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# Modern Day Slavery Act 2015 - Policy Statement

Building Products Distributors Ltd (BPD) recognises that slavery and human trafficking remains a hidden blight on our society. The aim of this policy is to identify our responsibility by alerting staff to the risks, however small, in our business and in the wider supply chain. Staff are expected and encouraged to report concerns to management, where management will act upon them.

BPD is committed to ensuring that there is no modern day slavery or human trafficking in our supply chains or in any part of our business. Our Anti-slavery Policy Statement reflects our commitment to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business relationships and to implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure slavery and human trafficking is not taking place anywhere in our supply chains.

## Procedures

Formal procedures concerning slavery and human trafficking have been established, including disciplinary procedures where they are breached. Additional procedures ensure that this policy is understood and communicated to all levels of the company, and that it is regularly reviewed by the Directors to ensure its continuing suitability and relevance to the company activities. The Company will achieve these aims by our initiative to identify and mitigate risk in the following ways (but not limited to):

- More stringent vetting and investigation of our supply chain (contractors, sub-contractors, policies, contracts etc.)
- Continually audit & review our practices for checking all employees are paid at least the minimum wage and have the right to work
- We encourage the reporting of concerns and the protection of whistle blowers
- The Company will not knowingly support or deal with any business involved in slavery or human trafficking



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- We have zero tolerance to slavery and human trafficking. We expect all those in our supply chain and contractors comply with our values.

To ensure a high level of understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our supply chains and our business, we provide training to relevant members of staff. All Directors have been briefed on the subject.

We use the following key performance indicators to measure how effective we have been to ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any part of our business or supply chains:

- Completion of audits by Directors
- Good levels of communication and personal contact with next link in the supply chain and their understanding of, and compliance with, our expectations.

This policy is in accordance with Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes BPD's policy statement on the Modern Day Slavery Act 2015.

**This policy applies to all those employed by Building Products Distributors Limited.**

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**Managing Director**

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