

**FREE USE PERMIT TO CUT A CHRISTMAS TREE FOR
PERSONAL USE IN THE CASCADES FOREST DISTRICT**

Free Use Permit Number: 09-CASCADES

This Free Use Permit authorizes _____
under section 48(1)(a.1) of the *Forest Act* to cut one (1) Christmas tree (*less than 5 metres in height*) and
transport it to: _____

This authorization is only for the **CASCADES FOREST DISTRICT OFFICE** within the
Southern Interior Forest Region.

This Free Use Permit is valid until **DECEMBER 25, 2009**, subject to the following conditions:

1. Subject to paragraph 2 below, the Christmas tree may only be cut from areas of Crown land
 - (a) on power line rights-of-way or forest road rights-of-way.

Note: Power line rights-of-way are defined by the cleared area immediately under the power
line itself. Road rights-of-way are defined as three metres (10 feet) beyond the edge of
the ditch or excavated portion of the road bank or fill slope.

2. **NO CUTTING** of Christmas trees is permitted in the following areas:
 - (a) forest plantations in harvested areas, or
 - (b) juvenile spaced (thinned) stands.
3. This permit authorizes the permittee to cut **one and only one** Christmas tree for their own
personal use. Make sure it is the tree you want before you cut it.
4. A Christmas tree cut under this Free Use Permit must not be offered for sale.
5. The Permittee agrees to indemnify the Crown against and save it harmless from all claims,
demands, suits, actions, causes of action, costs, expenses and losses faced, incurred or
suffered by the Crown as a result, directly or indirectly, or any act or omission of
 - (a) the permittee, or
 - (b) any other person who on behalf of or with the consent of the Permittee engages in any
activity under or associated with this Permit
6. The Permittee must carry this Permit while harvesting and transporting the Christmas tree
and must produce the Permit at the request of a Forest Officer, a Forest Official, a
Conservation Officer or a Peace Officer. Failure to have this permit in your possession, the
possession of more than one tree per permit, or harvesting in areas other than those outlined
in paragraph 1 of this permit may result in the tree(s) being seized and enforcement actions
being taken.

I agree to abide by the terms of this permit.

SIGNED:

PERMITTEE



CHARLES VAN HEMMEN
DISTRICT MANAGER