

General Access Permit: Terms and Conditions



Everyone who enters City Forests is required to carry a permit issued in their name.

This permit is not transferrable and may be cancelled by a forest officer. You must comply with all reasonable directions given by forest officers, especially in regard to the prevention or suppression of fires.

TAKE CARE!

Maximum speed on forest roads is 50kmph.

There may be other people in the forests.

YOU are responsible for your safety and the safety of others.

Please report any sightings of NZ Falcon (Karearea) to City Forests, and if Falcon are defending territory by dive-bombing you then back out of area immediately. Advise City Forests at permits@cityforests.co.nz

Terms and conditions:

- Restrictions:** Access is ONLY for the activity and location noted on your permit. It DOES NOT include Firewood collection or Camping. Firearms / weapons / hunting are not permitted. Any key issued to you is not to be lent to any other person.
- Fires:** **DO NOT light fires in our forests. No smoking in our forests**
A fire permit from Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) is required for all fires within 1 km of our forests.
A CFL Hot Works permits is required for all Hot Works activities within our forests and must be available during the activity.
A 30-minute patrol of the work area must be completed after any Hot Works activities – checking for sparks or potential heat sources.
A functioning spark arrestor must be fitted to non-turbo vehicles, chainsaws, and combustion engines (petrol powered tools, generators, fuel transfer pumps etc)
If you see smoke or fire within or threatening our forests, Dial 111.
Report all fires; regardless of their size; or if they have been extinguished.
- Hazards:** WARNING: Strong winds and heavy rain may cause trees to become unstable. Please avoid entering the forest when such conditions exist and during periods following heavy rain. Other hazards may also exist – please take care. City Forests encourages you to report any hazards or activity that may cause damage to the forest. Harvesting and Forestry Operations may be working seven days a week. Obey all operational signage. DO NOT enter operational areas unless you have authorisation. Don't walk on or near log stacks and machines. There may be heavy vehicle traffic. E.g.: logging trucks. You enter the forest entirely at your own risk and City Forests will in no way be responsible for any accident or injury howsoever caused on City Forests' land to any person or any property.
- Poisons:** Poisons and traps are used in the forest. Do not touch any baits, lures, carcasses or traps – see the contractors warning signs at City Forests' entrances. City Forests accepts no responsibility for the effects of any poisons.
- Vehicles:** All vehicles entering the forest must have up to date vehicle insurance including public liability cover and are required to carry a **1 kg fire extinguisher and a shovel**. Observe normal road rules. Apply greater caution to allow for forest road conditions and heavy vehicle traffic. E.g.: logging trucks. In order to allow emergency access please do not block forest roads. **Travel with head lights on dip within the forest.**
- Motor Cycles:** Motorcycles must have exhaust spark arresters fitted.
- Gates:** Gates to be left as found. **Do not drive through open gates, you will get locked in.** In order to allow emergency access do not block gate entrances. If a key is issued gates are to be locked when you enter or exit the forest.
- Neighbours:** Do not enter neighbouring properties without first obtaining their permission.
- Trees:** The taking of standing trees of any species is prohibited. No native trees / wood is to be taken from the forest under any circumstances.
- Damage:** The permit holder hereby agrees to indemnify City Forests against any claims, suits or demands which may arise from damage caused by them or anyone named in this permit whilst in or near our forests.
- Littering:** No rubbish or garden waste is to be dumped in the Forest. Offenders will be trespassed and may be prosecuted.
- Hi-viz:** City Forests encourages the use of hi-viz clothing for all people using the forest for recreation to assist in maintaining personal safety.
- No Alcohol:** No alcohol is to be consumed in the forest.
- Children:** Children (persons less than 16 years old) entering the forest must be supervised by an adult at all times.

Failure to observe the conditions of this permit will result in this permit being revoked.
City Forests needs your assistance to keep our forests safe. Your assistance is being the eyes and ears of the forests. If you see any hazards or if you notice any suspicious activities please take a note of details or vehicle registration and report these activities to our office (03) 467 7730.

Security Cameras are operating in the Forest.

DIAL 111 TO REPORT FIRES OR OTHER EMERGENCIES