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timber packaging and pallet confederation

Leading and Promoting
the UK Timber Packaging Industry

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS



Membership of **TIMCON** ensures you are in the loop on all matters concerning your business interests and our industry as a whole. For example, our members have been kept up to speed about the recent timber shortages and price increases and are advised on any legislation that might affect their business. **TIMCON** lobbies the key decision makers in the UK and abroad to safeguard our industry on behalf our most valuable commodity – *our members!*

Here are some examples of how your membership and support translates into tangible benefits:

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

- ✓ **TIMCON** members are kept up-to-date on industry related developments through regular communications such as a quarterly Newsletter, Press Releases, Hot News bulletin, and E-bulletins. Our website is a one-stop-shop for members who are offered a free-find-a-supplier listing used by service purchasers and potential customers to search for a supplier on a geographical or product type basis.
- ✓ **TIMCON** has established an exclusive arrangement for its full members, who for the first time can access the extensive specialist technical support facilities available from PalletLink, in addition to those already on offer from **TIMCON** itself. These include:
 - ◆ an additional 3 newsletters per year
 - ◆ free advice on technical issues via telephone
 - ◆ a 25% reduction in consultancy fees.
 - ◆ Password to access members section of the Palletlink web site.
 - ◆ Access to downloadable .pdf packaging data sheets, standards indexes, specifications, safety publications, working software design tools, etc
 - ◆ Free nail bending strength testing to EN ISO 12777-1
 - ◆ Downloadable indexes of 1150 National, International and commercial pallet and packaging standards and specifications.
- ✓ The Pallet Design System (PDS) is a 3-D Design and Engineering Tool for **Wood Pallets**. PDS is:
 - ◆ a *product specification* tool
 - ◆ an *engineering design* tool
 - ◆ an *educational* tool
 - ◆ a *professional marketing* tool

all contained in an easy to use software package developed for the **wood pallet** industry by the NWPCA. **TIMCON** members gain a substantial reduction on the purchase price for this software, and have access to training days to enhance their knowledge and use of this valuable tool.
- ✓ **TIMCON** keeps members updated on trends in the timber packaging market through the highly respected Poyry Index – providing unrivalled and valuable industry data for members. In addition, **TIMCON** has an arrangement with NTC Research to circulate further general UK economic information via the Hot News publication.
- ✓ **TIMCON** General Meetings are an excellent opportunity for members to find out about the latest industry developments. If you want to be the first in the know, this is the forum for you. Further dates will be circulated to members shortly.
- ✓ **TIMCON** have developed a training programme especially for members to help standardise and professionalise the industry.



PROMOTING OUR INDUSTRY

TIMCON has kept up a relentless media campaign to ensure that the benefits of wooden packaging and pallets are kept high on the media agenda. Access to these press releases is done via the web site.

TIMCON, in partnership with 'wood for good' have produced two short films which have been sent to the directors and decision makers of the top 90 companies in the UK, explaining to them why, from a business and environmental perspective, they must use wooden pallets and packaging. These films are available to you on a USB (Memory Stick) free of charge as soon as you have renewed your **TIMCON** membership, enabling you to give your customers some hard hitting information and facts about why they should use your services.

TIMCON, in partnership with 'wood for good' have produced a 'Passport to ISPM 15' document for you to circulate to your customers, and is available to you once you have joined

REPRESENTING OUR INDUSTRY

TIMCON has gained international respect and recognition for its work in relation to ISPM15 (which has received legal status since November 2006) and the promotion of wood as a renewable, environmentally friendly, clean and sustainable material ideal for use in packaging that is ultimately efficient, quality controlled to internationally accepted standards and specifications.

TIMCON has actively been engaged with relevant government departments like the UK Forestry Commission and the Health and Safety Executive, and represents the interest of its members at a European level through FEFPEB and international level by making representations to NWPCA and CWPCA.



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