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### Information

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Dear Sir or Madam,

As you know, the HARO parquet floors are 100% PEFC certified.

To permanently guarantee the high share of 100%, a share of forest land in the areas of origin, such as Germany, that is almost as high would also have to be certified according to the PEFC regulations. This is unfortunately not the case.

According to the 2016 PEFC Annual Report, only about 66.7% of forest land in Germany is currently certified according to the PEFC regulations (see attachment).

For us, this means we need to adjust our PEFC statement and replace "PEFC 100%" with "PEFC certified".

The status "PEFC certified" will therefore be used in future in connection with PEFC certification for HARO parquet floors.

This directly results from the facts concerning the proportion of forest areas certified according to the PEFC regulations. Since we mainly source the wood we use from sustainably managed forest areas in Germany, we are also unable to guarantee a significantly higher PEFC share than that which is available in the forest areas of Germany.

In addition to the voluntary PEFC certification, we confirm that we meet the requirements of the EU Timber Regulation No 995/2010 that applies in Germany and also the European Union. The scope of the regulation covers timber and timber products as well as parquet and laminate flooring placed on the market in the European Union.

All companies that place timber and timber products on the market are required to exercise the due diligence system emanating from the EU Timber Regulation when they purchase timber. This means that only timber and timber products from legal sources are allowed to be placed on the market.

We at Hamberger Flooring GmbH & Co. KG already introduced the due diligence system in 2013 and have met the requirements of the EU Timber Regulation since that time.

If you would like further information or have any queries, please contact Markus Beer by phone at +49 (0) 8031/700-166 or by e-mail at [m.beer@hamberger.de](mailto:m.beer@hamberger.de).

Best regards,  
Hamberger Flooring GmbH & Co. KG



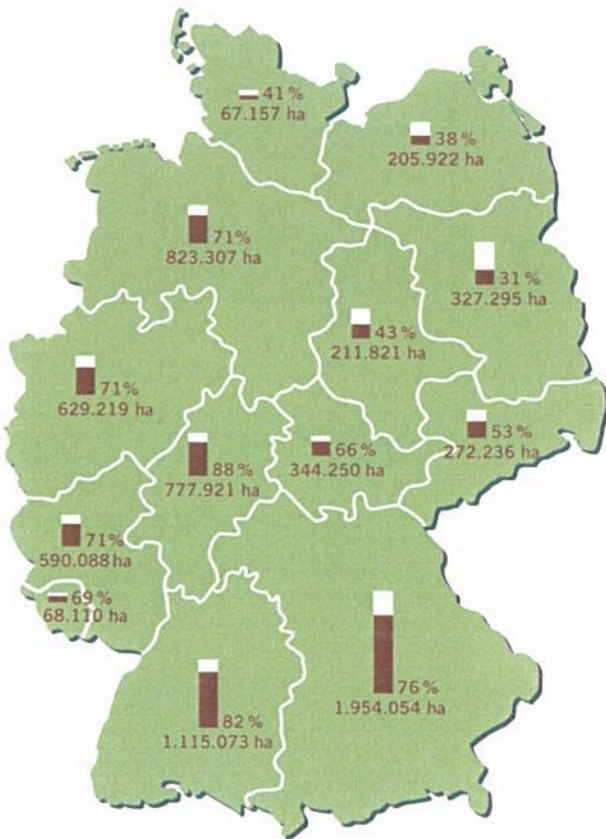
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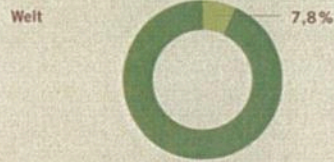
Attachment:  
Excerpt from the PEFC Annual Report on certified forest areas in Germany

Attachment: Excerpt from the 2016 PEFC Annual Report on PEFC-certified forest areas in Germany



■ Region mit gültigem Zertifikat  
 Gesamtwaldfläche  
 PEFC-zertifizierte Fläche, Angaben in % und ha  
 PEFC-Fläche gesamt: 7.386.453 ha (66,7 % der Waldfläche in Deutschland)  
 Stand: Dezember 2016

PEFC-zertifizierte Waldfläche



Gesamt: 3.869,5 Mio. ha  
PEFC: 301,5 Mio. ha



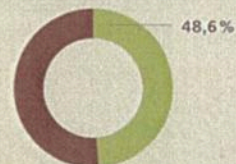
Gesamt: 191,4 Mio. ha (ohne Russland)  
PEFC: 81,6 Mio. ha



Gesamt: 11,1 Mio. ha  
PEFC: 7,3 Mio. ha



Davon werden in Deutschland jedes Jahr kontrolliert:



Kontrollierte Fläche 2016 absolut: 3,5 Mio. ha

**Die Kontrolle der PEFC-Standards 2016**

Im Jahr 2016 waren die Auditoren auf einer Fläche von 3.589.511 Hektar unterwegs. Dies entspricht einem Anteil von ca. 48,6% der PEFC-zertifizierten Waldfläche in Deutschland und zeigt, dass die PEFC-Zertifizierung kein Selbstläufer, sondern an regelmäßige und strenge Überwachungen gebunden ist. Ziel der Audits ist es, Standardverstöße zu identifizieren, aber auch, wie in den meisten Fällen, positive Aspekte der Bewirtschaftung aufzuzeigen und die vorbildliche und standardkonforme Vorgehensweise zu bestätigen.