

# Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement

Kawasaki Precision Machinery (UK) Limited

UK Registered Company Number :

02833215

for the year ending 31 December 2019



**Modern slavery affects over 29 million people around the world, according to the Walk Free Global Slavery Index 2013.**

The unifying characteristic of all forms of modern slavery is that it involves one person depriving another person of their freedom:

- To leave one job for another
- To leave one workplace for another or
- To control their own body.

There are a variety of terms used to describe modern slavery, however for the purpose of this statement KPM UK have chosen to use the following:

**Human trafficking**  
**Forced labour**  
**Slavery**

The Modern Slavery Act, the first of its kind in Europe, received Royal Assent on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015. The act consolidates slavery and trafficking offences and introduces tougher penalties and sentencing rules. Under the UK's [Modern Slavery Act 2015](#), KPMUK is required to publish a Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement for each financial year, describing what steps we have taken to address the risk of slavery or human trafficking occurring in our own operations or our supply chains.

Kawasaki Precision Machinery (UK) Ltd (KPM(UK)) published its first Slavery and Human Trafficking statement in December 2016, and during these past four years we have grown in our understanding, increased our knowledge and have been working to develop a productive response to manage the risk within our sphere of influence. We have a better understanding of the emerging global issue of Modern Slavery and we know our customers share our concern.

This year's statement relates to actions and activities during the financial year 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019. We have continued to deepen our understanding of the risk and are working to find the most effective response to that risk. KPM(UK) is committed to maintaining and improving systems and processes to avoid complicity in human rights violations related to our own operations, our supply chain, and our products. We realise that slavery and human trafficking can occur in many forms, such as forced labour, child labour, domestic servitude, sex trafficking, and workplace abuse. KPM (UK) recognises that it has a responsibility to take a robust approach to human rights violations and is absolutely committed to preventing such violations in its corporate activities, and to ensuring that its supply chains are free from slavery and human trafficking.

**Board approval**

This statement has been signed on behalf of the Board of Directors of KAWASAKI PRECISION MACHINERY (UK) LIMITED  
Signed on their behalf



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Position: Managing Director & Board Director

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020

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## Our Business

Today, the Kawasaki brand is synonymous with quality and innovation, leading the way in hydraulic components and systems design and manufacture and supply equipment for a huge range of applications in the industrial, agricultural, construction and marine markets.

## Our Structure

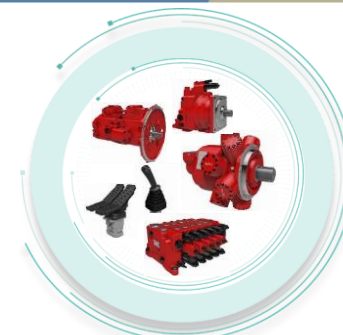
The Precision Machinery division of Kawasaki Heavy Industries has been at the forefront of hydraulic technology and development for over 50 years and our products can be found around the world on land and at sea.

Established in 1968, Precision Machinery Division has manufacturing facilities in Japan, China, Korea, India and the UK.

KPM (UK) has been developing expertise in hydraulic machinery for 25 years. Located in Plymouth in the South West of England KPM (UK) is the centre for Sales, Engineering, Manufacturing and Customer Support for Customers in Europe, USA, Asia, Middle East and Africa.

Our customer base is pre-dominantly Original Equipment Manufacturers in the marine, construction and agriculture industries and we are supported by a global sales distribution and support network. Around 90% of our Customer and distribution base is located in the UK, Europe, Japan, North America and Asia.

Our current number of staff working for KPM (UK) is approximately: 233



UK Manufacturer of hydraulic axial piston pumps & motors and radial piston motors



Operating in the UK

Supplying materials across the Globe



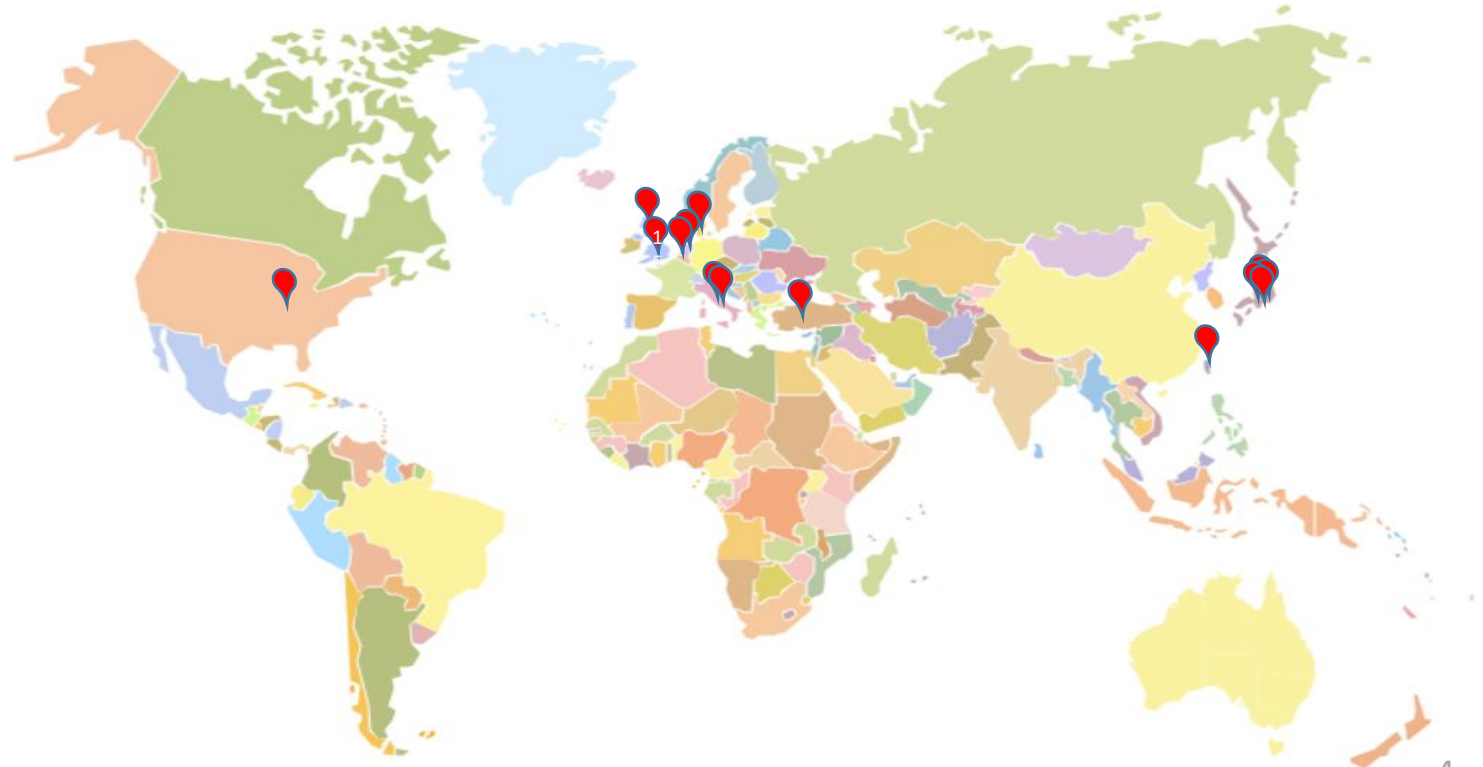
95 Direct Product Suppliers

***Our Supply Chain***

KPM (UK) sources goods and services directly from a global network of approximately 95 direct product suppliers and 526 indirect suppliers. Around 90% of KPMUK's direct supply base is located in the UK and Europe and we also utilise our Japanese parent company to supply factored and subassembly parts to meet our production requirements.

Our supply chain is made up of both manufacturers and distributors pre-dominantly supplying raw material, pre-assembled product as well as component parts. We believe that our exposure to the risks of modern slavery is low within our own business and within our supply chain. However, this assessment will be kept under review and if circumstances change we will have no hesitation in instituting additional actions. The manifestations of Modern Slavery are complex and hidden and in order to prioritise our activities, our risk assessment included the mapping of our supply chains and operations, desk-based research, supplier surveys and supplier engagement

KPM (UK) actively manages its relationships with its suppliers. There are clear contractual arrangements in place with our direct suppliers who are required to comply with our Standard Terms and Conditions for the Purchase of Goods and Services. These Terms and Conditions are under periodic review to ensure they remain relevant with current legislation. Communication of the standards expected of our suppliers are done through a variety of mechanisms including direct buyer interaction, regular business reviews and via email notices to suppliers.





## Assessment of Risk of Slavery and Human Trafficking in our Supply Chain

In 2016/17 we undertook an exercise to assess slavery and human trafficking risks within our supply chain. We carried out an evaluation based on the countries where our suppliers are based, products and services being supplied and the volume of spend. The data was evaluated against recognised external sources on perceived slavery risk within sectors and geographic areas to assess whether suppliers potentially represented a higher slavery risk.

From our risk assessment work to date, considering the type of commodity or service being provided and the country in which the suppliers are based, we identified 2 suppliers that potentially presented a low level risk of slavery or human trafficking. These suppliers are based in Turkey and Taiwan. However, assessment of the industry in which both firms operate indicates an extremely low risk of slavery and human trafficking.

Our 2019 activities have been focussed on monitoring our risk mitigation activities of ensuring

we continue flow down of our Supplier Code of Conduct throughout the whole of our supply chain.

We have not limited this activity to direct product supply. We also have a number of people working on our site as employees of companies providing outsourced services such as cleaning, catering and waste management. The nature of these services may mean there is an increased inherent risk of slavery and human trafficking. The companies that provide these services to us are subject to our Standard Terms and Conditions and we intend to seek additional assurances from these companies that they have effective procedures to protect their staff from such human rights violation risks. During 2019 these suppliers also either signed up to our Supplier Code of Conduct or provided evidence of their own compliant Corporate Code of Conduct

KPMUK's risk register is reviewed by the Senior Leadership Team on a quarterly basis and any issues identified are then appropriately dealt with.

## ***Responding to the Modern Slavery Act - Our Approach***

As an international company, we are committed to conducting our dealings, whether with customers, suppliers, employees or the communities in which they are based, with the utmost integrity.

Although we believe that our exposure to the risks of modern slavery is low, we are not complacent. We understand that, if we are to be successful in delivering our strategy for growth, then we must make sure that we interact with our employees, customers, suppliers and others effectively and properly.

## Employee charter

KPMUK's Employee Charter underpins our strategic vision and makes clear to employees the actions and behaviour expected of them when working for KPM (UK). We strive to maintain the highest standards of employee conduct and ethical behaviour whether operating abroad or in the UK and when managing our supply chain.

The fundamental principles by which we are guided is through our 5 key Values of **Plan, Learn, Empower, Respect** and **Commit**. Not only do we have high expectations for our employees, but these are extended to our suppliers, who are expected to subscribe to and adopt similar standards.

Since the introduction of the Modern Slavery Act 2015, we have created our Supplier Code of Conduct which we are rolling out to our suppliers to convey to them our requirements to comply with these principles.



KPM (UK) expect all suppliers to hold their suppliers and subcontractors to the standards and practices covered by our Supplier Code of Conduct. Here are some of the key areas we are focussed on:

- Health and safety in production areas and any living quarters.
- The right to legal wages and benefits.
- Appropriate working hours and overtime pay.
- Prevention of child labour or forced labour.
- Fair and ethical treatment, including non-discrimination.
- Respect for the environment.

In order to consolidate this ethical position, KPM (UK) require our suppliers to sign up to our Supplier Code of Conduct or provide evidence of their own compliant Corporate Code.

If we became aware of slavery or human trafficking concerns within our supply chain, we would seek to work with the relevant supplier to improve conditions for their workforce.

However, we would reserve the right to terminate our relationship with any supplier if they fail to make the required improvements within a reasonable timeframe, or that violates the Code or does not cooperate with our auditors.

To date, KPM (UK) is not aware of any reports of slavery or human trafficking within our supply chain.

Plan

Learn

Empower

Respect

Commit



## Supplier Audits



When working with our KPM (UK) supply chain, we use industry recognised standards to audit suppliers and verify compliance. We audit direct product suppliers periodically to monitor continued compliance and improvement.

As part of this, we have deployed a supplier audit programme which we are planning to enhance to facilitate our ability to verify that our suppliers do indeed adopt similar standards of ethical behaviour.

Once this programme is fully functional, we will be in a position to confirm that our suppliers have all committed to us that they comply with all applicable regulations on ethics and human rights and that they will conduct business to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

As of 2019 all of our Strategic Suppliers have signed up to our Code of Conduct or provided evidence of their own compliant Corporate Code

## Our Policies and Procedures

KPM (UK) recognises that it is not enough simply to state our commitment to an ethical approach. The business is required to have clear, proportionate procedures designed to ensure that the business done on its behalf is conducted ethically and honestly. Our Company Handbook, which is given to every employee on their appointment to KPM (UK) provides reference and guidance to all our employees.

Before participating in any business interactions, KPM (UK) requires an appropriate level of due diligence on that counterparty to be carried out. Due diligence is undertaken when considering taking on new direct product suppliers, as well as regular reviews of our existing supply base.

Under our Standard Terms and Conditions we have the right to conduct audits of suppliers and / or ask suppliers to submit to third party assessments.

### **Recruitment and selection policy**

KPM (UK) is committed to all of its employment practices being fair, compliant with current legislation and reflecting best business practice. The purpose of this policy is to assist the Company in finding the best and most talented individuals to fill its vacancies in a timely and efficient manner. This policy sets out the process and rationale for recruitment and selection at KPM (UK), illustrating how resourcing is managed fairly and consistently throughout the business, ensuring that these practices are lawful, balanced and impartial.

### **Recruitment of Temporary Staff Policy**

KPM (UK) uses only specified, reputable employment agencies to source labour and always verifies the practices of any new agency it is using before accepting workers from that agency. Temporary staff are recruited on the basis of their skills, qualifications, experience, potential and motivation, regardless of gender, race, ethnic origin, sexuality, religion, marital status, age or disability.



### **Dignity at work policy**

KPM (UK) is committed to providing a working environment that ensures that all employees are treated fairly, equally and decently, we believe that everyone has the right to be treated with dignity and respect. Harassment or bullying can cause fear, stress, anxiety and it can, therefore, affect job satisfaction and an individual's morale. We regard any form of harassment and bullying as totally unacceptable behaviour and we will not permit it or condone it in any form. Everyone has a personal responsibility for their own behaviour and a duty of care to treat each other with dignity and respect. This includes individuals being aware of the appropriateness of their conduct, making sure that their own behaviour does not cause offence or misunderstanding. Furthermore if any employee is witness to conduct which contravenes the Dignity at Work policy it is their responsibility to report this to their manager.

### **Worker's representation**

KPM (UK) recognises and respects each employees right to freedom of association and actively engage with employees through our Staff and Works Committees.



### **Whistleblowing policy**

KPM (UK) encourages all its workers, customers and other business partners to report any concerns related to the direct activities, or the supply chains of, KPM (UK). This includes any circumstances that may give rise to an enhanced risk of slavery or human trafficking. KPMUK's whistleblowing procedure is designed to make it easy for workers to make disclosures, without fear of retaliation. All KPM (UK) employees wherever they work in the world are encouraged to see that protecting KPMUKs integrity is their responsibility and have access to a reporting process so that they can raise any concerns they may have. All disclosures are referred to KPM (UK) HR Department who then passes the report to a senior executive at KPM (UK) for investigation. All disclosures are treated in confidence and no one is adversely treated for making a report.



## Training on Slavery and Human Trafficking

So that the procedures are properly understood and applied, KPM (UK) recognises that it must ensure that it has given its employees the right training. KPM (UK) carries out continuous relevant job specific training for all its employees.

In addition, the business will be identifying those departments where ethical compliance is particularly relevant (for example, Senior Management, Human Resources, Sales and Procurement) where there is a greater likelihood for these employees to be exposed to ethical issues.



KPM (UK) will require all staff directly involved with the Supply Chain and HR to complete training on

modern slavery. KPMUK's modern slavery training is yet to be defined, but will cover areas such as:

- Our business's purchasing practices, which influence supply chain conditions and which should therefore be designed to prevent purchases at unrealistically low prices, the use of labour engaged on unrealistically low wages or wages below a country's national minimum wage, or the provision of products by an unrealistic deadline;
- How to assess the risk of slavery and human trafficking in relation to various aspects of the business, including resources and support available;
- How to identify the signs of slavery and human trafficking;
- What initial steps should be taken if slavery or human trafficking is suspected;
- How to escalate potential slavery or human trafficking issues to the relevant parties within the organisation;

- What messages, business incentives or guidance can be given to suppliers and other business partners and contractors to implement anti-slavery policies; and
- What steps the organisation should take if suppliers or contractors do not implement anti-slavery policies in high-risk scenarios, including their removal from the organisation's supply chains.
- The Awareness Raising Programme has now been implemented and communicated to all staff through our corporate communication portals



***Awareness-raising programme***

As well as training staff, the organisation has raised awareness of modern slavery issues creating an awareness presentation for all staff outlining the basic principles of the Modern Slavery Act 2015;

- how we can identify and prevent slavery and human trafficking;
  - what we can do to flag up potential slavery or human trafficking issues to the relevant parties within KPM (UK);
- and
- what external help is available, for example through the Modern Slavery Helpline.

Modern Slavery Act Awareness Training  
Presentation.pptx

***Evolving Approach to Slavery and Human Trafficking Risk in the Supply Chain***

As our programme progresses, we will prioritise potentially higher risk suppliers for the mitigation measures we implement.

These may include:

- seeking to obtain more reliable and granular data, by investigating our labour practices, and those of our suppliers, to ensure no slavery or force labour are present in the organisation or by any of our suppliers .
- a detailed review of existing supplier information;
- supplier self-assessment questionnaires
- declarations and audits of selected suppliers.
- actively engaging with all existing and new suppliers to sign up to our Supplier Code of Conduct or to evidence their own compliant Corporate code



**As our knowledge and understanding increases, we will put in place all the necessary processes, procedures, investigations and compliance systems to support ethical procurement and best business practices.**

# Modern Slavery Act

# Awareness aligned to the Kawasaki Charter

## Modern Slavery Act – Knowledge Insight

### What is Human Trafficking?

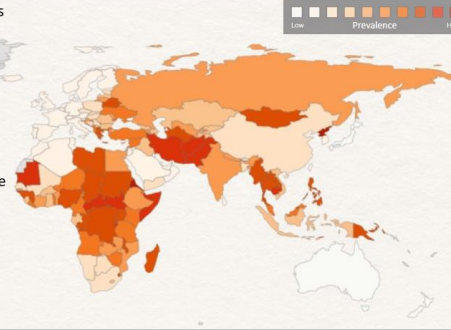
Trafficking in persons is a serious crime and a grave violation of human rights. Every year, thousands of men, women and children fall into the hands of traffickers, in their own countries and abroad. Almost every country in the world is affected by trafficking, whether as a country of origin, transit or destination for victims.

Human trafficking has been likened to modern-day slavery that subjects children, women and men through force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of commercial, sexual exploitation or forced labour. This practice can include prostitution and sex tourism as well as labour for domestic service, factory or construction work and migrant farming.



## Modern Slavery Act - FACTS

- There is an estimated 5.5 million child victims of trafficking
- Anyone can be trafficked regardless of class, education, gender, or age when forcefully coerced or lured by false promises.
- Victims suffer from physical, emotional, and sexual abuse and rarely have access to an education or to health care.
- Contrary to a common misconception, people don't necessarily have to be transported across borders for trafficking to take place. In fact, transporting or moving the victim doesn't necessarily define trafficking.
- When children are trafficked, no violence or coercion needs to be involved. Simply bringing them into exploitative conditions constitutes trafficking.



## Modern Slavery Act - Human trafficking in Numbers

The International Labour Organization estimates that there are [40.3 million victims of human trafficking globally](#).

81% of them are trapped in forced labour.  
25% of them are children.  
75% are women and girls.

The number of prosecutions World wide in 2017 totalled 17,880  
Between 2008 and 2016 the number of human trafficking victims identified Worldwide [more than doubled from 30,961 to 66,520](#).



## Modern Slavery Act - A different take on the Kawasaki Charter

## Modern Slavery Act – What Can I Do?



### Ways to take action

- **Avoid** products and companies that facilitate Human trafficking. Human trafficking often operates alongside legitimate businesses. From chocolate companies to electronics producers, a number of businesses use human trafficking and forced labour as a means to make the most profit on their product.
- **Do** your research make sure that your investments are socially responsible and benefit companies that don't take advantage of Modern Slavery.
- **Raise** awareness, spread the word about trafficking and help others to gain a better understanding of what is really going on. You are a powerful voice in your business and community.

Plan

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**PLAN** - KPM UK want to understand our supply chains including our labour providers and recruiters, services, subcontractors and distributors, supporting them as we move into future partnerships dedicated to reducing Modern Slavery in all its forms.

**LEARN** - Take time to learn the indicators of human trafficking so that you can help to identify a potential trafficking victim. Keep Learning. Visit the KPM UK website to read our Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement.

Visit [www.kpm-uk.co.uk/About-KPM/Slavery-Human-Trafficking-Statement](http://www.kpm-uk.co.uk/About-KPM/Slavery-Human-Trafficking-Statement)

**EMPOWER** - At KPM UK we are proud to be able to empower our employees with the confidence to report instances where they feel that a person is a victim of Modern Slavery

**RESPECT** - We hope that all KPM UK employees have consideration for Human Rights, work environment and occupational safety.

**COMMIT**- Be a conscientious and informed consumer. Discover your slavery footprint, ask who picked you strawberries or who made your clothes, only then can we move together on Modern Slavery eradication.





In our 2018/19 statement we made a commitment to report on the following priorities and this table details our key points of action and our next steps for 2020

Action 2019	Outcome 2019	Next steps 2020
Ongoing monitoring of supply chain	Ongoing monitoring of supply chain	Ongoing monitoring of our supply chain
Continue deployment of Supplier Code of Conduct as much as is practicable to the rest of supply chain and 3 key indirect service suppliers	All high risk suppliers, 26 strategic suppliers and 3 key indirect service providers have either signed the Code or provided evidence of their own compliant Corporate Code of Conduct.	Ongoing deployment of Code of Conduct to the remaining suppliers.
Ongoing action in accordance with established audit programme	Supplier audit programme established. Progress being made to include specific requirements within audit process	In progress – all strategic suppliers to be audited on a rolling basis Programme of deployment to be established
Detailed review and investigation of awareness programmes that are appropriate and relevant to our staff population	Detailed review undertaken and proposals for general awareness programme complete. Development of Employee Awareness Presentation complete and transmitted	Ongoing Communication programme to maintain general awareness to all staff through Business Information screens and link to our Company Values

In the year ahead we will continue to work on our actions and to report transparently on the whole breadth of our activity, to ensure that we address the issues we find relating to Modern Slavery within our business dealings and that these remain a priority within our Company.



To view all our past statements please use the following link:  
[KAWASAKI PRECISION MACHINERY \(UK\) LIMITED Modern Slavery Act Statements](https://www.kawasakiprecisionmachinery.co.uk/modern-slavery-act-statements)  
[| tiscreport.org](https://www.tiscreport.org)

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**“Global Kawasaki”**