

SUPPLIER COMMITMENTS: GUIDANCE AND FURTHER INFORMATION



Product Quality and Safety

As a supplier, you commit to only supply products (including packaging) that are suitable for our supply chain and that are safe to handle and store. You also commit to only supply products that are fit for purpose, safe to use and meet our quality requirements.

Suppliers are required to carry out a product assessment in line with the legal requirements of the General Product Safety Regulations before offering new products to the Travis Perkins Group. These assessments must include the product's packaging and handling throughout the supply chain.

- **“Keeping people safe”** is one of the Travis Perkins Group's five cornerstones that underpin our business. This means that the products you supply into our Group businesses must be safe to handle, whether they are supplied into one of our own distribution warehouses, into a store or branch, or direct to our customers.
- To achieve this, we'll work with you to:
 - Minimise the need to manually handle your products by focusing on packaging and loading solutions.
 - Clearly mark products with their weight, to enable two-person lifting if mechanical handling equipment can't be used.
 - Make sure vehicles are loaded so as to aid safe and efficient unloading at their destination.
 - Minimise the risks associated with hazardous substances through clear labelling and the provision of information and data to enable the implementation of safe and correct working systems.

- As a minimum, all products must comply with all relevant regulations and directives and be fit for purpose.
- Products that fall under regulations and harmonised standards (e.g. Construction Products Regulations) or that require CE Marking must be appropriately labelled and have associated Declarations of Conformity or Declarations of Performance made available.
- All product testing must be carried out by a UKAS accredited (or international equivalent) laboratory, or by a testing facility which has been assessed and approved by the Travis Perkins Group Quality function.
- Unless otherwise agreed, test reports must be dated within 12 months of the product being offered to the Travis Perkins Group.
- Validity of all product certification must be maintained.



Useful Links

- [UK Government guidance on the General Product Safety Regulations](#)
- [Guidance on CE Marking](#)
- [Information relating to Declarations of Performance as required by the Construction Products Regulations](#)
- [TP Group Supplier Manual](#)