



**B&Q Guidance note:
Sourcing from conflict
zones and occupied
territories**

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Introduction

Sourcing products from conflict areas and occupied territories when the products are manufactured and sold by the occupying force has significant implications from a compliance perspective and for the reputation and integrity of the B&Q brand.

Aim(s)

Our aim is to ensure that no products sold by B&Q are sourced from conflict zones and/or occupied territories in contravention of the various International and National Conventions the United Kingdom and Republic Of Ireland Governments have signed. Particular emphasis will be placed on ensuring any B&Q or Kingfisher branded products meet these requirements.

Rules

- Work with our suppliers to identify which, if any, products are manufactured in countries associated with conflict/occupation (e.g. Afghanistan / Israel) and seek confirmation that the product (at any stage) has not been made by a company operating in the conflict zone / occupied territories (e.g. Western Sahara; Gaza, West Bank and Golan Heights);
- Put in place exit strategies for the product and/or supplier where progress to our aim, over a defined period, is not achieved; and
- Ensure that our suppliers continue to meet the requirements of the B&Q Code of Conduct for Supply Chains.

Reporting Requirements and Key Performance Indicators

- B&Q's corporate responsibility team will manage this data.

Linked Policies

2013 Kingfisher Code of Conduct for Factory Working Conditions.

Further Reading

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Pages/WelcomePage.aspx>

<http://www.ihrb.org/>

<http://www.globalwitness.org/>

<http://www.corporatewatch.org/>