

Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

Chapter 8 - Tenure Administration

Policy 8.10 - Woodlot Licence Program-Replacement

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Responsible Branch: [Forest Tenures Branch](#)

Scope

This policy guides the replacement of woodlot licences in the Woodlot Licence Program ([Forest Act](#) s.46). It applies to all woodlot licences.

Policy

It is the policy of this Ministry that, where replacement of a woodlot licence is requested, and that woodlot licence is replaceable:

- the District Manager will conduct a review of the licensee's performance prior to his making a replacement offer
- the terms and conditions of the replacement offer made by the District Manager will reflect the findings of the review

No Replacement

An offer to replace a woodlot licence will not be made where that licence has no provision for replacement.

Performance Review

A performance review of a woodlot licence will include:

- office review of compliance with management plan, licence and permit conditions, pre-harvest silviculture prescriptions, cut control, and financial and administrative requirements of the woodlot licence
- field review of forest practices and compliance with management plan, licence and permit conditions, and pre-harvest silviculture prescriptions

The licensee or a representative should accompany Ministry staff during the field review. A specific field review may not be necessary if performance can be judged adequately from ongoing monitoring and inspections.

The results of the review should be discussed with the licensee before they are incorporated into the replacement offer.

Term

The term of the replacement licence will commence on the tenth anniversary of the existing licence and be for a term equal to the whole original term of the existing licence.

Licence Area

The licence area of the replacement woodlot licence will describe the same area as the existing woodlot licence.

Timeline

The timeline for the replacement process is outlined in Section 46 of the [Forest Act](#) and must be followed.

References

- [Forest Act](#) s.46
- *Licence Document*
- [Ministry of Forests and Range Act](#) s.4
- *Timber Administration Manual*

[General Procedures for Policy 8.10 - Woodlot Licence Replacement](#)