

Hunting Permit: Terms and Conditions

Everyone who enters City Forests is required to clearly display their permit in their vehicle at all times.

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!

There may be other people in the forests.

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

Terms and conditions:

Restrictions:	Access is <u>ONLY</u> for daylight hours on weekends. Access is <u>ONLY</u> for the activity and location noted on your permit. It <u>DOES NOT</u> include Firewood collection. Guns are restricted to a maximum of three per permit.
Fires:	DO NOT light fires. No smoking in our forests. The provisions of the Forest and Rural Forest Act 1977 and Regulations 2005 (<u>extracts below</u>) must be strictly complied with. Every person commits an offence that, at any time wilfully or negligently throws or drops or leaves any lighted, burning or smouldering substance in a forest or within a 1.5km boundary. Every person commits an offence that sets fires or assists to set on fire in the open to any vegetation or combustible material. This includes, but not by way of limitation, barbeques and camp fires. Any person who becomes aware of a fire burning unattended in the open air in the forest, or within 1.5km of a forest, shall do everything reasonable within his / her power to extinguish the fire shall immediately notify the nearest forest officer as fast as possible and endeavour to control and extinguish the fire until it is brought under control, or until he / she obtains approval of a fire officer to desist.
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. <u>DO NOT</u> 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.
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.
Neighbours:	Do not enter neighbouring properties <u>without</u> 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.
Laws:	All holders of hunting permits must adhere to the Arms Act 1983 and the Arms Regulations 1992.
Dogs:	Dogs are restricted to a maximum of four per permit. In the advent that you lose your dogs while hunting, contact neighbouring landowners so they are aware of missing dogs. Dogs that are worrying stock may be shot.
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.