



SC221 GENERAL FOREST ACCESS RULES AND SAFETY BEHAVIOUR FOR BUSINESS PERMIT HOLDERS

WARNING: THE FOREST IS A MULTIPLE HAZARD WORKPLACE

GENERAL

- **ALL vehicles require an access permit.**
- **Fires are NOT permitted.**
- **In case of emergency call 111.**
- Unless authorised do not cut, fell or remove any live or dead trees, shrubs or other forest produce.
- Firewood permits are only available to forest workers.
- Keep within the forest boundaries noted on your access permit.
- Always follow instructions of security (FIRST Security) and Timberlands Limited staff – be courteous.
- If you observe any unsafe or suspicious activity contact FIRST Security 07 347 0297.
- Every permit holder must carry with them photographic identification along with their Access Permit.
- There will be no re-assignment of permits.
- No firearms. Recreational permits must be obtained for hunting and fishing access.
- All people using the forests must comply with New Zealand law.
- Always be courteous to other forest users.
- For further instructions and access instructions please refer to your permit, the TL website (www.tll.co.nz).

DRIVING

- **HEADLIGHTS ON LOW BEAM AT ALL TIMES – BE SEEN**
- **Always drive to the road conditions**
 - **Drive so you can stop safely within half the visible road distance ahead.**
- Observe the speed limits within the forest:
 - Sealed roads up to 100km/hr
 - Unsealed arterial (main 2 lane) up to 80km/hr
 - Other up to 50km/hr
- The provisions of the New Zealand Road Code must be observed.
- All vehicles will meet Ministry of Transport (M.O.T.) standards for Vehicle Registration, Warrant of Fitness (W.O.F) or Certificate of Fitness (C.O.F).
- Keep left at all times.
- Park safely – as far off road edges as is practicable.

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- Always be prepared to give way to loaded logging trucks. Off highway trucks can be up to twice as long as those on the highway and are significantly wider and heavier. Off highway trucks may travel more slowly and need much more room to manoeuvre.
- Do not drive in a dust cloud – pull over until the dust settles.
- No motorbikes, MTV, quad bikes (unless with the express approval of TL).
- No horses or bicycles (except in Whakarewarewa Forest).

GENERAL HAZARDS

Please Report new hazards to the Radio Room or Timberlands Limited (07 343 1070)

Remoteness / Working Alone

- Take an effective means of communication in case of emergency i.e. cell phone.
- Advise the Radio Room, colleagues, family or friends of your plans - give them a location and estimated time of return.
- Persons working alone must have a current first aid certificate.

Forest Operations

- Follow all warning signs.
- Do not enter operational areas without permission from the operator.
- Stay well clear of any machinery.

Poisoning Operations

- Do not enter area(s) sign posted as having poison on site.
- Never touch any pellets or paste/flour on the ground or in plant containers
- Refer to the current poison map for locations – supplied by FIRST Security or on www.tll.co.nz

Road Washouts

- Drive to the conditions and beware of washouts, ruts and other road obstacles.

Hazardous Trees

- Watch out for hung up trees and branches, falling objects and uprooted trees.
- Avoid unstable and leaning trees.
- Stay out of the forest on windy days.
- Report hazardous trees to the Radio Room or Timberlands Limited

Fire Ponds

- Keep away from fire ponds.

Firearms (during hunting season and poachers)

- Stay away from people with firearms
- If you hear shots fired, leave the area
- Wear hi-vis clothing

**FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN TRESPASS ACTION OR
CONTRACTUAL REMEDY**

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