



WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

GENERAL FOREST ACCESS RULES AND SAFETY BEHAVIOUR REGULATIONS

WARNING: THE FOREST IS A MULTI HAZARD WORKPLACE

GENERAL

- **ALL vehicles require an access permit.**
- **Fires are NOT permitted - Smoking is not permitted.**
- **In case of emergency call 111.**
- Unless authorized. do not cut, fell or remove any live or dead trees, shrubs or other forest produce.
- No firearms or hunting.
- No firewood collection.
- 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 0800 347 787.
- Every permit holder must carry with them photographic identification along with their Access Permit.
- There will be no assignment of permits.
- No additional vehicles brought in on one permit.
- The vehicle driver must be nominated on the vehicle permit – no other drivers are permitted.
- All people using the forests must comply with New Zealand law.
- Always be courteous to other forest users.
- The purpose of access will be specified on the permit – no other activity can take place other than the purpose specified.
- Use of chainsaws is not permitted for track maintenance unless separate permission has been obtained by TL.
- No passing on gate keys.
- Follow gate rules:
 - Red – leave locked
 - Orange – leave as found
 - Green – leave open

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- For further instructions and access instructions please refer to your permit, or the TL website (www.tll.co.nz).

DRIVING

- **HEADLIGHTS ON LOW BEAM AT ALL TIMES – BE SEEN**
- **Always drive to the road conditions and be prepared to stop within half the visible road distance ahead.**
- Observe the speed limits within the forest:
 - As sign posted (8 Mile Gate and Waipa Bypass)
 - 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.
- Always be prepared to give way to loaded logging trucks.
- Do not drive in a dust cloud – pull over until the dust settles.
- No motorbikes, MTV, quad bikes.

GENERAL HAZARDS

Remoteness - communication

- Take a means of communication in case of emergency i.e. cell phone.
- Advise family/friends of your plans - give them a location and estimated time of return.

Forest Operations

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

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.

Fire Ponds

- Keep away from fire ponds.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN YOUR PERMIT REVOKED,
TRESPASS ACTION OR CONTRACTUAL REMEDY**

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