Whitbread Palm Oil Sourcing Policy

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Aim:

At Whitbread, we are committed to minimising our impact on global deforestation and forest degradation through robust sourcing policies.

Objective:

The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy describes how we source products containing Palm Oil which are sold through Premier Inn restaurants & hotels in UK & ROI.

Scope:

The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy applies to non-branded food products sold through Premier Inn restaurants, which are:

- purchased directly by Whitbread from individual suppliers e.g. "Whitbread Nominated food products" (products for which Whitbread owns the recipe and has a direct relationship with the supplier)
- purchased from UK & ROI-based wholesalers e.g. "Whitbread Wholesale food products"

The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy does not apply to branded food and non-food products. This relates to products where the brand owner is clearly visible to the customer on the product label e.g branded shower gel in hotel rooms, branded chocolate made available to Premier Inn Plus customers.

The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy does not apply to products which contain Palm Oil as a processing aid.

The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy does not include any of the requirements related to the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 on deforestation-free products (EUDR). The Palm Oil Sourcing Policy was reviewed at a time when there was uncertainty regarding the scope of EUDR. At Whitbread, we are closely monitoring all EUDR-related developments and will review and republish the Palm Oil Sourcing Policy once more clarity is obtained.

Policy Statement:

All products in scope contain Palm Oil that is certified by the Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) to one of the supply chain models: Identity Preserved, Segregated or Mass Balance.

No RSPO credits are used for in scope products.

REASON FOR CHANGE, CHANGES SINCE LAST VERSION

V3 – Update of policy owner from to Ana Nicula and overall review of policy . Change of review period from annual to every 3 years

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