















2007/08 National



products catalogue

Introducing an exciting new range of EU compliant sustainable products that meets the high priority areas of the Government's Sustainable Procurement Task Force strategy



...all public sector organisations can purchase from the catalogue...





How to use this catalogue

Please send your orders and enquiries directly to the suppliers, quoting the relevant contract number printed at the top of each page.

This catalogue is available to all Local Authorities and other public sector bodies in the UK.

The products and services are all EU compliant.

The contracts have been awarded in such a way that all customers deal directly with the nominated suppliers detailed on each page.

Prices are fixed until 31st March 2008 after which time refer to: **http://www.espo.org/sustainable** for updated information.

Some of the products and services are 'solution' based and require site visits by suppliers to determine what is actually required and therefore prices cannot always be provided on the page.

- Invoices will be sent directly to you.
- If you have any feedback or comments, please send them to ESPO in the first instance, who will direct the comments to the appropriate consortia or deal with it directly.

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Produced by ESPO in conjunction with Global To Local on behalf of the Pro 4 group of consortia:











Making the right procurement decisions can have far reaching environmental, economic and social impacts. The volume of public sector procurement in the UK is sufficiently large for it to be seen as an area that can help tackle a wide range of central policy issues, provided the right goods and services are procured.

The action plan produced by the Government's **Sustainable Procurement Task Force** identified a number of key commodity groups which would have the widest sustainability impact, and which would produce a step change in sustainable public sector procurement.

The aim is to put the UK among the leaders in the EU by 2009.

The product groups that have been chosen for this edition of the catalogue relate as far as possible to these commodity groups with some additional areas included. Eventually it is hoped that all groups as far as they lend themselves to a catalogue of products and services will be represented.

All products in the catalogue have been chosen following a series of EU compliant tenders and the products are therefore available to all buyers in the public sector without the need for further tendering.

The specifications for the products are based as far as possible on recognised environmental standards such as key criteria from eco labels. We have endeavoured to ensure that the specifications reflect market availability whilst excluding production processes and products that are environmentally unsound.

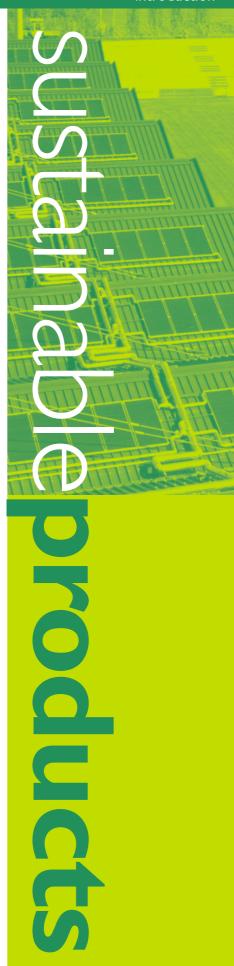
The process of selecting products for the catalogue includes setting rigorous environmental standards; for example Nordic Swan, Clear Skies, WRAP endorsement, Forestry Stewardship Council and other relevant benchmark eco-labels.

In some cases suppliers have exceeded the criteria laid down within the specifications.

Prices quoted are firm until end March 2008 after which time refer to: **http://www.espo.org/sustainable** for updated information.

The catalogue will be developed and grow as the market for more sustainable products matures.

Please remember that grants are available to public sector and charitable bodies under the Low Carbon Buildings Programme. Please see: www.lowcarbonbuildingsphase2.org.uk



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The Sustainable Procurement Task Force was driven by the UK Government's 2005 Sustainable Development Strategy, which was the driving force for the goal of making the UK a leader in EU sustainable procurement by 2009. For this to happen, it concluded that a systematic effort would be needed to mainstream sustainable procurement. The perceived benefits would be better stewardship of taxpayers' money; environmental and social benefits; public sector support for innovation and encouragement for more environmentally-friendly technologies.

The logic behind recycling and energy saving initiatives is simple.

We can save large amounts of energy and materials by making sure that wherever possible we buy old products which have been given a new life. Also, by saving energy we cut the demand to produce more, and we will need to rely less on non-renewable energy sources which pollute the atmosphere and cause global warming. What we need to do is to reduce our demand for products by using less, reuse wherever we can, and recycle old products where new ones are needed.

The catalogue aims to assist this process by offering energy saving devices and recycled products.

As a customer you have a role to play in this process.

You can use the information in the catalogue to inform your choice. Wherever possible you can use your buying power to buy the products we have included which will assist the process of reducing the impacts of global warming and putting the UK at the forefront of sustainable purchasing.

By carrying out a rigorous procurement process we have already competitively tendered on your behalf.

We will be expanding the catalogue to include more sustainable products with an emphasis on providing more choice from the key commodity groups identified by the Sustainable Procurement Task Force

Consortia participating in the procurement supporting the catalogue are:

Central Buying Consortium (CBC), Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO), North Eastern Purchasing Organisation (NEPO) West Mercia Supplies (WMS)

But it is not just local authority and other public bodies within the catchment served by these organisations who will benefit. All public sector organisations can purchase from the catalogue and gain the environmental and financial benefits which our buying power can offer them. We rely on you not just to ensure the catalogue's continuing success by buying its products, but by informing colleagues around the country who are not covered by the above consortia that they are welcome to benefit.

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