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To: Regional Executive Directors, North Area, South Area
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**Re: Alternative Method of Scale for Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Sites,
Interior Areas**

Pursuant to Section 5 (1)(c)(iii) of the Scaling Regulation, I approve the alternate method of scale for timber at a location where an authorization for an Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Site has been granted.

For more information please go to: [Timber Pricing Branch - Scaling Page.](#)



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Alternate Method of Scale for Timber at a Location Where an Authorization for an Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Site Has Been Granted.

Under the *Forest Act* Section 96 and under the Scaling Regulation Section 5, I authorize this alternative method of scale for Interior Licensees for timber at a location where an authorization for Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Site has been granted.

The licensee will provide a detailed report for all timber stored in decked piles at the Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Site. The report must be produced by a licenced scaler, authorized to scale in the resource district where the storage sites are located. The reporting must include a summary of estimated volumes of timber by cutting authority (i.e. timber mark & cutblock), and deck IDs shall be identified for each estimated pile volume. The scale must be completed, at a minimum, by the last day of each month timber is delivered to the temporary storage site.

Upon receiving this report, the ministry will utilize FS700 forms and submit them into the Harvest Billing System (HBS). For the purpose of this method of scale, the ministry will use the volume data provided by the licensee. The species and grades submitted used in the FS700 will be based on the species in Chapter 3 of the Scaling Manual and classified by grade in accordance with the Schedule of Interior Timber Grades.

Timber scaled using this alternative method of scale at the Interior Decked Timber Temporary Scale Site and subsequently transported to a destination scale site must be scaled at that site using the procedures outlined in the Scaling Manual. The HBS billing noted above will be reconciled to this replacement scale.

The stumpage rate in effect at the time of the alternate method of scale shall be applied to the replacement scale.

Any decay and checking in the timber resulting from the storage of the timber will not be used to downgrade the timber in the replacement scale.