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FAQ

Can a classified or business directory (digital or printed list of organizations and their contact details) of FSC Certificate Holders and FSC Trademark Service Licensees apply for a FSC Trademark Service License? Are there any specific conditions for their use?

The organization, that provides the classified directory which includes and identifies FSC Certificate Holders and FSC Trademark Service Licensees, is eligible to apply for an FSC Trademark Service License.

If this organization obtains an FSC Trademark Service License, it may indicate the details of

- the FSC Certificate Holder(s) together with the FSC logo or 'FSC® certified' or 'Forest Stewardship Council® certified' and the Certificate Holder's FSC license code
- the FSC Trademark Service Licensee(s) with the FSC logo or 'FSC® license holder' or 'Forest Stewardship Council® license holder' and the Trademark Service Licensee's FSC license code in its classified directory.

All FSC trademarks used by the organization that provides the classified directory, have to be approved by the respective Trademark Service Provider as stated in the FSC-STD-50 002.

The approval of Certification Bodies is not required.

An example listing would be:

FSC Certificate Holder company name	FSC Trademark Service Licensee company name	Any other company name
Address + Phone:	Address + Phone:	Address + Phone:
Website: Look for the FSC logo on our products.	Website: Look for the FSC logo on our products.	Website:
FSC® C000000	FSC® N000000	
(FSC logo)	(FSC logo)	





Conditions

1. Only Certificate Holders listed as valid on <http://info.fsc.org/certificate.php> or FSC Trademark Service Licensees listed as valid on <http://info.fsc.org/nonholder.php> may have the FSC logo (or alternative wording as above) on their listing. In each listing, the license code of each Certificate Holder or Trademark Service Licensee shall be included as a proof of their certified or licensed status.
 - The organization which applies for the FSC Trademark Service License has to verify the status using the FSC databases listed above.
2. Additionally, the FSC-certified products of the FSC Trademark Service Licensees have to be specified in the classified directory as a product or product category (e.g. FSC-certified furniture). Optionally the claim “Look for the FSC logo on our products” can also be used. FSC also recommends specifying the FSC-certified products or product category of the FSC Certificate Holders.
3. The FSC promotional panel with the FSC license code of the organization that provides the classified directory shall be included in the publication according to the requirements included in FSC-STD-50 002.
4. In addition, a disclaimer such as “Organizations marked with the FSC trademark are FSC Certificate Holders or FSC Trademark Service Licensees - information correct as of [date]. Verify the current status on [http://info.fsc.org/.](http://info.fsc.org/)” has to be placed on the publication.
5. FSC recommends that the status of all FSC Certificate Holders or FSC Trademark Service Licensees is verified using the appropriate FSC database on a regular basis.

Please note that this is an instruction that was provided to FSC Trademark Service Providers for their information (13/06/2016).