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LEED - Ecological Performance of Kronoswiss Products

The mission statement of Kronospan Schweiz AG obligates us to sustainability in all our activities. Therefore the whole supply chain is relayed on ecological criteria and so are the fabrication processes.

The procurement of wood for our Kronoswiss Products focuses exclusively on well managed forests in Switzerland's perimeter – fresh wood from forest corporations and saw mill residues (pre consumer recycled). All our sources are regularly proofed to exclude non controlled wood. In the year 1999 we have been worldwide the first manufacturer of laminated flooring to receive FSC certification. Nowadays all our products are available with 100% FSC Certification, mixed sources.

To reduce energy inputs and CO2-emissions in our fabrication processes, we early started to build up an environmental management system and are ISO 14001 certified since 1998. Our ongoing efforts to substitute fossil oil and gas with renewable energy sources (post consumer recycled wood) result in the fact that our products are fabricated almost free of CO2-emissions.

We are proud to operate one of the most modern factories for derived timber products worldwide and of our high quality Kronoswiss products which display an exclusive standard of ecological performance (sourced from well managed forests, low energy inputs, fabrication nearly CO2 free, latest technology to clean air pollution, recycling management with customers and suppliers).

Finally Kronoswiss products fulfill the criteria of Green Building Systems in the best way – such as LEED – as predestined partner for any projects.



FSC since 1999 - Wood from well managed forests



Swiss Wood - Label of origin for our procurement



CO2-Management since 2000: Improve energy efficiency and reduce CO2 emissions



Environmental Management System since 1998 – coordination of all activities to realize the strategy of sustainability

Facts and Figures:

- All Kronoswiss Products are made on the basis of fresh wood from well managed forests. As a result of that all our products do not run into the risk of having problematic contents such as heavy metal from post consumer recycled goods.
- We strictly verify all our sources/suppliers on the origin and sustainability of its wood.
- We support a sustainable forestry management and saw mill industry by using their fresh wood products. This keeps the Swiss forests healthy and variegated - in Swiss forests the harvesting is smaller than the growth.
- The Kronoswiss Products contain the following percentages of **pre consumer recycled wood** (saw mill residues)¹:
 - a. **Particle Boards / Furniture: 30%** (saw dust, wood chips)
 - b. **Fiber Boards / Flooring: 62%** (wood chips, splinter)

¹ Percentage quota from fabrication report for period of 2010