

Better Window Manufacturer Explains the Difference between FSC-Certified Wood and SFI-Certified Wood

Intus Windows, a leader in energy efficient windows and “green” construction, says that FSC and SFI are the two green certifications that you should know about

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- According to Aurimas Sabulis, managing director of Intus Windows (<http://www.intuswindows.com/>), a worldwide leader in the manufacture of energy efficient windows and LEED certified construction, anyone that is shopping for wood countertops, cabinets, windows, or doors, should understand the differences between FSC-Certified Wood and SFI-Certified Wood.

“Wood that is stamped with the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) logo has been harvested sustainably,” Sabulis says. “Many people looking for windows and doors want a sustainable product and at Intus, we recommend that they look Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification.”

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Within the United States FSC certification is the best indicator that the wood used in a product was harvested sustainably. The Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) certification is also helpful, though the qualifications for SFI certification are less stringent.

“SFI certification is a good alternative for some people who cannot easily obtain [FSC certified products](#) for whatever reason,” Sabulis. “Customers can rest assured that both

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According to Intus, responsible forest management entails:

- Protecting fragile ecosystems.
- Respecting native cultures and economies.
- Preventing illegal logging.



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- Restricting clear-cutting and pesticide use.
- Ensuring that the wood really came from a forest that has been certified.

Sabulis says that anyone interested in using sustainable wood products in their home or as part of their next construction project should ask their retailer or cabinetmaker about the certified wood options that are available or if they have any that are ready-made. Customers can also use the FSC or SFI online product database to select a retailer that carries certified wood products.

Sometimes, FSC and [SFI certified wood](#) products can cost more money and Intus recommends that the customer comparison shop by visiting wood product suppliers locally and doing comparison research online as well.

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