chain of custody certificate. When checking the validity of a PEFC claim on a PEFC certified product, companies use the PEFC database to ensure the product is under the scope of their certified supplier.

Additionally, the categories serve as a tool for the promotion of certified products, with the list of product categories covered by a certified organisation available on the PEFC International website search engine.

Previously, the PEFC product categories were used on an informative basis, to keep track of the certified products produced by a certified company. Following the last revision of the PEFC chain of custody standards, the requirements for the scope of chain of custody certificates were harmonized, requiring certification bodies to include, under the certificate scope, the products covered by the chain of custody according to the PEFC product categories (see PEFC ST 2003:2020, requirement 7.7.2.d).

To update the list of product categories and provide an accurate reflection of the wide range of certified products made from forest or tree-based material, PEFC has revised the product categories published in 2012, based on feedback received from different stakeholders.

### Main changes

The list of categories has been extended to 202. Any category that existed in the previous version of the list has been maintained, either with the same name, or covered under a new name.

The main structure of the list of PEFC product categories remains the same. It is defined by a unique numeric code and the name of the corresponding category. The categories are still structured in three hierarchical levels from level 1 to 3, whereby the lowest available level must be used to define a product.

In addition to the 3 hierarchical levels, the last column provides a non-exhaustive list of examples of products in the corresponding categories.

### Implementation

This list is to be used for any certificates issued against the 2020 versions of the chain of custody standards, to define the scope of the certificate. For any certificates already issued against the 2020 versions of the PEFC standards, certification bodies need to verify the product and inform the corresponding PEFC authorised body of any updates that may be necessary to the PEFC database.

For certificates issued against the previous versions of the PEFC chain of custody standards, PEFC will automatically transfer the product information into the new categories. It is recommended that certification bodies start using the revised list when informing the corresponding PEFC authorised body of the products covered by an organisation still certified against the previous standards, using the notification reporting form.

As the products covered by a certified organisation may change within the validity of the certificate, it is recommended that certification bodies include the scope as an annex to the main certificate document, so it is easily modified, and/or that they refer to the PEFC database on the certificate for ultimate verification of the validity of the scope of any existing certificate (see also PEFC ST 2002:2020, requirement 5.1.2.1).

As per PEFC ST 2003:2020, requirement 7.7.7., certification bodies shall immediately inform the relevant PEFC National Governing Body, or the PEFC Council where the PEFC National Governing Body does not exist, when certification is granted, suspended, terminated, withdrawn, its scope is changed or any other changes affecting the certification or the information that certification bodies shall report to PEFC.

## Approval

This revised list of PEFC Product Categories was approved by the PEFC Chain of custody Working Group on the 15 October 2021.

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| <b>Level 1</b>                     | <b>Level 2</b>                          | <b>Level 3</b>                      | <b>Examples</b>                         |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| 010000 Roundwood                   | 010100 Sawlogs and veneer logs          |                                     |   |
|                                    | 010200 Pulpwood                         |                                     |   |
|                                    | 010300 Chips and particles              |                                     | Sawdust, sanding dust                   |
|                                    | 010400 Wood residues                    |                                     | Twigs, branches, tree tops, similars    |
|                                    | 010500 Bark                             |                                     |   |
|                                    | 010600 Other roundwood                  |                                     |   |
| 020000 Fuelwood and energy         | 020100 Fuelwood                         |                                     | Firewood, chips, sawdust, wood residues |
|                                    | 020200 Charcoal                         |                                     |   |
|                                    | 020300 Pellets and brickets             |                                     |   |
|                                    | 020400 Energy                           |                                     |   |
| 030000 Sawnwood and treated wood   | 030100 Sawnwood                         | 030101 Flitches, boules and slabs   |   |
|                                    |   | 030102 Solid wood boards and planks |   |
|                                    |   | 030103 Beams                        |   |
|                                    |   | 030104 Poles and piles              |   |
|                                    |   | 030105 Peeler cores                 |   |
|                                    |   | 030106 Pencil slat                  |   |
|                                    |   | 030107 Other sawnwood               |   |
|                                    | 030200 Railway sleepers / ties          |                                     |   |
| 030300 Impregnated or treated wood |   |                                     |   |
| 040000 Engineered wood products    | 040100 Cross Laminated Timber (CLT)     |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040200 Finger Jointed Lumber            |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040300 Glue Laminated Products (Glulam) |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040400 Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)    |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040500 Parallel Strand Lumber (PSL)     |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040600 I-Joists / I-Beams               |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040700 Trusses & Engineered Panels      |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040800 Scantlings                       |                                     |   |
|                                    | 040900 Composite board                  |                                     |   |
|                                    | 041000 Other engineered wood products   |                                     |   |

| Level 1                            | Level 2                          | Level 3   | Examples           |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| 050000 Wood based panels           | 050100 Veneer sheets             |   |                    |  |
|                                    | 050200 Plywood                   |   |                    |  |
|                                    | 050300 Blockboard                |   |                    |  |
|                                    | 050400 Panels for transportation |   | Container flooring |  |
|                                    | 050500 Particle board            | 050501 Chipboard                                    |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 050502 OSB  |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 050503 Other particle board                         |                    |  |
|                                    | 050600 Fibreboard                | 050601 Medium Density Fiberboard (MDF)              |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 050602 High Density Fiberboard (HDF)                |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 050603 Softboard and insulating board               |                    |  |
| 050700 Cement board                |                                  |   |                    |  |
| 050800 Other wood based panels     |                                  |   |                    |  |
| 060000 Wood manufacturers          | 060100 Wood packaging            | 060101 Packaging and crates                         |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060102 Cable drums                                  |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060103 Pallets                                      |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060104 Barrels, staves and other cooperage products |                    |  |
|                                    | 060200 Household goods           | 060201 Wooden frames                                |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060202 Brushes and handles                          |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060203 Kitchenware and similar utensils             |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060204 Hangers and clothes pegs                     |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060205 Matches                                      |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060206 Bathroom accessories                         | Toilet seats       |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060207 Ladders                                      |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060208 Wood based insect repellent                  | Mosquito coil      |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060209 Other household products                     |                    |  |
|                                    | 060300 Tools and turned wood     | 060301 Tools, DIY tools                             |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060302 Toys and games                               |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060303 Sport goods                                  |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060304 Musical instruments                          |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060305 Wooden stationery                            |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060306 Dowels                                       |                    |  |
|                                    |                                  | 060307 Decorative objects and art                   |                    |  |
| 060308 Jewellery and accessories   |                                  |   |                    |  |
| 060309 Ice cream / lolly sticks    |                                  |   |                    |  |
| 060310 Other tools and turned wood |                                  |   |                    |  |

| Level 1                  | Level 2                                      | Level 3                            | Examples  |
|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
|                          | 060400 Other manufactured wood               | 060401 Coffins                     |   |
|                          |  | 060402 Others                      |   |
| 070000 Indoor Furniture  | 070100 Tables                                |                                    |   |
|                          | 070200 Chairs and stools                     |                                    |   |
|                          | 070300 Sofas and armchairs                   |                                    |   |
|                          | 070400 Benches                               |                                    |   |
|                          | 070500 Bedroom Furniture                     |                                    | Beds, bedsteads, headboards, bed bases                            |
|                          | 070600 Storage systems and units             |                                    | Drawer sections, wardrobes, shelves, cupboard, cabinet, bookcases |
|                          | 070700 Kitchen units and worktops            |                                    |   |
|                          | 070800 Office furniture                      |                                    |   |
|                          | 070900 Educational / Institutional furniture |                                    |   |
|                          | 071000 Hospital and Care sector Furniture    |                                    |   |
|                          | 071100 Childrens Furniture                   |                                    |   |
|                          | 071200 Custom Furniture                      |                                    |   |
|                          | 071300 Furniture components                  |                                    |   |
| 071400 Other furniture   |  |                                    |   |
| 080000 Exterior products | 080100 Garden Furniture / Outdoor Products   | 080101 Garden furniture            | Tables, chairs, benches, hammocks                                 |
|                          |  | 080102 Playground equipment        |   |
|                          |  | 080103 Decking and garden sleepers |   |
|                          | 080200 Lanscaping Timbers                    | 080201 Garden sheds                |   |
|                          |  | 080202 Trellis and plant support   |   |
|                          |  | 080203 Fencing material            |   |
|                          |  | 080204 Pergolas                    |   |
|                          |  | 080205 Garden storage              |   |
|                          | 080300 Street furniture                      |                                    |   |
|                          | 080400 Other exterior products               |                                    |   |

| Level 1   | Level 2   | Level 3                                      | Examples                                   |
|---|---|--|--|
| 090000 Wooden Buildings and construction material | 090100 General Wooden Buildings and constructions             | 090101 Wooden House building                 |  |
|   |   | 090102 Other wooden building                 |  |
|   |   | 090103 Wooden bridge                         |  |
|   |   | 090104 Wooden Ship                           |  |
|   |   | 090105 Other Wooden construction             |  |
|   | 090200 Integrated Parts of Wooden Buildings and constructions | 090201 Exterior                              |  |
|   |   | 090202 Structure                             |  |
|   |   | 090203 Roof                                  |  |
|   |   | 090204 Wall                                  |  |
|   |   | 090205 Floor                                 |  |
|   |   | 090206 Interior                              |  |
|   | 090300 Wood material for construction                         | 090301 Windows                               |  |
|   |   | 090302 Doors                                 |  |
|   |   | 090303 Shingles and shakes                   |  |
|   |   | 090304 Flooring                              |  |
|   |   | 090305 Architectural joinery items           | Mouldings, skirting boards and architraves |
|   |   | 090306 Engineered Bridge Components          |  |
| 090307 Other wood material for construction       |   |  |  |
| 100000 Pulp                                       | 100100 Mechanical pulp  |  |  |
|   | 100200 Semichemical pulp                                      |  |  |
|   | 100300 Dissolving pulp and derivatives                        | 100301 cellulosic fibre from dissolving pulp |  |
|   |   | 100302 cellulosic yarn                       |  |
|   |   | 100303 cellulosic textile                    |  |
|   |   | 100304 Apparel                               |  |
|   |   | 100305 non-wovens fabrics                    |  |
|   |   | 100306 Regenerated cellulose film            | Cellophane                                 |
|   | 100400 Chemical pulp  | 100401 Unbleached sulphite pulp              |  |
|   |   | 100402 Bleached sulphite pulp                |  |
|   |   | 100403 Unbleached sulphate (kraft) pulp      |  |
|   |   | 100404 Bleached sulphate (kraft) pulp        |  |
|   |   | 100405 Fluff pulp                            |  |
|   | 100500 Pulp from recycled material                            |  |  |
| 100600 Other Pulp and derivatives                 |   |  |  |

| Level 1                      | Level 2                             | Level 3  | Examples                           |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 110000 Paper and paper board | 110100 Graphic papers               | 110101 Newsprint paper                                   |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110102 Uncoated mechanical papers                        | Supercalendered Magazine Paper     |
|                              |                                     | 110103 Coated mechanical papers                          |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110104 Woodfree papers (coated and uncoated)             |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110105 Paper for blank forms                             |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110106 Paper for tickets                                 |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110107 Other graphic papers                              |                                    |
|                              | 110200 Printed matter               | 110201 Books   |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110202 Book covers                                       |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110203 Magazines and Newspaper                           |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110204 Paper toys and games                              |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110205 Marketing collateral                              | Brochures, flyers, business cards  |
|                              |                                     | 110206 Calendars, diaries and organisers                 |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110207 Point-of-sales materials                          | Standees, danglers                 |
|                              |                                     | 110208 Other printed matter                              |                                    |
|                              | 110300 Household and sanitary paper | 110301 Tissues products                                  |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110302 Toilet paper / bathroom tissue                    |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110303 Greaseproof paper for baking                      |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110304 Kitchen paper                                     |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110305 Tablecloths and napkins                           |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110306 Paper dinnerware                                  |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110307 Sanitary products                                 | Tampons, towels, diapers           |
|                              |                                     | 110308 Medical supplies                                  | Masks, paper gowns                 |
|                              |                                     | 110309 Wet wipes   |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110310 Other household and sanitary paper                |                                    |
|                              | 110400 Packaging materials          | 110401 Case materials and corrugated and Solid Fiber Box |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110402 Cartonboard, Folding boxboards                    |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110403 Wrapping papers                                   | Kraft, grease paper, gift wrapping |
|                              |                                     | 110404 Sacks and Paper bags                              |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110405 Food and beverages packaging                      |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110406 Multipack holders                                 |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110407 Flexible paper packaging                          |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110408 Paper trays, containers, cups                     |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110409 Shredded paper                                    |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110410 Egg boxes and similar                             |                                    |
|                              |                                     | 110411 Other papers mainly for packaging                 |                                    |

| Level 1                               | Level 2                           | Level 3                                    | Examples  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
|                                       | 110500 Stationery Products        | 110501 Notebooks                           |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110502 Pads                                |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110503 File folders                        |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110504 Rolled thermal paper                |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110505 Post and greeting cards             |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110506 Envelopes                           |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110507 Gummed papers                       |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110508 Adhesive labels                     |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110509 Postage stamps                      |   |
|                                       | 110600 Other paper and paperboard | 110601 Cigarette paper                     |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110602 Envelope paper                      |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110603 Filter paper                        |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110604 Insulating paper                    |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110605 Impregnated paper                   |   |
|                                       |                                   | 110606 Wallpaper and wallpaper base        |   |
| 110700 Other converted paper products |                                   |  |   |
| 120000 Non-wood products              | 120100 Cork and cork products     | 120101 Natural cork, raw or boiled         |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120102 Cork stoppers                       | Natural, technical, colmated, agglomerated, bartop cork, sparkling wine and champagne cork stoppers |
|                                       |                                   | 120103 Cork disks                          |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120104 Rolls and panels of compressed cork |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120105 Cork particles                      | Granules, dust  |
|                                       |                                   | 120106 Cork for construction               | Floors, doors, buildings and their parts  |
|                                       |                                   | 120107 Other articles of cork              |   |
|                                       | 120200 Rubber / Latex             | 120201 Natural rubber                      |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120202 Tyres                               |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120203 Foam                                |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120204 Gloves                              |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120205 Rubber footwear                     |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120206 Other rubber products               |   |
|                                       | 120300 Food                       | 120301 Honey                               |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120302 Mushrooms and truffles              |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120303 Fruits, berries and nuts            |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120304 Syrups                              |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120305 Game and other animals              |   |
|                                       |                                   | 120306 Other edible products               |   |



| Level 1               | Level 2  | Level 3         | Examples |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------|----------|
|                       | 120400 Resins and its derivatives                |                 |          |
|                       | 120500 Essential oils                            |                 |          |
|                       | 120600 Rattan and other natural fibers           | 120601 Natural  |          |
|                       |  | 120602 Products |          |
|                       | 120700 Plants and their parts                    |                 |          |
|                       | 120800 Chemical, medicinal and cosmetic products |                 |          |
|                       | 120900 Other non-wood products                   |                 |          |
| 130000 Other products |  |                 |          |