

Ahlstrom's EUDR Information

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Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 on deforestation-free products (EUDR) sets a European legal framework to halt and reverse EU-driven global deforestation based on mandatory due diligence. It entered into force on 29th June 2023, and we are currently in the transition period before it becomes applicable on 30th December 2026 for medium and large operators. Sourced wood and products derived from virgin wood fibre are in scope of this Regulation.

EUDR Overview

The Regulation applies to companies that place relevant products on the EU market or export them from the EU market and to companies that trade ("make available") relevant products on the EU market (Article 1.1). The EUDR covers seven commodities, including wood, pulp and paper products with HS codes in the 47 and 48 series.

According to EUDR Article 3, relevant commodities and relevant products shall not be placed or made available on the market or exported, unless all the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (a) they are deforestation-free. Meaning that the relevant products contain or are made from commodities that were produced on land that has not been subject to deforestation after 31st December 2020, and that the wood has been harvested from the forest without inducing forest degradation after 31 December 2020 (Art. 2.13).
- (b) they have been produced in accordance with the relevant legislation of the country of production; and
- (c) they are covered by a due diligence statement.

The European Commission has announced a one-year delay for large and medium enterprises until the 30th December 2026 and 18 months for micro-and small enterprises. It also proposes the simplification of declaration obligations and reduced responsibilities for downstream operators and traders once the EUDR relevant commodity or its derived product receives deforestation-free status. The streamlining and simplification of obligation clarification is expected in April 2026.

The Commission also announced that the Traces IT system will be temporarily unavailable from 16th February until mid-April, meaning that no Due Diligence Statements can be generated during this period.

Ahlstrom continues the implementation of the Osapiens EUDR software, but as the streamlining and simplification of obligation impact is not yet fully known, some adjustments to our implementation plan may be needed. We will communicate this in due course and as soon as possible.

Ahlstrom's customers will be provided with information that is obligated when Ahlstrom is the first operator or if we are supplying customers in third countries (non-EU).

If you are a customer or supplier of Ahlstrom and would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact your sales contact.

You can find more information about the [Regulation on Deforestation-free Products](#) and the [Implementation of the EU Deforestation Regulation](#) on the European Commission website.