

# Modern Slavery Statement

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Ball and Doggett is committed to understanding and managing ethical, social and environmental issues along its supply chain. The Modern Slavery Statement has been created to meet our commitment and outlines the terms and conditions of doing business with Ball and Doggett. This Modern Slavery Statement is made in accordance to the Modern Slavery Act 2018.

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## ABOUT US:

We are Ball & Doggett. Australia's largest distributor of printable materials and consumables. We sell all sorts of raw materials that turn big ideas into reality. We are the place where all great communications starts. We're proud to be part of the OVOL Group owned by Japan Pulp & Paper.

## OUR STANCE AGAINST MODERN SLAVERY:

Ball & Doggett are committed to conducting business responsibly and ethically. Our stance is to ensure that all business practices including our supply chains are free from any form of slavery. We take a negative view towards and reject any and all forms of modern slavery that can take the form of unpaid or underpaid servitude, human trafficking and forced labour. Our commitment is towards having in place effective systems and controls ensuring that no forms of Modern Slavery take place within our business or in any part of our supply chains.

## OUR RISK ASSESSMENT & DUE DILLIGENCE:

Ball & Doggett assesses risk of modern slavery taking place in our business by managing areas of concern within our own business operations and all external suppliers/ service providers. Within our own Australian operations, there is no risk of modern slavery occurring. There is a indirect risk of modern slavery through our supply chains. To mitigate this, risk Ball & Doggett have taken the following actions:

- As a registered member of SEDEX (largest ethical audit online platform for collecting and sharing ethical supply chain information), Ball & Doggett can ensure that we partner with likeminded trading partners who are not engaged with businesses who operate using any form of Modern Slavery.

- Giving preference to suppliers who are FSC and PEFC certified, provides Ball & Doggett an assurance that these suppliers are not engaged in any forms (direct or indirect) of Modern Slavery.

Ball & Doggett are committed to undertaking due diligence processes when contracting external suppliers and to identify any supplier that are deemed high risk to Modern Slavery practices. Ball & Doggett will not conduct business with high risk suppliers unless we have conducted an appropriate assessment. We will not compromise our standards.

## OUR COMMITMENT TO TRAINING:

Ball & Doggett are committed to training our employees to ensure they have a full understanding and respect for how their choices have a far reaching impact upon basic human rights across the world.

We have made the training resources provided by Anti-Slavery Australia available to all our employees.

We will endeavor to continue to identify and evaluate risk that relate to human rights by developing our policies, and to train to help combat modern slavery. Ball & Doggett will continue to review our business operations to ensure that we comply to the Modern Slavery Act 2018.



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