



**Rakennustietosäätiö RTS**  
**Building Information**  
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RTS EPD,  
RTS\_41\_19  
KoskiStandard  
birch plywood, uncoated

### Scope of the declaration

This environmental product declaration covers the environmental impacts of uncoated birch plywood. The declaration has been prepared in accordance with EN 15804:2012A1:2013 and ISO 14025 standards and the additional requirements stated in the RTS PCR (English version, 14.6.2018). This declaration covers the life cycle stages from from cradle-to-gate with options including transportation to installation site, deconstruction, transportation, treatment and recovery of the product at its end-of-life.

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## General information, declaration scope and verification (7.1)

### 1. Owner of the declaration, manufacturer

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### 2. Product name and number

KoskiStandard birch plywood, uncoated

### 3. Place of production

Järvelä mill, Finland

### 4. Additional information

www.koskisen.com

### 5. Product Category Rules and the scope of the declaration

This EPD has been prepared in accordance with EN 15804:2012A1:2013 and ISO 14025 standards together with the RTS PCR (English version, 14.6.2018). Product specific category rules have not been applied in this EPD. EPD of construction materials may not be comparable if they do not comply with EN 15804 and seen in a building context.

### 6. Author of the life-cycle assessment and declaration

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### 7. Verification

This EPD has been verified according to the requirements of ISO 14025:2010, EN 15804:2012A1:2013 and RTS PCR by a third party. The verification has been carried out by Bionova Oy Anastasia Sipari.

### 8. Declaration issue date and validity

14.11.2019-18.10.2024

#### European standard EN 15804: 2014 A1 serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration and data, according to ISO14025:2010

Internal

External

Third party verifier:

Bionova Oy/ Anastasia Sipari

## Product information

### 9. Product description

This EPD represents uncoated birch plywood produced in Järvelä, Finland. KoskiStandard is a Finnish plywood with high-quality. The product is used in various end uses like construction, die-cutting, and with various coatings in vehicle business.

Wood species used are certified according to PEFC and FSC Chain of Custody and certified ISO 9001 and environmental (ISO 14001) Management system, which include a wood origin tracking system.

### 10. Technical specifications

The product consists of the following materials birch veneers in 1,5 mm thickness and phenol or urea based formaldehyde resins. The product is available in thicknesses ranging from 4 mm to 50 mm. The nominal density of the product is as average 680 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. More information on web-page [www.koskisen.com](http://www.koskisen.com)

### 11. Product standards

Koskisen birch plywood complies with the following standards:

EN 636-1 Plywood specifications; Part 1: Requirements for plywood for use in dry conditions

EN 636-2 Plywood specifications; Part 2: Requirements for plywood for use in humid conditions

EN 636-3 Plywood specifications; Part 3: Requirements for plywood for use in exterior conditions

### 12. Physical properties

Detailed physical properties available at web-pages of the company:

[www.koskisen.com/plywood](http://www.koskisen.com/plywood). Also some technical details are shown in Handbook of Finnish plywood.

In order to adapt results of EPD to chipboard of different size the conversion factors presented below can be applied

Panel thickness mm	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	m <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>3</sup>
4	2,7	250,00
6,5	4,4	153,85
9	6,1	111,11
12	8,2	83,33
12,2	10,2	81,97
18	12,2	55,56
21	14,3	47,62
24	16,3	41,67
27	18,4	37,04
30	20,4	33,33
35	23,8	28,57
40	27,2	25,00
45	30,6	22,22
50	34	20,00

### 13. Raw-materials of the product

Product structure / composition / raw-material	Amount %
Wood	93,2 %
Phenolic resin	5,6 %
Limestone aggregate	0,5 %
Urea formaldehyde resin	0,4 %
Hardeners	0,3 %
Polypropylene	0,0 %
Total	100,0 %

### 14. Substances under European Chemicals Agency's REACH, SVHC restrictions

Name	EC Number	CAS Number
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The product does not contain REACH SVHC substances.

### 15. Functional / declared unit

m<sup>3</sup> of plywood

### 16. System boundary

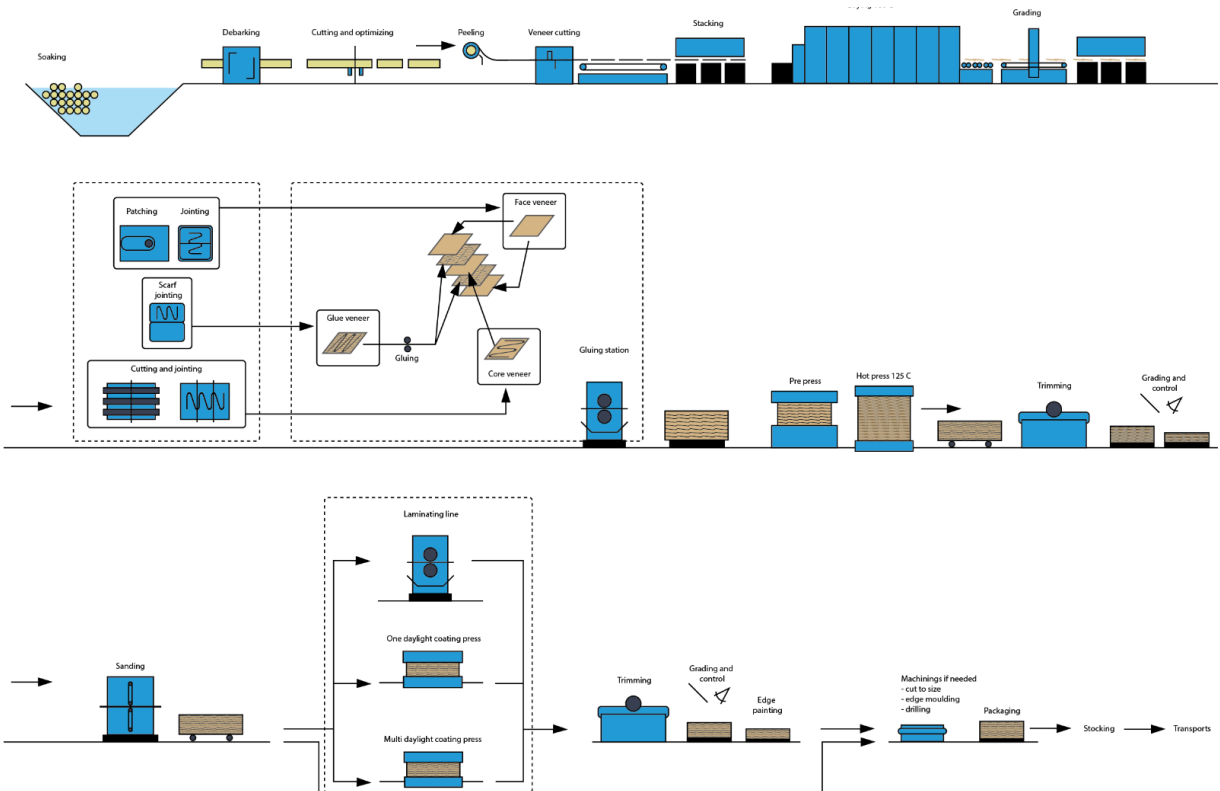
This EPD covers the following modules; A1 (Raw material supply), A2 (Transport), A3 (Manufacturing) and A4 (Transportation of the product to the building site) as well as C1 (Deconstruction), C2 (Transport at end-of-life), C3 (Waste processing) and C4 (Disposal). In addition, module D - benefits and loads beyond the system boundary - have been included.

### 17. Cut-off criteria

All used materials, energy, packaging, transportation fuel and waste treatment until the end-of-waste state have been included in the product stage (A1-A3). Results for the product stage have been provided as an aggregate. A4 transportation has been estimated to be 100 km, the return trip has not been considered. Module B information has not been presented or included in the LCA calculation. Energy consumption of demolition (C1) is assumed to be negligible. Transportation distance to treatment facility is assumed to be 100 km. Collected chipboard is shredded and incinerated for energy production purposes (C3), generated ash is landfilled (C4). Module D considers the benefits of energy recovery which replaces district heat

### 18. Production process

The product is manufactured from birch logs certified according to PEFC/FSC and phenol formaldehyde resin for exterior applications and with urea formaldehyde for interior applications. The logs are peeled into veneers and then various thicknesses are laid up from the veneers in various construction.



## Scope of the Life-Cycle Assessment (7.2.1-2)

Mark all the covered modules of the EPD with X. Mandatory modules are marked with blue in the table below. This declaration covers "cradle-to-gate with options". For other fields mark MND (module not declared) or MNR (module not relevant)

Product stage			Assembly stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Beyond the system boundaries		
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	D	D
x	x	x	x	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Raw materials	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse	Recovery	Recycling

	Mandatory modules
	Mandatory as per the RTS PCR section 6.2.1 rules and terms
	Optional modules based on scenarios

## Environmental impacts and raw-material use (7.2.3-7.2.4)

### 19. Environmental impacts

The results of a life cycle assessment are relative. They do not predict impact on category endpoints, exceeding of limit values, safety margins or risks. The impacts are presented per declared unit, 1 m3 of product. The impacts are mainly caused by the manufacturing process(A3).

Environmental impact								
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Global warming potential	kg CO2 -eqv	2,91E2	3,47E0	0E0	2,6E0	6,15E0	3,68E-2	-6,55E2
Depletion of stratospheric ozone layer	kg CFC11-eqv	3,09E-5	7,84E-7	0E0	5,14E-7	7,14E-7	9,43E-9	-3,34E-5
Formation of photochemical ozone	kg C2H4 -eqv	2,24E-1	5,66E-4	0E0	1,47E-4	1,99E-3	1,18E-5	-1,94E-1
Acidification	kg SO2 -eqv	1,42E0	1,78E-2	0E0	1,20E-2	1,50E-1	2,53E-4	-3,63E0
Eutrophication	kg PO4 3--eqv	2,91E-1	4,15E-3	0E0	2,61E-3	1,97E-1	7,63E-5	-4,94E-1
Abiotic depletion of non fossil resources	kg Sb-eqv	2,5E0	1,10E-5	0E0	1,89E-2	1,60E-5	4,86E-8	-7,75E-5
Abiotic depletion of fossil resources	MJ	6,01E3	9,36E1	0E0	7,43E1	6,05E1	8,67E-1	-6,49E3

## 20. Use of natural resources

Resource use								
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Renewable primary energy resources used as energy carrier	MJ	1,68E4	1,31E0	0E0	1,22E-1	2,41E0	2,73E-2	-1,77E2
Renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ	8,89E3	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	MJ	1,69E4	1,31E0	0E0	1,22E-1	2,41E0	2,73E-2	-1,77E2
Nonrenewable primary energy resources used as energy carrier	MJ	7,62E3	1,00E2	0E0	7,4E1	6,87E1	9,43E-1	-7,06E3
Nonrenewable primary energy resources used as materials	MJ	3,56E1	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources	MJ	7,66E3	1,00E2	0E0	7,4E1	6,87E1	9,43E-1	-7,06E3
Use of secondary materials	kg	6,88E-3	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ	3,25E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Use of net fresh water	m3	3,72E0	3,18E-3	0E0	0E0	7,07E-1	9,33E-5	-4,10E-1

## 21. End of life - Waste

Waste								
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Hazardous waste	kg	7,73E-1	1,02E-5	0E0	1,02E-5	1,75E-4	6,97E-7	-2,23E-3
Non-hazardous waste	kg	3,15E1	7,93E-3	0E0	7,93E-3	6,68E0	3,47E0	-1,62E1
Radioactive waste	kg	2,54E-2	2,91E-4	0E0	2,91E-4	2,12E-4	5,38E-6	-1,35E-2

## 22. End of life - Output flow

Output flow								
Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Components for reuse	kg	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Materials for recycling	kg	7,08E-4	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0
Materials for energy recovery	kg	3,37E-3	0E0	0E0	0E0	6,8E2	0E0	0E0
Exported energy	MJ	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	0E0	-2,453

## Scenarios and additional technical information (7.3)

### 23. Electricity in the manufacturing phase (7.3.A3)

A3 Sähkön tiedon laatu ja CO <sub>2</sub> päästö kg CO <sub>2</sub> ekv. /kWh	<b>FI 0,23</b>	Based on country specific fuel mixes for the production year 2017 from IEA Imported electricity has been considered. The environmental impacts of the fuels are based on ecoinvent 3,4 database. The impacts include all upstream processes as well as transmission losses.
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### 24. Transport from production place to user (7.3.2 A4)

Variable	Amount	Data quality
Fuel type and consumption in <b>liters / 100 km</b>	38	Source: Driver
Transportation distance <b>km</b>	100	Transportation report
Transport capacity utilization <b>%</b>	100	Full load transport to production area.
Bulk density of transported products <b>kg/m<sup>3</sup></b>	680	Producer data
Volume capacity utilisation factor (factor: =1 or <1 or ≥ 1 for compressed or nested packaged products)	1	Assumption

### 25. End-of-life process description (7.3.4)

Process	Unit(expressed per functional unit or per declared unit of components products or materials and by type of material)	Amount <b>kg/m<sup>3</sup></b> <b>Data quality</b>
Collection process specified by type	kg collected separately	680
	kg collected with mixed construction waste	0
Recovery system specified by type	kg for re-use	0
	kg for recycling	0
	kg for energy recovery	680
Disposal specified by type	kg product or material for final deposition	4
Assumptions for scenario development, e.g. transportation	units as appropriate	Transportation distance estimation based on average recycling facility locations; 100 km <sup>2</sup>



## 26. Additional technical information

Biogenic carbon of studied product is calculated in accordance to NS-EN 16449:2014 Dry wood content of plywood is 633 kg per m3 that is equal to biogenic carbon content 1161kg CO2 per m3 of the plywood.

## 27. Product data sheet

### Technical specifications – KoskiStandard

Base plywood	Koskisen Finnish birch plywood
Bonding	Phenolic resin according to EN 314-2/ class 3 exterior conditions  Formaldehyde emission levels of panels fulfil requirements of Class E1 ( EN13986) , CARB Phase II , ULEF (Ultra Low Emitting Formaldehyde)
Face qualities	S, BB, WG, WG+
Standard thicknesses	4-50 mm S-qualities 4-21 mm and other thicknesses on request.
Standard sizes	1200/1220/1250 x 2400/2440/2500 mm 1200/1220 x 3000/3300/3600/4000 mm 1500/1525 x 3000/3300/3600/4000 mm  S-qualities: 1220 x 2440 mm 1500 x 3000 mm  Other sizes on request up to 2900 x 13000 mm
Density	Approx 700 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Fire classification	D-s2, d0 (EN 13501), this is valid for thicknesses of 9 mm and up E17 11BRll for buses 95/28/EC Approval for vehicle floors B-s1, d0 on request (EN 13501)
Machining	Drilling of holes edge machining like T&G, chamfer and rebate on request.
Other data	Detailed technical values can be found in Koskisen's Declaration of Performance (DoP). Please visit <a href="http://koskisen.com/download">koskisen.com/download</a> .

## Additional information

### Environment

Our raw material, wood is an ecological and renewable material and it stores carbon during its whole life cycle. Koskisen plywood products are manufactured in Finland according to the strictest sustainability principles. Koskisen is a pioneer in the Finnish forest industry in paying attention to the environment and the wood's supply chain is always known in detail. Finnish forests are primarily privately owned and the owners are guided by a strong commitment to long-term forestry and forest cultivation. Yearly, Finnish forests grow more than they are harvested. This guarantees a sustainable and environmentally sound raw material.

### Additional information

Wood is a living material and every panel is unique. Therefore a photograph or a sample piece cannot represent a full sized panel as regards colours, shades, figure, knots etc. Please note that a slight colour variation is accepted between panels.

The information, although based on extensive testing, is intended as a guideline only and comes without warranty. We reserve the right to amend specifications without notice. Any defects other than those caused by clearly verified production or service faults by the supplier are the responsibility of the user. Any claim for compensation is limited to the value of the defective panels. The Seller makes no guarantee that the goods are fit for a particular purpose, unless it provides a written declaration of their suitability.

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## **28. Additional information (7.4)**

Air, soil and water impacts during the use phase have not been studied.

## **29. Bibliography**

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