

Standard Conditions - Forest Permit (Activity)

PLEASE NOTE:

The following standard conditions apply to all Forest Permits (Activity).

Additional activity-specific and site-specific conditions will also be applied to final approved permits.

CONDITIONS

- The Permittee shall indemnify and hold indemnified Forestry Corporation of NSW, its officers, agents and employees against any claim by any person for damage to property or injury to persons arising out of or as a consequence of or incidental to the conduct of the specified activity.
- 2. The Permittee and the Participants will in no way hold Forestry Corporation of NSW responsible for any damage to their property or for any personal injuries to themselves or to any other person associated with them in the specified activity.
- 4. The Permittee will accept full responsibility for any damage caused to any property of Forestry Corporation of NSW including roads, resulting from the conduct of the specified activity and will effect without delay repairs to such damage to the satisfaction of the Senior Manager or alternatively, if in the opinion of the Senior Manager, such repairs are being unduly delayed or if it is impracticable for the Permittee to carry them out, pay in advance to the office of the Senior Manager the amount determined to his satisfaction to be the full estimated cost of such repairs.
- 5. All vehicles used during the specified activity must be properly registered for operation on a public street and driven by persons duly licensed to operate them. The requirements of all statutes, regulations and licences must be complied with.
- 6. This Permit shall be carried by the Permittees (or, if more than one Permittee, by one of them) at all times during the conduct of the activity and shall be produced for inspection upon the request of an officer of Forestry Corporation of NSW.
- 7. The Permittee and participants and other persons associated with the specified activity shall, in the event of any accident involving domestic livestock depastured with due authority on the forest, hold blameless the owner of such livestock.
- 8. The Permittee shall ensure that all persons associated with the specified activity shall comply with the provisions of the *Forestry Regulation 2012* and the *Rural Fires Act 1997*. The minimum requirements, unless varied by special condition, for the lighting and/or maintenance of fires will be:
 - (a) The lighting or maintaining of fires is prohibited other than in properly constructed fire places or other receptacles as approved by the Senior Manager, and should be surrounded for at least two metres by ground cleared of all combustible matter and not within 4.5 metres of any log, stump or tree.
 - (b) No fire, once lit, shall be left unattended at any time.
 - (c) No person shall place, drop or throw any lighted cigarette, tobacco, cigar or match unless it is immediately and completely extinguished.
- The Permittee shall, if he/she does not intend to proceed with and complete the specified activity on any specific date, so notify the Senior Manager as soon as possible after making that determination.
- 10. If in the opinion of the Senior Manager it should be necessary for Forestry Corporation of NSW to provide any supervision of the specified activity, the amount determined to the satisfaction of the Senior Manager to be the cost of such supervision shall be paid in advance by the Permittee to the Senior Manager.
- 11. If required by the Senior Manager the Permittee shall attend joint inspections of the route prior to and after the event for the assessment of pre-existing conditions and for the assessment of damage.

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- 12. The Permittee shall so organise and conduct the specified activity so as to avoid any undue interference with or disturbance of any native animals or domestic stock, and the Permittee shall compensate the owner for any damage to the stock or property of any occupant, licensee, lessee, or permittee upon the forest and for any costs incurred by him/her as a result of the dispersal of stock caused by or arising out of the conduct of the specified activity.
- 13. The Permittee must ensure that no motor vehicle shall be driven on other than a constructed road or trail on the agreed route at any time. The Permittee shall obtain prior approval from the Senior Manager for any change to the agreed location of activities.
- 14. The Permittee shall comply with any directions given by an officer of Forestry Corporation of NSW in relation to the activity and shall not contravene the direction given in any control sign. Forestry Corporation of NSW reserves the right to redirect or cancel the activity when one or more of the following conditions prevail in the vicinity of the specified activity:
 - a) Logging operations or other forestry activities;
 - b) Bush fire, planned hazard reduction burning or conditions of very high fire danger;
 - c) Very wet or windy conditions; or
 - d) Road damage is likely to occur.
- 15. If required by the Senior Manager the Permittee shall place warning signs to the satisfaction of the Senior Manager and staff control points to warn the general public of the event taking place, which in no way reduced the responsibility of Forestry Corporation of NSW to affect the closure of the forest.
- 16. Temporary signs and route indicators may be tied or stapled to trees (using paper staplers only). Signs must not be nailed or screwed to any tree. All temporary signs and indicators must be removed from the forest by the Permittee immediately after the event.
- 17. The Permittee shall immediately notify an officer or employee of Forestry Corporation of NSW of the outbreak of any fire and shall require all participants in the activity to make all reasonable efforts to suppress and extinguish the fire.
- 18. Liquid fuel shall not be stored (other than in fuel tanks of machines) nor shall machines be refuelled unless authorised by, and in accordance with conditions issued by, the Senior Manager.
- 19. Any gates opened for the purpose of, or in the course of, the specified activity shall be closed after participants have passed through them. The Permittee shall ensure that stock do not stray through such gateways.
- 20. Where approval has been given and unforeseen circumstances, including dangerous, wet or extreme fire conditions, arise either before or during the event, such approval may be cancelled or amended without notice.
- 21. The Permittee shall, after completion of the specified event, remove all litter which may have been deposited on the State Forest by any participant, or other person associated with the conduct of the specified activity, or being a spectator thereto, including vehicles and parts thereto or pay to the office of the Senior Manager in advance the amount determined to the satisfaction of the Senior Manager to be the estimated cost of disposal of the litter.
- 22. The Permittee shall take out and keep current for the term of this Permit, a Public Liability Policy for an amount not less than \$20,000,000.00 (twenty million dollars) per claim.
- 23. The Permittee shall provide a Certificate of Currency completed by the insurer to Forestry Corporation of NSW confirming that the appropriate Public Liability Policy cover is in place.
- 24. The Permittee shall ensure that persons involved in the specified activity do not, without the prior approval of Forestry Corporation of NSW:
 - a. Cut, disturb or remove trees or undergrowth, forest materials or products on State Forest;
 - Establish or construct campsites on the State Forest; or
 - c. Construct improvements on the State Forest.

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- 25. Forestry Corporation of NSW reserves the right to issue other Permits or Authorities over the subject area and the issue of this Permit does not confer any rights for exclusive use of the subject area.
- 26. The Permittee shall not interfere with the lawful rights of any person authorised to access the area.
- 27. The Permittee shall not carry or discharge any firearms on State Forest.
- 28. The Permittee shall not take, harm, kill, trap or disturb any fauna.
- 29. Forestry Corporation of NSW makes no guarantee as to the condition or trafficability of any road or track, which is to be used for the specified activity.
- The Permittee shall submit to Forestry Corporation of NSW details of the intended route and facilities to be used during the specified activity and shall only use routes as approved by the Senior Manager.
- 31. The Permittee shall not use approved routes during periods of wet weather when the surface of the road or track is likely to be damaged by the passage of vehicles used during the conduct of the specified activity.
- 32. The Permit is not transferable without Forestry Corporation of NSW written consent.
- 33. The Permittee must participate in any familiarisation process requested by Forestry Corporation of NSW in relation to the permit and the relevant forest.
- 34. Where practical, the Permittee must acknowledge in any promotional material that the activity is taking place on State Forest.
- 35. Where practical, the location of any photos taken on State Forest and used in any promotional material must be acknowledged as being taken on State Forest in the caption attached to each photo.
- 36. The Permittee will notify Forestry Corporation of NSW within five working days (24 hours if it is a fatality or major incident) via the attached Incident Reporting Form of any injury to an event participate or spectator of which the Permittee is aware of that requires transport to hospital.
- 37. The Permittee acknowledges that the speed limit in all NSW State Forests is 60km/h unless otherwise signposted.
- 38. The Permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit non-compliance constitutes a breach of the *Forestry Act 2012* and the regulations and is grounds for suspension and / or cancellation of the permit.
- 39. Special Activity Conditions for 4WD Association annual state-wide permit.

Definitions:

- 4WD: Four wheel drive/driving
- 4WDA: Four Wheel Drive Association (the subject of this permit)
- FCNSW: Forestry Corporation of NSW
- 1. Affiliated Clubs <u>must</u> notify their local FCNSW representative of any proposed visits, events or activities in NSW State Forest which involve:
 - a) 10 or more vehicles, or
 - b) 50 or more participants, or
 - c) May considered site-intensive by nature (including training activities, inter-club events, regional events) or
 - d) Involve overnight stays in NSW State Forest

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If there is any doubt about whether a scheduled visit, event or activity is covered under this permit condition, the affiliated Club must contact their local FCNSW representative to discuss their visit, event or activity.

- 2. This permit does not include commercial four wheel drive enterprises that are members of an affiliated club. Commercial operators are excluded from this permit and must apply and obtain their own Forest Permit from FCNSW for activities within NSW State Forest. This includes, for example, tag-along tours, 4WD training and other commercial products. Such additional Forest Permits will attract the usual fees and charges associated with the FCNSW Forest Permit system.
- 3. 4WD events which fall into any of the categories listed in non-standard condition 1 a), 1 b), 1 c) or 1 d) may be required to apply for a separate Forest Permit for their event if that event is deemed outside the scope of this permit by FCNSW. This includes, for example, inter-club or large regional events which are not covered by the current permit. Such additional Forest Permits will attract the usual fees and charges associated with the FCNSW Forest Permit system.
- 4. Affiliated Clubs may wish to undertake specific projects in NSW State Forests from time to time e.g. cleanups, weed removal or other projects supported by the local FCNSW contact/representative. Such projects must be discussed with the local FCNSW representative and formal approval gained before any project may be undertaken.
- 5. Affiliated Clubs that are carrying out an approved project activity must provide appropriate documentation to the local FCNSW representative as required. At a minimum this would include consideration of site safety (site safety plan), emergency response and evacuation (emergency evacuation plan) and a map of the proposed project area.
- 6. The 4WDA agrees to provide training and advice as required to affiliated Clubs with regards to site safety, risk assessment and what to do in the case of a medical emergency.
- 7. Affiliated Clubs must adhere to the 4WDA Codes of Conduct and related policies.
- 8. Usage fees for 2018 will be \$2.20 per affiliated club member.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and	d understood and agree to abide by these conditions:	
Signed	Date	
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On behalf of		
Organisation		

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