

The EU Regulation on deforestation-free products (EUDR)

What is the EUDR?

- The <u>EU Regulation on deforestation-free products (EUDR)</u> aims to ensure that a set of key products traded, used and consumed in the EU do not contribute to deforestation or forest degradation.
- The EUDR entered into force on 29 June 2023 and after a transition period, the rules will start to apply on 30 December 2024.
- Under the Regulation, any operator or trader who places products in scope of the EUDR on the EU market, or exports from it, must be able to prove that the products do not originate from deforested land or have contributed to forest degradation.
- The traceability of raw materials and products along the supply chains will be
 documented using the administration system (Information System) being established by
 the European Commission, with reference numbers (Due Diligence Statement and
 Verification numbers). These references trace back the raw material along the supply
 chain, demonstrating that all due diligence steps have been performed, as required by
 the EUDR.

Which products does the EUDR apply to?

- The products in scope of the EUDR are beef, wood, cocoa, soy, palm oil, coffee, rubber, and some of their derived products, such as leather, chocolate, tires, or furniture. The full list of commodities and products in scope are described in the Annex I of the Regulation, using HS Codes (product codes used by customs).
- The Regulation applies only to products listed in Annex I ('in scope'). Products not included in Annex I are not subject to the requirements of the Regulation ('not in scope'), even if they contain relevant commodities of products in the scope of the Regulation. For example, soap will not be covered by the Regulation, even if it contains palm oil. Similarly, cars with leather seats or natural rubber tires are not subject to the requirements of the Regulation.

I am purchasing products from Flint Group, are my products in scope of the EUDR?

- If manufactured in the European Union, all raw materials which are in scope of the EUDR will be purchased by Flint Group in accordance with the requirements of the Regulation.
- The printing inks and varnishes manufactured by Flint Group are outside the scope of the EUDR.
 These products are therefore not subject to the Regulation and you will not have to perform any further action with regards to the Regulation when purchasing these products from us.

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Note: the Regulation foresees that the list of relevant products and product descriptions in scope of the EUDR may be amended by the Commission in the future.