

# BES 6001 CERTIFICATION

**BES 6001 is an independent, third-party certification scheme designed to enable manufactured products to be assessed and certified as being responsibly sourced. Responsible Sourcing of Construction Products is demonstrated through an ethos of supply chain management and product stewardship and encompasses social, economic and environmental dimensions.**



## Background

BES 6001 is recognized by the BREEAM family of certification schemes and the Code for Sustainable Homes where credits can be awarded for construction products independently certified through the BES 6001 Framework Standard.

BES 6001 is relevant to any organization that manufactures construction products from foundation products such as cement and steel to concrete pipes, blocks, windows, flooring, roof tiles, plastics, and wood products.

Consumers are increasingly concerned about where the products they are buying come from. Highly visible responsible sourcing schemes are now established and recognised world-side, such as Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance, Marine Stewardship Council, FSC, PEFC etc.

## Building Material Certification

### BES 6001- The Framework Standard for Responsible Sourcing

The standard describes a framework for the organisational governance, supply chain management, and environmental and social aspects that must be addressed in order to ensure the responsible sourcing of construction products.

Independent, third party assessment and certification against the requirements of BES 6001 give an organisation the ability to prove implementation of an effective system for responsible sourcing and the added credibility to product claims made.

## Benefits

The key benefit of having products certified to BES 6001 include:

- Minimising risk within your product supply chain;
- Demonstrate corporate reputation and leadership
- Securing additional credits within both BREEAM and the Code for Sustainable Homes;
- Providing vital product differentiation and market advantage for certified products; and,
- Delivering a route to benchmark and achieve continuous improvement regarding the sustainability of construction products.

Intertek is one of only six organisations licensed by BRE Global Ltd. to provide certification services for the BES 6001 standard. Intertek's responsible sourcing and supply chain experts will assess your organisations programs, protocols and operations for alignment with the standard. This includes a facility audit and report with recommended corrective action.

In order to secure basic Pass level of certification, Intertek will address organisational and supply chain management, with a focus on environmental, social and governance operations. Additional points can be scored to achieve Good, Very Good and Excellent levels of certification within the BES 6001 standard.

Responsible sourcing through the BES 6001 standard requires continued improvement and recertification. Intertek will support ongoing maintenance with staff training, ongoing updates to the standard, and access to expert resources for advice and guidance.

Once certified all materials are listed in the BRE Global on-line service Green Book Live enabling specifiers to compare and select those products and materials with the best responsible sourcing performance.


## The Intertek Advantage

With Intertek's range of complimentary services such as Life Cycle Analysis, Modern Slavery Review and Compliance, Procurement Strategy and Policy Development, Environmental, H&S and Quality Management, Building material analysis, GHG reporting, Energy Auditing and Green Claim Management, Intertek can take care of all your sustainability needs under one roof.

Intertek's team of experts are qualified to support project teams manage requirements for sustainable building certification schemes. From BREEAM, LEED, WELL Building Standard to regulatory requirements and many more, Intertek's knowledgeable staff can ensure your product meets the market demands for sustainable evaluation or certification.

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