Enforcement of Road, and Radio Use Policies

Road and Radio Use Policy

This Policy defines the Road, Radio and Enforcement rules and requirements applicable to the use of Chinook Comfor LP. (collectively referred to as the "Company") Permitted Road Systems ("Permitted Roads")

General Requirements

All drivers of vehicles operating on Permitted Roads assume responsibility for operating in a **SAFE, COURTEOUS** and **LEGAL** manner.

This Policy is consistent with the May 1, 2010 Nadina Road Safety Management Group Road and Radio Policies for use in the Nadina Forest District. Note that these Policies are in addition to any rules and requirements of the Criminal Code, Motor Vehicle Act and it's Regulations, the Worker's Compensation Act and its Regulations and the Industrial Transportation Act ans its Regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Permitted Roads are public roads and public use can occur at any time. The Permitted Roads are "Radio Assisted", meaning two-way radios are to be used to assist in **traffic control.** Public users may not have a two-way radio. **DRIVE TO THE ROAD, NOT THE RADIO.**

All persons working under contract with the Company are required to comply with the Company's Road, Radio and Use Policy. Industrial users of Permitted Roads not under contract with the Company must obtain a Road Use Agreement prior to their use of Permitted Roads. **COMPANY CONTRACT CLAUSES AND ROAD USE AGREEMENTS CONTAIN MONITORING ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS FOR THIS ROAD USE POLICY, INCLUDING PENALTY PROVISIONS.**

Drivers must drive to the condition of the roads, the weather conditions, and the capabilities of the vehicle they are driving. Drivers must not exceed posted speed limits, or where there is no posted limit, the maximum speed limit under BC law on any un posted road, outside a municipality, is 80km/hr. All drivers must slow down when approaching bridges, corners, blind hills, intersections, areas with reduced line of sight and any other potential hazards.

All vehicles operated by the Company or its Contractors and Subcontractors on Permitted Roads are required to have a radio capable of transmitting and receiving

on the applicable road frequencies used by the Company. Drivers of non-radio equipped vehicles should always follow a radio-equipped vehicle.

Procedures

The following are the Nadina Road Safety Management Group Road and Radio Policies for use in the Nadina Forest District:

Forest Road Procedure #1 – DRIVING FOREST ROADS
Forest Road Procedure #2 – RADIO CALLING
Forest Road Procedure #3 – LOW BEDDING/WIDE LOADS
Forest Road Procedure # 4 – ROAD SIGN PLACEMENT

Which can be found at http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/dnd

Supplemental Information

1. **Long Vehicles –** Up Direction; Selected pullouts of sufficient size to accommodate a long vehicle are marked on main roads with the location of the pullout.
2. **All Employers/Contractors** will be responsible for the distribution and review of this Policy (including updates), with their Subcontractors and employees.
3. **Road Maintenance;** Ground crews will post warning signs on both sides of where they are working. Traffic must pass at a safe reduced speed, and must be prepared to stop.
4. **Emergency Vehicles;** Emergency vehicles responding to an emergency situation have priority **(UP or DOWN directions)** over all other industrial vehicles and radio traffic.
5. **Graders;** Graders, while grading, all to call all km posts whether grading in the **UP** direction or **Down** direction.
6. **Road Safety Reporting;** All road users should report road safety deficiencies to Company supervisors immediately.

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1. **General:**

   a. Compliance with the Road and Radio Use Policy is required of all industrial road users using Permitted Roads.

   b. Compliance monitoring will be undertaken using a systematic third-party audit process, as well as by road users themselves (Babine Forest Products staff, Contractor and Subcontractor employees, and truck drivers), and

   c. The Enforcement Program will consist of a "Demerit" points system with escalating penalties, administered by Company staff reporting to the Road Use Sub-Committee. In the interests of fairness, identified problems will be determined to be verifiable or not. 'Verifiable' means that the issue or problem can be clearly verified to have happened at a specific time and place (such as, for example, a radar speed readout).

2. **Monitoring:**

   a. A third-party contractor (Safety Compliance Officer) will monitor Road, Radio, and Tug/Barge use. The monitoring will be systematic but will occur at random times and locations. The third-party contractor is expected to be familiar with the Permitted Roads and road users. Noncompliance issues will be documented on the appropriate form by the Safety Compliance Officer.

   b. Road users will also monitor Permitted Road and Radio use during their daily activities. Non-compliance issues must be documented with specifics and must be provided to a Company or Contractor supervisor, or may be placed in the box at the scale house. The near miss form (EMS Form 0342) is the recommended form to use.

   c. **Enforcement:**

   The Company will administer the Enforcement Program, which will consist of:

      i. Tabulating the results of the monitoring program,
      ii. determining if the incident/problem is verifiable,
      iii. assigning demerit point(s), as applicable,
      iv. tracking demerit points,
      v. enforcing penalties, and managing the appeal process.

Radio Use	DP	Road Use	DP	Other	DP
Not Calling: Kms per Policy, when entering road, when road is blocked Using road/landmark nicknames	2	General Speeding: • passing mtce equip too fast or unsafely, • driving too fast for conditions	2	Unsafe loads • obvious sweepers, • excessive height above the stakes, • loose load straps • no load flags First offence Second offence	 1 2
Switching channels: • without pulling over, • loaded log truck , • when loading on barge	3	Specific speeding: 0-10 km over 11-20km over 21-30km over	- 2 3	Improper use of chains (pattern of poor use), or Not carrying chains (heavy industrial vehicles)	1
Unnecessary Chatter:	2	Failure to follow posted signs (Stop/Yield)	1	Not displaying Vehicle ID plate	1
Use of non business audio devices	1	Clearing traffic: **UP** traffic not clearing **DOWN** traffic properly	2	Miss-Calling (improper sequence)	-

d. Demerit points will be assigned based on verifiable offences. Nonvitrifiable and minor offenses will result in a verbal warning. The Tracking period for Demerit points is June 01 to May 31 (annually) and any points assigned during this time period will be cancelled when a new time period begins.

e. Individuals assigned demerit points will be given the opportunity to appeal to the Chinook's Manager, or designate, for consideration. After providing the individual with an opportunity to be heard the Woods Manager will make the final decision.

f. In cases of 'industrial' use of Company Permitted Roads by persons not under control of the Company, the enforcement provisions will be guided by the respective Road Use Agreement and/or Ministry of Forests and Range staff.

3. Penalty:

a. Penalties will be based on accumulated Demerit points:
   i. 1 to 3: **VERBAL WARNING**
   ii. 4 to 6: **WRITTEN WARNING**

iii. 7 to 10: **1 DAY SUSPENSION OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES** on Company Permitted Roads.
iv. 11 or above: **LOSS OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES** on Company Permitted Roads.

NOTE: Notwithstanding the assignment of demerit points, significant breaches of the Road and Radio Policy that pose, or may have posed, a safety hazard (for example, impaired driving) may result in an immediate suspension of driving privileges on all Permitted Roads, and information being forwarded to the RCMP.

b. The Company will be responsible for forwarding written warnings to the Contractor and for enforcing any driving suspension on the Company's employees.

c. The Contractor will be responsible for forwarding written warnings and enforcing any driving suspensions on Contractor employees or Subcontractors.

4. Review:

a. This monitoring and enforcement program is subject to periodic review.

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