



CORPORATE POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of Variety Woods and Greenheart Ltd (VWL) to contribute to national development by maintaining the highest standards of responsibility and to observe all legislation relevant to forest management and timber processing in Guyana.

- ♦ The company endeavours to be a responsible corporate citizen of the highest level according to the laws and regulations set out by the Government of Guyana.
- ♦ The company is committed to implement Sustainable Forest Management practices as guided by the mandate of the Guyana Forestry Commission (GFC) to maximise the environmental, social and economic benefits of the operation to Guyana.
- ♦ To follow sound ethical management practices in all areas of the operation.
- ♦ The company promotes the highest health and safety standards and practices for all workers and contractors affiliated with the company.
- ♦ The company respects all legally held Amerindian lands and ensures that its operations are conducted without disturbing the land or people who are entrusted with the rights to that land.
- ♦ The company supports the improvement of hinterland communities by offering employment to skilled and unskilled residents and emergency assistance.
- ♦ The company recognises that as the stewards to the land it has been awarded by the Government of Guyana, it has responsibility for ensuring that any negative effect of forest operations on wildlife within its concessions are appropriately mitigated to maintain biodiversity levels and ensure the long term health of the ecosystem.
- ♦ The company is committed to ensuring that all third party material purchased has been sourced from forests that have been verified by the Guyana Forestry Commission (GFC) as legally operating according to the rules and regulations of Guyana for forest management.
- ♦ The company further commits to segregate all timber purchased from forests which are not Third Party Verified until such time that all timber sourced is from verified, legally managed forests.

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