

G.F Smith

The Environment

Our Papers

We are proud to confirm that all G . F Smith papers have a low environmental impact in their manufacture, and many carry specific environmental accreditations, which are detailed in our Selector and on the product specification sheets available on request.

FSC

In paper terms, the key environmental concern is the source. We are pleased to verify that many of G . F Smith's ranges, including Colorplan and most of our Smooth and Textured papers, are certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). This means that they are made with, or contain, pulp that comes from FSC well-managed forests, and follows a certified chain of custody that tracks the timber through every stage in the supply chain from the forest to the final user.

Chlorine

Another key issue is the bleaching of pulp. Nearly all G . F Smith papers made from virgin fibre are either classified as Elemental Chlorine-Free (ECF), or Totally Chlorine-Free (TCF), which means the bleaching process avoids the use of harmful Chlorine, or avoids the use of Chlorine altogether.

Windpower

The paper industry as a whole is one of the largest users of renewable energy, and G . F Smith's sources are no exception. For example, our Mohawk papers are made using Windpower, whereby all the electricity used in the manufacturing process is offset by clean, renewable wind power. This means that such products can be classified Carbon Neutral.

Recycled Paper

In the main we promote papers made from virgin pulp, sourced from forests where trees are replaced or allowed to regenerate naturally, but we also look out for good recycled papers too. Several G . F Smith ranges include stocks that are wholly, or partly, manufactured from post consumer waste (PCW).