

## PRESCRIPTION 22

### Stand-edge Variable Lift Pruning (V.2004)

Forest:		Co-ordinator:	
Block / Stand:		Contractor:	
Emergency Site:		Location (road):	
Prune Lift:	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Depth of Stand-edge:	m
Current Prune Height:	m	Target Length of Lift:	m
Length of Stand-edge:	m	Target Prune Stems:	/100m
Gauge Size:	cm	<b>or</b> Maximum Prune Height	m
Additional Requirements:			

<<<< *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 4.5

**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 Operation
- 4) Best Practice Guidelines for Silviculture Pruning

**Co-ordinator:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contractor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_