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## 1. Policy Statement

At Cafea UK Ltd, we recognize the urgent need to halt deforestation and ecosystem conversion linked to agricultural commodity production. We are committed to ensuring that all coffee and cocoa sourced for our products are free from deforestation and conversion of natural ecosystems by 31 December 2025.

## 2. Scope

This policy applies to all coffee and cocoa products we source, pack, manufacture, and sell—including instant coffee, roast & ground coffee, and cocoa-containing beverages—across all markets and supply chains.

## 3. Commodity Focus

- Coffee: Sourced globally from coffee-producing regions
- Cocoa: Sourced globally from cocoa-producing regions

## 4. Commitments

Cafea UK Ltd commits to:

- Sourcing only deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) coffee and cocoa by 31 December 2025.
- Ensuring all suppliers of coffee and cocoa are compliant with the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) by the deadline.
- Increasing our certified sustainable coffee (Rainforest Alliance, Fairtrade) from 80% to 100% by 2026.
- Working only with suppliers who can demonstrate traceability to farm or equivalent geolocation data, in line with EUDR expectations.

## 5. Definitions

- Deforestation-Free: No deforestation has occurred after 31 December 2020 on land used to produce our raw materials.
- Conversion-Free: No conversion of natural ecosystems (e.g., savannahs, wetlands) for agricultural use after 31 December 2020.
- Natural Ecosystems: Forests, wetlands, grasslands, or other ecosystems with high biodiversity value and ecological integrity.




## 6. Supplier Expectations


We require all suppliers to:

- Provide full traceability of raw materials to source (farm or first aggregation point).
- Share evidence of deforestation- and conversion-free practices, including risk assessments and due diligence records.
- Comply with Cafea UK's DCF policy and the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) by end of 2025.
- Cooperate in third-party audits or verification schemes when necessary.

## 7. Monitoring and Verification

- We will implement systems to monitor compliance, including supplier self-assessments, documentation reviews, and independent third-party verification as appropriate.
- Non-compliance may result in remediation requirements or reconsideration of commercial relationships.

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8. Transparency and Reporting

- We will report annually on progress toward our DCF targets.
- Updates will be shared with customers, stakeholders, and certification bodies.

9. Continuous Improvement

We are committed to working collaboratively with suppliers, industry bodies, and NGOs to support sustainable agricultural practices, smallholder inclusion, and ecosystem conservation.

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