

Updating the FSC Remedy Framework from PfA V2 to V3

The FSC Remedy Framework in consultation March-April 2022 is applied to any violations of the Policy for Association (PfA) that took place during the effective period of version 2 of the policy. The main remedy and operational improvement requirements are not foreseen to be impacted by the revision of the policy, but some updates will be required to align with the scope of the new policy version. In addition, the requirements for remedy for certification of converted land will be removed since this will be no longer possible after the cut-off date. This chart shows the main updates required. The changes will be carried out after the approval of the policy as technical changes to create a version of the framework which will be applied to violations withing the scope of the PfA version 3.

Remedy Framework for PfA 2 (in consultation)	Remedy Framework for PfA 3 (to be developed)	Notes
'Directly or indirectly involved'	Replace	The concept will not be used but replaced with concept of "control" defining the scope of expectations and unacceptable activities the policy covers.
'Corporate group' definition	Update	Corporate group definition expands from ownership to include all entities that are withing the same control structure
Time scope defined as 'After November 1994 and before December 2020'	Remove & Clarify effective period	This timeframe relates to certification requirements and certification of converted land is no longer possible.
Scope includes forest certification and controlled wood certification and specifies cases that framework does not apply to.	Update	Certification of converted land is no longer possible so all references to certification will be removed from the scope. The scope will be specified to include association and the applicable time based on effective date.
Small-scale small holders not required to confirm with remedy requirements	Remove	Certification of converted land is no longer possible.
Any other reference to certification requirements for converted land, for example: Chapter 3, Part 2, 16.6 NOTE: Chapter 3, Part 2, 10.4	Remove	Certification of converted land is no longer possible.

NOTE: This overview is based on current draft 5 of PfA V3, which does not include any retroactive application or irrevocable disassociation from FSC presented as consultations questions with the FSC Remedy Framework.

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