

Checklist for Private Woodlot FSC Certification in Ontario

Key Examples of Forest Management Requirements

- Ability to comply with and meet FSC principles and criteria
- Sign Memorandum of Understanding with the EOMF or existing Resource Manager
- Pay annual certification fee
- Prepare forest management plan
- Identify and determine strategy for cultural heritage value features
- Take measures to prevent invasive plant introduction
- Harvest prescription approved and signed by Registered Professional Forester or Associate (if commercial harvesting to take place)
- Contracts in place with all forest workers
- Use certified tree markers
- Use local workers where possible
- Ensure all forest workers have WSIB coverage and liability insurance
- Boundary lines are well established and are not in contention with your neighbours
- Use a bill of lading process for wood tracking
- Efforts made to send wood to a chain of custody mill
- Be aware of areas of concern – some examples include:
 - Hawk nests
 - Deer wintering yards
 - Cavity trees
 - Supercanopy trees

