Delve into the core criteria of the Responsible Sourcing Scheme, ensuring transparency and commitment to better practices across the board.



## POLLUTION

## What's Covered?

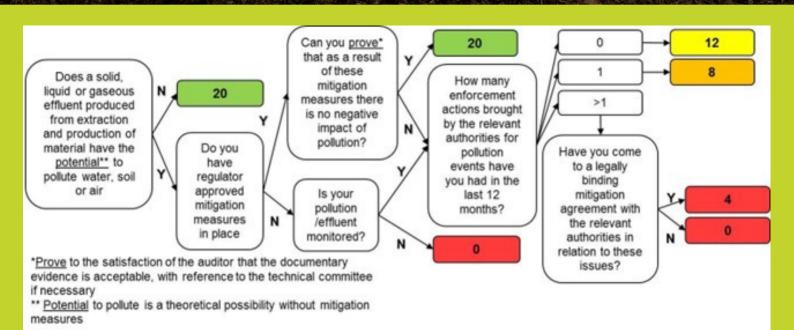
- Pollution scoring includes the life cycle stages of extraction/growing, harvest, processing, production, and the start of the mixing system.
- It encompasses solid pollutants (including dust), liquid (like fuel spillages), and gaseous emissions (including odours).
- Specific materials like coir pith, cork, wood-based materials, anaerobic digestate from energy crops, and oilseed rape straw have designated starting points for impact assessment.

## **Evidence Needed:**

- A supply chain map that identifies sources of all materials and potential pollution hotspots.
- Quantitative details of pollutants and any required mitigation measures.
- Regulatory approvals and confirmations of mitigation measures.
- Monitoring records and documentation of no negative impact.
- Records of enforcement actions and details of legally binding mitigation agreements.

## Ways to Improve:

- Reduce and control effluent levels, with demonstrable results and regulatory approval.
- Proactively monitor discharges to ensure no negative impacts occur.



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