

Responsible Sourcing Policy

Techrete is a leading company in the design, manufacture and installation of architectural precast concrete cladding. We are committed to sourcing our materials and managing our supply chain in the most responsible and sustainable way possible. Our commitment extends from the sourcing of raw materials, through to production and on to supply of our product and ultimate disposal.

Our approach is commitment to:

Supply Chain Management

- Through our Quality Management System, certified to ISO 9001, we have a documented system for our purchasing process and approval of suppliers.
- Our Purchasing Policy encompasses the standards of ISO9001, OHSAS18001, ISO 14001, ISO 50001 and BES 6001 when engaging with our suppliers e.g. all our timber is sourced from suppliers that hold a valid FSC and / or PEFC certificate. We maintain a list of suppliers and ensure that they have the necessary controls, processes and management systems in place to allow for the identification and traceability of supplier materials.

Environmental and Energy Management

- Techrete maximises the reduction, recycling and recovery of waste in our operations. We have made significant investment in rain water harvesting and recycling and in the development of environmentally friendly products and processes.
- Techrete is ISO 50001 (Energy Management) certified and has set clear targets for reductions in energy consumption and CO2 emissions per unit manufactured. Progress is reviewed at weekly meetings by the Energy team members and senior management.
- Techrete is ISO 14001 (Environmental Management) certified and we encourage our supply chain to implement or work towards a third-party certified Environmental Management System.
- We have worked closely with a number of consultancies on life cycle assessments of our products as part of our ongoing aim to identify and minimise any adverse environmental impact of our products.
- We minimise the impact of the transportation of our products by maximising the load capacity ratio for each delivery, thus reducing the number of trucks on the road.

People & Community

- We expect our suppliers and subcontractors to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of employees and any others who may be affected by their activities.
- In addition to its OHSAS18001 accredited management system, Techrete has issued and follows its Ethical Policy Statement, Its Worksafe Policy and Its Smoke Free Policy Statements.
- Our Safety Management System records all training and qualifications received by our staff and Site sub-contractors and identifies appropriate opportunities for further training and investment.
- We encourage local procurement of materials and labour.
- We have invested in our local community to create a positive relationship with local schools, football teams, recreational activities, Scout Groups, and we are also members of the Lion's Club.

Legal requirements

- We will ensure that all responsible sourcing operations comply with our business codes of conduct and legal requirements through implementing our management systems.

Techrete management are responsible for implementing the policy and for providing input into the formulation and subsequent modification of the policy. The co-operation of all of our employees is sought to enable us to achieve this important objective.


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