



## FSC® Policy Statement

Ashford Colour Press, a printing business specialising in providing high quality printed materials to a blue chip client base in the educational, journal and media manual sectors based in Gosport, Hampshire.

We recognise the responsibilities we have to our employees, customers, suppliers and the wider communities in which we live and work as well as the environment as a whole. We are committed to the responsible procurement of paper for our print activities including complying with the corresponding FSC (Forest Stewardship Council®) Standards, FSC-STD-40-004 (for Chain of Custody Certification) and our self declaration regarding FSC-POL-01-004 (Policy for the Association of Organisations with FSC).

To achieve this Ashford Colour Press Ltd shall

- Train employees and maintain training records for people who could influence the FSC system from procurement of paper through to invoicing.
- Control the sourcing of FSC-certified paper and operate a responsible procurement policy, maintaining Chain of custody.
- Comply with FSC-STD-50-001 and the requirements for use of the FSC trademarks by Certificate Holders.

Ashford Colour Press shall not knowingly be directly or indirectly involved the following unacceptable activities

- Illegal logging or the trade in illegal wood or forest products
- Violation of traditional and human rights in forestry operations
- Destruction of high conservation values in forestry operations
- Introduction of genetically modified organisms in forestry operations

We will not knowingly be involved directly or indirectly with any activities that are in violation of any of the ILO (International Labour Organisation) Core Conventions as defined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights of Work. For clarity these core conventions are:-

- Elimination of forced and compulsory labour
- Abolition of child labour
- Elimination or discrimination in respect of employment and occupation, and
- Freedom of association and collective bargaining.

**The above is complemented by our company Policy Statements including:-**

- **Quality, Environment and Sustainability**
- **H&S Policy**
- **CSR & Ethics including Anti Bribery & Corruption**
- **Anti Slavery and Human Trafficking.**

Additionally we are committed to occupational health, safety and welfare of our employees, customers and visitors to our Gosport site.

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Director

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[This policy is made available to relevant interested parties externally on our website and internally through training and awareness programmes.](#)