

■ ECO-FRIENDLY, GREEN FURNITURE - WHAT IS FSC CERTIFICATION? WHAT IS FSC?

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) is an independent, non-governmental, not-for-profit organization that promotes responsible management of the world's forests.

It is widely regarded as one of the most important initiatives to promote responsible forest management worldwide. It places a special emphasis on **rainforest conservation**.

Launched by environmental groups in 1993 FSC manages an international standard for well-managed forests and a process for tracking and certifying wood furniture, flooring and other products derived from those forests. FSC addresses numerous aspects of **sustainable forestry**, including ecological issues, old-growth forests, plantations, restoration, biodiversity, native habitat, indigenous people's rights, and sound management for timber production.

FSC certification for furniture is a good indication that the furniture has been independently evaluated and determined sustainable or eco-friendly, but what exactly does that mean?

The FSC label provides certification of the chain of links between the forest where a product originates and the consumer.



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■ MARKING A THIRTY-FIVE-YEAR PARTNERSHIP

John Penny Woodworking Machinery and Stenner are celebrating 35 years of co-operation this year. Even before this, John Penny was involved in the sale of Stenner equipment while employed at Wadkin, so the relationship is more than 40 years old.

To mark this milestone, John Penny Woodworking Machinery is offering a special offer until the end of February 2021. The impressive ST100RB and ST100R resaws are both being offered with free commissioning by a Stenner engineer, together with free upgrades to the specifications, for orders placed before the end of February this year.

The impressive ST100RB is ideal for the joinery company wanting to improve its sawing capacity. With the thin kerf of the wide bandsaw blades, wastage is reduced, giving better timber utilisation.

The noble Stenner ST100R resaw is on special offer for orders placed before the end of February 2021.

Safety is also improved because of the automatic roller feed system, with variable speeds. To complete the package, the ST100RB is being offered with a pack of three wide bandsaw blades free of charge. John Penny Woodworking Machinery says that the robust ST100R is the first choice for timber merchants and sawmills – many having been supplied to companies in the UK and overseas.

As standard, the R model has the Electronic Operator interface, with digital readout of fence position. In addition to the free commissioning, the ST100R specification has been upgraded to include foot pedal control of the feed roller opening.



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