

EMS - Field Marking Standards for Ribbon/Flagging Tape

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Purpose / Description	Ribbon Colour(s) / Style	Printed Label	Stations / Plots	Comments
Cut Block Boundary	Orange	“BCTS Block Boundary” <i>-OR-</i> “BCTS Block Bndry”	Orange Ribbon with Blue Ribbon & metal survey tag	Used as the outer boundary on all cut-blocks, also used internally around all reserve areas except W.T.P's. Station information to be written on orange ribbon and metal survey tag. All traversed block boundaries must have a metal survey tagged stations and at intervals of approx. 200 m. (Traverses less than 200m must have a minimum 1 (one) metal survey tagged station. Block boundaries must also be painted in orange tree-marking paint when they are a falling boundary.
Wildlife Tree Patch	Orange	“Wildlife Tree Patch”	Orange Ribbon with Blue Ribbon & metal survey tag	Use as the WTP boundaries within block boundary. Station information written on orange ribbon and metal survey tag. All traversed block boundaries must have a metal survey tagged stations and at intervals of approx. 200 m. (Traverses less than 200m must have a minimum 1 (one) metal survey tagged station.. WTP boundaries must also be painted in orange tree-marking paint when they are a falling boundary
SP Plot Location	<i>Refer to Stations / Plots</i>	<i>N/A</i>	Lime Green Ribbon With Red Ribbon	
Cruise Line	Blue	“Cruise Line”	Yellow Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	Chainage information to be written on the yellow ribbon.
Skid Trail	Pink	“Skid Trail”	<i>N/A</i>	
Machine Free Zone	Yellow	“Machine Free Zone”	<i>N/A</i>	

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Caution	Red <i>NOTE: All occurrences of this ribbon MUST be tied with an orange ribbon.</i>	"Caution Zone"	N/A	Both Red "CAUTION ZONE" Ribbon and Orange Ribbon must be tied together in all cases.
Timber/Harvesting Internal Treatment Unit Boundary	Red	"Treatment Unit Boundary"	Red Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	Used wherever a prescribed activity varies within a Unit or Block boundary.
Archaeological Site	<i>Refer to Stations / Plots</i>	N/A	Yellow Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	All labelling to be on the yellow ribbon (i.e. site number, CMT)
Stream Location	Purple / Summer Weight	N/A	N/A	For GPS'd stream location
Special Survey <i>(i.e. root rot)</i>	Red & White / Striped	N/A	Red & White Striped Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	All labelling to be on the red and white striped ribbon
Road Recce	Blue & White / Striped	N/A	N/A	
Road Centerline	Pink	"BCTS Road C/L"	Pink Ribbon With Yellow Ribbon	Chainage information to be written on the yellow ribbon.
Road Right-of-Way	Orange & Black / Striped	N/A	N/A	
Culvert Locations	Lime Green	"Culvert"	Lime Green Ribbon with Yellow Ribbon	Culvert station and size information to be written on the yellow ribbon

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Silviculture Treatment Unit Boundary (Williams Lake Field Team)	Orange	"BCTS Silv Unit"	Orange Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	Used by the WLFT as the outer boundary around all silviculture contract units
Silviculture Treatment Unit Boundary (Quesnel Field Team)	Orange/ Wide Ribbon	"BCTS Silv Unit"	Orange Ribbon With Blue Ribbon	Used by the QFT wherever a prescribed activity varies within a Unit or Block boundary.
Silviculture Survey Line	Blue	N/A	Pink Ribbon with Blue Ribbon	Plot and chainage information to recorded on pink ribbon
Beetle Probe & Recce Lines	Lime Green	N/A	Lime Green Ribbon with Yellow Ribbon	

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APPROVED RIBBON TYPES		
STANDARD RIBBON	LABELLED RIBBON*	
Colour(s) / Style	Colour(s) / Style	Printed Label(s)
Blue	Orange	BCTS BLOCK BOUNDARY
Red	Orange	BCTS BLOCK BNDRY
Pink	Orange	BCTS SILV UNIT
Yellow	Orange / Wide	BCTS SILV UNIT
Lime Green		
Red & White / Striped	Orange	WILDLIFE TREE PATCH
Orange & Black / Striped	Red	CAUTION ZONE
Blue & White / Striped	Red	TREATMENT UNIT BOUNDARY
Purple / Summer Weight	Blue	CRUISE LINE
	Pink	BCTS ROAD C/L
	Pink	SKID TRAIL
	Yellow	MACHINE FREE ZONE
	Lime Green	CULVERT

* All templates available at IRL supplies (www.irl.bc.ca)

OBSOLETE RIBBON TYPES	
Description	Updated Ribbon Standards/Specifications
"Group Reserves"	Use Orange "BCTS Block Boundary" or "BCTS Block Bndry"
"Special Management Zone"	Use Red "Treatment Unit Boundary"
"Riparian Management Zone"	Use Red "Treatment Unit Boundary"
"Natural Non-Productive Areas"	Use Orange "BCTS Block Boundary" or Red "Treatment Unit Boundary"
"Standard Unit Boundary"	Use Red "Treatment Unit Boundary"
"CMT"	Use Yellow and Red (Arch colours)
"Pest Management Zone"	Use Red and White striped (Special Survey colours)
"Stream"	Use purple (summer weight) for GPS'd Stream Locations