



TIMBER HAULAGE ACCORD - TORMORE FOREST TO ARMADALE JUNCTION

PARTNERS:

SLEAT COMMUNITY TRUST
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Overview

Scottish Woodlands Ltd, as agents for Sleat Community Trust, has prepared this timber haulage accord to cater for haulage of timber and machinery between Tormore Forest and the junction of the C1224 and A851 at Armadale. The route is classified as a Consultation Route under the Highland Timber Transport Group.

This accord is intended to minimise disruption to the local community and visitors to the area, to minimise the chances of lorries meeting on the single track road and to allow the road structure time to recover between individual lorry movements.

1. Exclusion times for movement through the village.

Haulage will only be carried out Monday - Friday.

Lorries should avoid moving through the village of Ardvasar during the following times:

08:30 - 09:15

15:15 - 16:15

No haulage through the village between 09:45 & 12:15 on Tuesdays (Mother & Toddler Play Group: 10 – 12 pm in Ardvasar Hall).

There will be a general restriction on *any* lorry movements between the hours of 20:00 and 06:30.

2. Minimum separation between lorries.

Lorries will have a minimum separation of 20 minutes to avoid meeting on the single track road and to reduce the (negative) perception of convoy working.

3. Number of lorries per day.

There will be a maximum of 6 lorry loads of timber extracted per day. All lorries must be fitted with, and utilising, Central Tyre Inflation (CTI) along the Consultation Route.

4. Damage to verges

Lorry drivers should take every care not to pull lorries off the main carriageway and should use the main passing places wherever possible – in order to limit possible damage to kerbs, verges, ditches and culverts.

5. Speed Limit through Ardvasar village

Lorries will be restricted to a maximum of 20mph at all times whilst travelling through the village of Ardvasar and will pay particular attention to other road users, especially children and other pedestrians. This speed restriction to be publicised and reinforced at forest and village threshold signage (see below).



6. Threshold Signs

Scottish Woodlands will erect threshold signs to advise the public of active periods of timber haulage for the duration of these operations and to advertise SCT & SWL contact details for public enquiries/feedback. In addition speed restriction signs (relevant to timber hauliers) will be erected to reiterate the 20mph maximum speed limit to lorry drivers.

7. Non-Normal Operations

In the event of extraordinary circumstances such as breakdowns, in-forest delays etc Scottish Woodlands Ltd and/or the haulier will advise Sleat Community Trust (Armadale office).

8. Contact Numbers

Sleat Community Trust (Chris Marsh – Community Forester) - 01471 844773 / 07799 388120

Scottish Woodlands Ltd (Adam Lewis – Harvesting Manager) - 01997 420040 / 07899 902826

Highland Council TEC Services (Gordon MacDonald – Senior Engineer) - 01478 612727