

Prescription 21

Variable Lift Pruning (v.2004) Schedule 7 (a) (i)

Forest:	<hr/>			Coordinator:	<hr/>		
Block/Stand:	<hr/>			Contractor:	<hr/>		
Emergency Site:	<hr/>			Location (road):	<hr/>		
Prune Lift:	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	Treatment Area:	ha		
Current Prune Stocking:	sph			Target Prune Stocking:	sph		
Total Stocking:	sph			Acceptable Range:	sph		
Current Prune Height:	m			Target Length of Lift:	m		
Gauge Size:	cm	or		Maximum Prune Height:	m		
Additional Requirements:	<hr/>						

<<<< **Remove all branches from roads/roadsides and place behind stand-edge trees** >>>>

Selection Criteria: Trees shall be selected for pruning in the following order of importance....

- 1) Previously Pruned, Healthy stems
- 2) Tree Vigour - Dominant or Co-dominant in size and health
- 3) Tree Form - Straight and Single-leadered if possible
- 4) Small Branching
- 5) Tree Spacing

If the prescribed stocking is not achievable, then trees with the following defects may be selected..

- 1) Butt Sweep below 1.0m
- 2) Kink or Wobble less than one diameter deviation of the stem
- 3) Lean less than 5 degrees (deviation of 100mm at 1.4m)
- 4) Large Branch less than 100mm
- 5) Kink, Wobble, Fork, Multi-leader, Large Branch defects occurring above 4.5m

Quality Criteria: Trees selected for pruning shall have all of the following removed....

- 1) Branches up to the prescribed prune height or internode diameter
- 2) Alive and Dead Twigs
- 3) Alive and Dead Epicormics
- 4) Alive and Dead Needles
- 5) Stem Cones

Without the following faults....

- 1) Collar Damage
- 2) Stem Damage
- 3) Branch-tear
- 4) Feathering
- 5) Coat-hangers

Note: Pruning shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the following....

- 1) Prescription and Contract Job Specifications for Variable Lift Pruning
- 2) Pan Pac Forest Products Forest Operations Handbook
- 3) Approved Code of Practice for Safety and Health in Forest Operations
- 4) Best Practice Guidelines for Silviculture Pruning

Coordinator:

Contractor:

Date: