



**FREE USE PERMIT  
for  
CHRISTMAS TREES**

**AUTHORIZATION TO CUT CHRISTMAS TREES FOR PERSONAL USE**

Harvesting Christmas trees from Crown land without a cutting authority is unlawful. It is also important that Christmas tree cutting not take place on plantations, research & recreation areas, in cut blocks being logged, or on private land without the landowner's permission.

Pursuant to Section 48(1)(a.1) of the *Forest Act*, within the Prince George Natural Resource District, which includes the area around Prince George and the Robson Valley, you may cut and transport up to three (3) Christmas trees for your own personal use, subject to the following conditions:

- You must ensure that you are not cutting on private property (unless you have the landowner's permission);
- You may cut Christmas trees only on vacant Crown land;
- Cutting trees showing obvious signs of use by wildlife is strictly prohibited;
- Stumps should be cut as low as possible, and must not exceed thirty centimetres (30cm) in height;
- The Christmas trees you harvest under this permit cannot be sold.

In an effort to stop unauthorized cutting of Christmas trees, the Ministry of Forests will be carrying out patrols. Enforcement actions may be taken against anyone who is found to be cutting or transporting Christmas trees in an unlawful manner. We ask your cooperation in helping us to stop the unlawful harvesting and selling of Christmas trees.

**THIS AUTHORIZATION IS VALID TO JANUARY 31, 2024.**

For further information, please contact:  
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**Authorized by:**

for and on behalf of,

**Shawn Rice**

District Manager

Prince George Natural Resource District