

Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

Organisation	Kin Chiew Furniture Sdn. Bhd. 200801021634 (822952-K)	Reference #	GFSSBH 004-775a
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Statements			
Statement of Compliance	GFS 174 WTP		
Issuance Date	10 March 2025	Expiration Date	26 January 2026

Assessment Details	
Company Type	Moulding mill
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: JP(T)TW001/10(M01), KON(TTW)008/10(KK)
Product Group	Moulded timber, Finger Joint
Source of Material	Sabah, Malaysia.
Species	<i>Drybalanops</i> spp. (Kapur), <i>Dipterocarp</i> spp. (Keruing), <i>Koompassia malaccensis</i> (Impas), <i>Parashorea</i> spp. (White seraya), <i>Shorea</i> spp. (Red seraya, Yellow seraya, Melapi), <i>Heritiera simplicifolia</i> (Kembang), <i>Sapotaceae</i> spp. (Nyatoh), <i>Neolamarckia cadamba</i> (Laran), <i>Duabanga moluccana</i> (Magas), <i>Octomeles sumatrana</i> (Binuang), <i>Alstonia</i> spp. (Pulai), <i>Annonaceae</i> spp. (Karai), <i>Eugenia</i> spp. (Obah), <i>Sindora beccariana</i> (Sepetir), Lauraceae (Medang), <i>Planchonia valida</i> (Putat), <i>Terminalia subspatulata</i> (Talisai), Myristicaceae (Darah-darah), <i>Dillenia</i> spp. (Simpur), <i>Cotylelobium</i> spp. (Resak batu), <i>Cratoxylum arborescens</i> (Serungan), <i>Pentace</i> spp. (Takalis), <i>Hopea sangal</i> (Gagil), <i>Calophyllum obliquinervium</i> (Bintangor), <i>Macaranga</i> spp. (Sedaman), <i>Prerospermum</i> (Bayor), <i>Dyera</i> spp. (Jelutong), <i>Dialium indum</i> (KerANJI), <i>Azadirachta excels</i> (Bawang-bawang), <i>Magnolia candollii</i> (Chempaka)
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Terms of Assessment
The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance with Kin Chiew Furniture Sdn. Bhd. to the criteria within the Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System (TLAS) Principle 5 - Mill Operations and Principle 6 - Trade and Customs standards. Compliance is defined when the organization demonstrates that there is no non-compliance to any applicable criteria. Non-compliance to the Sabah Legality Standard occurs when the organization does not comply with 1 or more criteria. Non-compliance must be formally addressed prior to certification or within 2 months following a surveillance assessment.

Limitations of Assessment
The information presented in this report is based on documentation and other information presented by the client and observations made during the field verification under the assessment. Auditor's reporting of information presented by the client is taken as accurate unless evaluated differently through the observations made during the assessment. All information presented in the report is accurate and complete to the best knowledge of GFS.

Background Information:

Kin Chiew Furniture Sdn. Bhd. (Kin Chiew Furniture) is, on and from 25/06/2008, incorporated under Companies Act 2016, and is registered in Tawau, Sabah, Malaysia, with registration #: 200801021634 (822952-K). Kin Chiew Furniture produces moulded timber and finger joint for the local market.

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Kin Chiew Furniture does not engage other companies as their subcontractors to provide or manufacture products.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From October 2023 to December 2024, Kin Chiew Furniture purchased raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
Soonlinmas Sdn. Bhd.	FDS(KK)(S)043/2019	Plywood	Kota Kinabalu	GFS 261 WTP (04/02/2025)	Low
Yun Seng Enterprise Sdn. Bhd.	-	Plywood	Sandakan	-	High
YC Supplies Sdn. Bhd.	-	Plywood	Sandakan	-	High
Sherwood Timber Processing Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)TW004/00(X02) R	Lumber core	Tawau	GFS 042 WTP (22/09/2025)	Low
Fu Yee Corporation Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)KA001/00(X52)R	Lumber core Sawn timber Sawn timber log end	Kalabakan	GFS 079 WTP (08/10/2024)	High
Hap Seng Property Investment Sdn. Bhd (Chuan Huan Trading Sdn. Bhd.)	JP(T)TW002/05(B01)	Reject wood	Tawau	GFS 216 WTP (08/12/2025)	Low

*GFS risk evaluation is based on the risk matrix for Sabah TLAS (VL) materials & products.

Summary Results:

(Major gap = 1, Minor gap = 0, Observation = 0)

March 2025: (Major gap = 0, Minor gap = 0, Observation = 0)

GAPs: Year 2025				
GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
001/2025	Major	5.1.2	Closed	January 2025: The Moulding Plant license and Mill Contractor licenses are expired. January 2025: The Moulding Plant license and Mill Contractor licenses were renewed.
002/2025	minor	5.3.1, 5.3.2	Closed	21 January 2025: Inconsistent in issuing employment agreements. 22 January 2025: Kin Chiew Furniture has issued employment agreements for all workers.

*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2025		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
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Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)	Date: 07 March 2025
Major gap 001/2025 shall be addressed within 2 months by March 2025. Kin Chiew Furniture provided the renewed licenses. The Major gap is now closed.	

Recommendations

Kin Chiew Furniture Sdn. Bhd. has demonstrated compliance with the Sabah Principles 5-6 for Chain of Custody as non-compliance was addressed under Criterion 5.1 and is now recommended to receive a GFS Statement of Compliance or Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System Compliance Certificate (TLAS-CC) from SFD.

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for January 2026.

End of Summary Report