

## STANDARDS & GUIDELINES

### ABOUT THE STANDARDS

The ROLES Standard is designed to address the key issues related to sustainable management of rattan and forest resources as well as ethical and responsible rattan business management. The overall ROLES standard consists of three individual standards, namely: RLI standard for producers, COC Standard for processors, manufacturers and exporters, and special standards for Wholesalers/Distributors.

The ROLES standard includes sustainability principles and criteria covering aspects of legality, economic sustainability, environmental sustainability, socio-cultural factors, and traceability that must be met by actors in the rattan supply chain to be able to obtain ROLES certification. The key issues, criteria and sustainability indicators included in the ROLES standard are shown in the table below:

INDICATORS		RLI STANDAR FOR PRODUCER	COC/SUPPLY CHAIN STANDARD	WHOLESALE/RETAILER STANDARD
LEGALITY		V	V	V
TRACEBILTY		V	V	V
ENVIRONMENT				
	Tropical Rain Forest Conservation (maintain and increase forests/carbon stock)	V		
	Conserve Endangered, Threatened and Rare Species	V		
	High Conservation Value	V		
	Do not use prohibited and dangerous chemicals	V	V	V
	Waste Management	V	V	V
SOCIAL				
	Indigenous Knowledge and right	V		
	FPIC	V		
	No Child and Force Labor	V	V	V
	Healthy and safe working conditions		V	V
	Non Discrimination	V	V	V
	Worker Welfare	V	V	V
	Working hours		V	V
	Freedom of association	V	V	V
	Human Rights	V	V	V
	Conflict Resolution	V	V	
	Capacity Building	V	V	

	Social Premium	V	V	V
ECONOMIC				
	Diversity of income from the forest	V		
	Support Smallholders	V	V	V
	Good cultivation, harvesting, production and processing practices	V	V	
	Financial Sustainability	V	V	V
BUSINESS ETHIC				
		V	V	V

## STRATIFICATION OF CERTIFICATION

Since early 2022, ROLES has been implementing a certification stratification for each certified product based on its supply chain model. This stratification is to show the level of transparency and credibility of the sustainability claims guaranteed by the ROLES standard. In general, there are 3 levels of certification, namely:

### 1. Book n Claim (LOW) Model

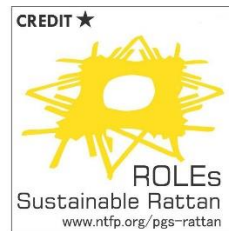
Marked with a certification label on a white background. This certification model is a transitional model and can only be valid for a maximum of two years. This model consists of two sub-models, namely: Rattan Sustainable Sourcing Program (RSSP) and sub-model Credit.

RSSP occurs when actors in the rattan supply chain cooperate with each other with the support of the ROLES unit, to encourage models for harvesting, processing and trading rattan in accordance with the ROLES principles and criteria for sustainability. RSSP tries to encourage the involvement of rattan business actors to implement sustainable sourcing in their supply chain. All rattan actors can be involved, whether certified (using peer review or audit) or only verified (using self-assessment or peer review).

Credit model occurs when the rattan processor/exporter has not been certified but has been verified using the ROLES self-assessment or peer review scheme. The processor/exporter buys raw rattan from a certified producer (RLI standard) and then uses it in the production process. Sustainability claims use the mass-balance (credit) model, where the weight of the rattan product that is claimed to be certified (output) must be equivalent to the certified rattan raw material input by considering the conversion factor.



BnC/Rattan Sustainable Sourcing Program



Book and Claim / Credit

## 2. Mass-balance/mixed (MEDIUM) Model

Marked with a certification label on a green background. All supply chain actors of this model have been certified through peer-review or audited by ROLES commissions. The mass-balance (percentage) model ALLOWS mixing most certified rattan with uncertified rattan where the composition is such that there is more than 50% certified rattan. This model consists of two sub-models namely; Mass balance/Mixed 1 and Mass balance/Mixed 2 . models

The Mass-Balance 1 model occurs when there has been mixing at the processor of green rattan into raw material. Traceability only reaches to the identified raw material processors.

The Mass-balance2 model occurs when at the level of processor of green rattan into raw material, a segregation process is carried out between certified and uncertified rattan. Mixing occurs in the finished product processor (manufacturer) so that traceability can reach to the identified farmer groups.



Mass Balance-1



Mass-Balance 2

## 3. Segregation (HIGH) Model

Marked with a certification label on a black background. All supply chain actors of this model have been certified through peer-review or audited by ROLES audit commissions. Segregation model occurs when there is physical and documented separation between certified rattan and uncertified rattan along the supply chain. The Segregation Model consists of three sub models, namely; Segregation-bulk model (SG-1), Segregation-Percentage model (SG-2) and Segregation-Straight Model (SG-3).

The bulk-segregation model (SG-1) occurs when all the rattan used in producing the product is 100% certified but comes from different sources. The certified rattan from various sources is mixed in such a way that information about the origin (identity preserved) cannot be proven. SG-1 product traceability claims are up to the level of farmer groups/raw material processors with each product containing 100% rattan originating from certified sources

The Segregation-percentage (SG-2) model allows mixing of certified rattan with other non-certified rattan/materials with more than 50% of each product containing certified rattan. The raw materials and final products of rattan are separated physically and with documents in such a way that the identity of the rattan products from the garden can be maintained (identity preserved). SG-2 product traceability claims are up to rattan garden level with each product containing Most of the certified rattan from identifiable gardens (identity preserved)

The straight-segregation model (SG-3) occurs when all the rattan used in producing 100% certified products comes from separate rattan sources and is traceable to the rattan garden. The SG-3 product is the highest level in the ROLEs certification stratification. The traceability claim is up to the rattan garden level with each product containing 100% certified rattan from an identifiable rattan garden (identity preserved)



## ROLES STANDARD

ROLEs standards are aimed at making a positive impact on the sustainability of forest resources upstream, sustainable livelihoods for smallholders and fair trade processes through sustainable and ethical sourcing. In the end, all of these positive impacts will contribute to the creation of sustainable and equitable development for all. The ROLEs standards are developed in a participatory manner, involving all parties (producers, NGOs, business and government) and contain principles and criteria that holistically integrate aspects of legality, environmental sustainability, socio-cultural factors, economic sustainability and traceability. The ROLEs Standard is available for both Producers (RLI Standard), processors/exporters (COC/Supply chain Standard) and for Wholesalers/Retailers. For more details, please download the three standards that have been developed:

- [RLI STANDARD FOR PRODUCERS](#)
- [COC/SUPPLY CHAIN STANDARD](#)
- [WHOLESALE/RETAILER STANDARD](#)

## GUIDELINES

The following are some guidelines used by ROLEs that can be useful both for producers, businesses and partners as well as the government in understanding how ROLEs work, as well as technical implementation of certification. Please click the links below:

- [GENERAL GUIDELINE OF PGS ROLES](#)
- [STATEMENT, CLAIM AND LOGO USAGE GUIDELINES](#)