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FOREST CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

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- 1. These Rules shall be known as the Forests (Fees and Charges) Rules.
- 2. There shall be payable in respect of the forest produce specified in the first column of Part I of the First Schedule the fees respectively specified in the second and third columns.
- 3. There shall be payable stumpage fees in respect of the tree species specified in Part II of the First Schedule in the manner respectively set out in that Part.
- 4. There shall be payable stumpage fees in respect of pulpwood materials specified in Part III of the First Schedule in the manner respectively set out in that Part.
- 5. There shall be payable in respect of timber from the tree species specified in the first and second columns of the Second Schedule, which are commonly used in the manner specified in the Schedule third column of that Schedule, the fees respectively set out in the fourth column.
- 6. There shall be payable in respect of the forest products specified in the first column of the Third Schedule the price specified in the third column of that Schedule for the units of the respective product specified in the second column.
- 7. There shall be payable in respect of the activities set out in the first and second columns of the Fourth Schedule the fees respectively specified in the third column of that Schedule.
- 8. There shall be payable in respect of the professional services rendered by the Service specified in the first column of the Fifth Schedule the fees respectively specified in the third column of that Schedule.
- 9. There shall be payable for the hire of the plant and equipment specified in the first column of the Sixth Schedule for use in the manner specified in the second column the charges set out in the third column of that Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE [rr. 1, 2, 3, 4]

TIMBER HARVESTING FEES FOR PLANTATION SPECIES

Part I - PLANTATION SPECIES

Tree Species	Clear Fell KSh./m ³	Thinning KSh./m ³			
A—Grevillea rubusta (Grevillea)					
Logs less than 240mm diameter	2,621	2,150			

Logs of diameter 240mm – 319mm	3,051	2,502
Logs of diameter 320mm – 399mm	3,521	2,888
Logs of diameter 400mm – 479mm	4,409	3,615
Logs of diameter 480mm – 559mm	4,933	4,045
Logs of diameter 560mm and greater	5,345	4,383
B—Juniperus procera (Cedar)		
Logs less than 240mm diameter	6,254	5,128
Logs of diameter 240mm – 319mm	7,279	5,969
Logs of diameter 320mm – 399mm	8,401	6,889
Logs of diameter 400mm – 479mm	10,518	8,624
Logs of diameter 480mm – 559mm	11,768	9,650
Logs of diameter 560mm and greater	12,752	10,457
C—Vitex keniensis (Meru Oak)		
Logs less than 240mm diameter	3,745	3,071
Logs of diameter 240mm – 319mm	4,359	3,574
Logs of diameter 320mm – 399mm	5,031	4,125

Logs of diameter 400mm – 479mm	6,298	5,164
Logs of diameter 480mm – 559mm	7,047	5,778
Logs of diameter 560mm and greater	7,636	6,261

Part II – STUMPAGE FEES

A—Cypress			B—Pines			C—Eucalyptus	
	Clear fell	Thinning		Clearfell	Thinning		C/lear fell
DBH (cm)	Ksh/m ³	KSh./m ³	DBH (cm)	KSh./m ³	KSh./m ³	DBH (cm)	KSh./m ³
15	3,337	2,336	15	3,337	_	15	_
16	3,362	2,354	16	3,362	_	16	_
17	3,338	2,372	17	3,338	_	17	_
18	3,414	2,390	18	3,414	_	18	_
19	3,440	2,408	19	3,440	_	19	_
20	3,466	2,426	20	3,466	2,426	20	2,774
21	3,492	2,444	21	3,492	2,444	21	2,801
22	3,519	2,463	22	3,519	2,463	22	2,823
23	3,545	2,482	23	3,545	2,482	23	2,846
24	3,572	2,501	24	3,572	2,501	24	2,870
25	3,599	2,520	25	3,599	2,520	25	2,897
26	3,627	2,539	26	3,627	2,539	26	2,918

27	3,654	2,558	27	3,654	2,558	27	2,935
28	3,682	2,578	28	3,682	2,578	28	2,952
29	3,710	2,597	29	3,710	2,597	29	2,972
30	3,738	2,617	30	3,738	2,617	30	2,991
31	3,676	2,637	31	3,676	2,637	31	3,010
32	3,795	2,657	32	3,795	2,657	32	3,026
33	3,824	2,677	33	3,824	2,677	33	3,041
34	3,853	2,697	34	3,853	2,697	34	3,056
35	3,883	2,718	35	3,883	2,718	35	3,070
36	3,912	2,738	36	3,912	_	36	3,086
37	3,942	2,759	37	3,942	_	37	3,099
38	3,972	2,780	38	3,972	_	38	3,113
39	4,002	2,801	39	4,002	_	39	,3124
40	4,032	2,823	40	4,032	_	40	3,137
41	4,063	2,844	41	4,063	_	41	3,149
42	4,094	2,866	42	4,094	_	42	3,159
43	4,125	2,888	43	4,125	_	43	3,170
44	4,156	2,909	44	4,156	_	44	3,182
45	4,188	2,932	45	4,188	_	45	3,194
46	4,220	2,954	46	4,220	_	46	3,203
47	4,252	2,976	47	4,252	_	47	3,213

48	4,284	2,999	48	4,284	_	48	3,222
49	4,317	3,022	49	4,317	_	49	3,232
50	4,350	3,045	50	4,350	_	50	3,240
51	4,383	3,068	51	4,383	_	51	3,250
52	4,416	3,091	52	4,416	_	52	3,259
53	4,449	3,115	53	4,449	_	53	3,265
54	4,483	3,138	54	4,483	_	54	3,275
55	4,517	3,162	55	4,517	_	55	3,281
56	4,552	_	56	4,552	_	56	3,291
57	4,586	_	57	4,586	_	57	3,296
58	4,621	_	58	4,621	_	58	3,304
59	4,656	_	59	4,656	_	59	3,310
60	4,692	_	60	4,692	_	60	3,318
61	4,727	_	61	4,727	_	61	3,323
62	4,763	_	62	4,763	_	62	3,331
63	4,799	_	63	4,799	_	63	3,337
64	4,836	_	64	4,836	_	64	3,345
65	4,873	_	65	4,873	_	65	3,348
66	4,810	_	66	4,810	_	66	3,356
67	4,947	_	67	4,947	_	67	3,360
68	4,985	_	68	4,985	_	68	3,365

69	5,022	_	69	5,022	_	69	3,371
70	5,061	_	70	5,061	_	70	3,377
71	5,099	_	71	5,099	_	71	3,383
72	5,138	_	72	5,138	_	72	3,387
73	5,177	_	73	5,177	_	73	3,391
74	5,216	_	74	5,216	_	74	3,397
75	5,256	_	75	5,256	_	75	3,403
76	5,296	_	76	5,296	_	76	3,407
77	5,336	_	77	5,336	_	77	3,412
78	5,377	_	78	5,377	_	78	3,416
79	5,417	_	79	5,417	_	79	3,420
80	5,459	_	80	5,459	_	80	3,422
81	5,500	_	81	5,500	_	81	3,428
82	5,542	_	82	5,542	_	82	3,432
83	5,584	_	83	5,584	_	83	3,435
84	5,627	_	84	5,627	_	84	3,441
85	5,669	_	85	5,669	_	85	3,443
86	5,712	_	86	5,712	_	86	3,447
87	5,756	_	87	5,756	_	87	3,453
88	5,800	_	88	5,800	_	88	3,454
89	5,844	_	89	5,844	_	89	3,458

90	5,888	_	90	5,888	_	90	3,461
91	5,933	_	91	5,933	_	91	3,466
92	5,978	_	92	5,978	_	92	3,468
93	6,023	_	93	6,023	_	93	3,472
94	6,069	_	94	6,069	_	94	3,474
95	6,115	_	95	6,115	_	95	3,479
96	6,162	_	96	6,162	_	96	3,482
97	6,208	_	97	6,208	_	97	3,483
98	6,256	_	98	6,256	_	98	3,488
99	6,303	_	99	6,303	_	99	3,489
100 and over	6,351	_	100 and over	6,351	_	100 and over	3,498

Part III - RATES FOR PULPWOOD MATERIALS (CYPRESS, PINES, EUCALYPTUS)

Produce	Units	Price (KSh.)
Pulpwood within pulpwood working circle but specifically management for pulpwood	Per m ³	1,972
Pulpwood from sawn wood areas and those managed as saw wood.	Per m ³	Price same as sawn log

SECOND SCHEDULE [r. 5]

TIMBER HARVESTING FEES FOR NATURAL FOREST TREE SPECIES

Botanical Name	Common Name	Common Usage	KSh./m ³
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1. Afzelia quanzensis	Mbambakofi (Kiswahili)	Carvings/flooring/ furniture	7,235
2. Albizzia gummifera	Mukurwe (Kikuyu)	Timber/veneer	4,580
3. Abingeria altissima	Mukangu (Luhya)	Timber/plywood	3,341
4. Antaris toxicaria	Mulundu (Luhya)	Timber/furniture	3,755
5. Avicenia marina	Mchu (Kiswahili)	Timber/poles	360
6. Bosquiea pheberos	Mbarakaya (Kiswahili)	Veneer/furniture	4,586
7. Brachyleana huilensis	Muhugu (Kikuyu)	Carvings/flooring	6,283
8. Brachysstegia speciformis	Mriti/Mrihi (Kiswahili)	Timber	3,063
9. Bruguieria gymnorhiza	Mvuli (Kiswahili)	Carvings/timber/poles	360
10. Chlorophora excelsa	Mvule	Furniture/flooring	7,234
11. Chrysophyllum albida	Mululu (Luhya)	Timber/plywood	3,755
12. Combrettum schumanii	Mungurure	Carvings/flooring	4,588
13. Cordia spp.	Muringa, mukomari (Kikuyu), mungoma (Luhya)	Furniture	6,263
14. Croton macrostachys	Mutundu (Kikuyu)	Joinery	4,588
15. Croton megalocarpus	Mukinduri (Kikuyu), Musine (Luhya)	Construction/timber/ plywood	3,053
16. Dalbergia melanoxylon	Mpingo (Kiswahili), Ebony	Carvings/musical instruments	7,234
17. Dombeya geotzenii	Mukeu (kikuyu)	Joinery	4,588
18. Euphorbia spp.	Euphorbia	Plywood	3,755

19. Fagara macrophylla	Shikuma (Luhya)	Furniture	4,588
20. Ficus spp.	Satinwood	Plywood	3,755
21. Funtumia Africana	Mutondo (Kikuyu)	Construction/timber/ plywood	3,755
22. Hagenia abyssinica	Rosewood	Joinery/furniture/flooring	7,234
23. Juniperus procera	Cedar	Joinery/furniture/flooring	8,345
24. Maesopsis eminii	Mutere (Luhya), msis	Joinery/furniture/flooring	4,588
25. Manilkara butugi	Kydilani	Timber/furniture	4,588
26. manilkara zanzibarensis	Ngambo (Kiswahili)	Boats/furniture/joinery	6,009
27. Newtonia buchananii	Muklli (Meru)	Timber/furniture	4,588
28. Newtonia paucijuga	Mkanauni	Timber	4,588
29. Ocotea usambarensis	Camphor, muthaiti (Kikuyu)	Joinery/furniture	14,469
30. Olea Africana	Mutamaiyu (Kikuyu)	Flooring/carvings	7,234
31. Olea hochstetteri	Mucharage (Kikuyu)	Flooring/carvings/furniture	7,234
32. Olea welwitschii	Elgon olive, Loriodo (Luhya)	Flooring/carvings/furniture	9,480
33. Podocarpus Africana	Podo	Timber/furniture	5,578
34. Polyscias kikuyuensis	Mutati (Kikuyu)	Plywood	4,580
35. Prunus Africana	Muii (Kikuyu)	Lorries/bridges/flooring	7,234
36. Trachylobium verrucosum	Mutandarusi	Boats/furniture/timber	4,588

37. Trichilia roka	Muyama	Furniture/veneer	4,588
38. Vitex keniensis	Meru oak, muhuru (Kikuyu)	Furniture/veneer	7,234
39. Acacia melanoxylon	Kanunga (Kikuyu)	Flooring/carving	5,620
40. Aruacaria spp.		Timber	2,248
41. Casaurina equisetifolia	Mvunje (Kiswahili)	Timber/poles	2,248
42. Erthrophleum guinensis	Mkelekele	_	4,588
43. Cynmetra webberi	Mfunda	_	4,588
44. Nesogordonia parvifolia	Mlunza	_	4,588
45. Vitex doniana	Mfundu	_	4,588
46. Terminalia kilimandischarica	Mbabaro	_	4,588
47. Terminali catappa	Mukungu	_	4,588
48. Nesogordonia spp.	Mnomvi	_	4,588
49. All others	_	_	4,588

THIRD SCHEDULE [r. 6]

FEES FOR OTHER FOREST PRODUCTS

Produce	Unit	KSh.
1. Bamboo	Per piece	100
2. Withies	Per piece of less than 5cm in diameter	10
3. Firewood	Commercial clear fell, per cubic metre	2,000
	Salvaging, per cubic metre	2,000

	Monthly Fuel Licence (MFL)	100
4. Cut stone	Cut Stone License, (Annual)	15,000
	20m x 20m plot	30,000
5. Culvert	Per piece	3,500
6. Limestone	Per metric tonne	90
7. Crushed stone	Per metric tonne	200
8. Quarry waste	Per metric tonne	100
9. Sand	Ordinary, per metric tonne	200
	Silica, per metric tonne	350
	Volcanic ash, per metric tonne	100
10. Murram	Per metric tonne	300
11. Red ochre	Per metric tonne	1,000
	Per head load	22
12. Soil	Per metric tonne	300
13. Grass	Per gunny bag or head load	50
14. Moss	Per gunny bag or headload	120
15. Asparagus fern	Per kg.	30
16. Bamboo shoots	Per kg.	33
17. Gum and resin	Per kg.	12
18. Honey	Per group (Community), (Annual)	1,500
	Commercial, (Annual)	10,000

19. Camping fee	Per night, Adult	650
	Per night, Child	100
20. Guest house	Per night, Ordinary	850
	Per night, Medium	500
	Per night, Kenya Forestry College Guest House	1,500
21. Ranger services	Visitor escort by one ranger per excursion	1,000
22. Observation platforms	Bird hides, Watchtowers and Tree platforms	150,000
23. Forest land Rent	For cultivation per acre, (Annual)	500
	For commercial purposes Urban areas (cities, municipalities) per acre, (Annual)	20,000
	For commercial purposes (other areas) per acre, (Annual)	10,000
	Mangroves per acre, (Annual)	20,000
24. Building poles	(a) Hardwoods	
	Between a butt diameter of 5cm and 10cm, per piece	60
	Between a butt diameter of 10cm and 15cm, per piece	350
	(b) Exotic softwoods	
	Between a butt diameter of 5cm and 10cm, per piece	50
	Between a butt diameter of 10cm and 15cm, per piece	300
	Wider than a butt diameter 15cm, per piece	Respective timber price per cubic metre
25. Transmission poles	Extra light	3,942

	Light	4,083
	Medium	4,223
	Stout	4,364
26. Cedar poles	Less than 15cm butt diameter, per metre	30
	Between 15 and 20cm butt diameter, per metre	55
	More than 20cm butt diameter	Respective timber rates
27. Mangroves	More than 35cm butt diameter, per metre	700
	Banaa (20.1cm to 35cm butt diameter) per metre	750
	Banaa, per piece	70
	Nguzo (13.1cm to 20cm butt diameter), per metre	600
	Nguzo, per piece	60
	Boriti (9.1cm to 13cm butt diameter), per score	500
	Boriti per piece	50
	Mazio (6.1cm to 9cm butt diameter), per score	400
	Mazio, Per piece	40
	Pau (4.1cm to 6cm butt diameter), per score	200
	Pau, Per piece	30
	Fito (less than 4cm butt diameter), per score	60
	Fito, Per piece	20
28. Facilities within mangrove areas	Docking, Commercial, (Annual)	75,000
mangiove areas	Docking, Private, (Annual)	10,000

	Boat Repair Yard, (Annual)	50,000
	Jetty, Commercial, (Annual)	35,000
	Jetty, Non-commercial, (Annual)	5,000
	Boardwalk, Commercial, (Annual)	15,000
	Boardwalk, Community/Groups, (Annual)	2,000
	Salt works, (Annual)	300,000
29. Christmas trees	Potted	
	Less than one metre, per tree	300
	Between one metre and two metres, per tree	600
	Above two metres, per tree	700
	Cuttings, per metre	200
30. Plants	(a) Single plants in polythene tube that is less than 15cm in diameter, per plant	
	Exotic	12
	Indigenous	15
	(b) Single plants in polythene tubes wider than 15cm in diameter, per plant	
	Exotic	75
	Indigenous	100
	(c) Plants lifted from Swaziland beds, per plant	
	Exotic	4
	Indigenous	5

	(d) Plants in boxes of approximately 55 seedlings per box	250
31. Croton seeds	Croton megalocarpus seed for bio-diesel, per kg.	4
	License fee for seed collection for biodiesel, (Annual)	100,000
32. Barks	Green wattle bark (stacked), per cubic metre	345
	Other barks, per bag	45

FOURTH SCHEDULE [r. 7] FEES FOR FOREST ACTIVITIES

Activities		Price (KSh.)
1. Water reservoirs	For commercial consumption – Large (Annual)	50,000
	For commercial consumption – Small (Annual)	20,000
	Small dam – Up to 1 million cubic metres	350,000
	Large dam – More than 1 million cubic metres	1,000,000
2. Water abstraction	Water easement (Once)	15,000
	Small wayleave – Up to one metre diameter (Per kilometre)	5,000
	Large wayleave – More than one metre diameter (Per kilometre)	20,000
	Borehole (Annual)	50,000
	Monitoring boreholes (Annual)	50,000
3. Fish farming (Annual License)	Fish farming (Fresh water) – 300m ²	30,000
,	Fish farming (Fresh water) – Larger than 300m ²	100,000

4. Aquaculture (Annual License)	Aquaculture (Marine) – Large	75,000
License	Aquaculture (Marie) – Small	20,000
5. Grazing	Cattle (Per month)	100
	Sheep (Per month)	40
6. Transmitters and transceivers	Mobile phone firms. (Annual)	250,000
	Radio station (Annual)	150,000
	Internet	150,000
	TV stations (Annual)	250,000
7. Annual Licenses	General Forest License	10,000
	Small sawmill (Less than 10m ³ of timber per day)	30,000
	Medium sawmill (between 11m ³ and 20m ³ of timber per day)	45,000
	Large-scale mill (over 20m ³ of timber per day)	80,000
	Pulp and paper	200,000
	Plywood	150,000
	Pole treatment plant	60,000
	Resin extraction	60,000
	Quarrying	75,000
	Commercial fuelwood	30,000
	Prospecting	50,000
8. Charcoal Production License (Annual)	10,000 bags	50,000

	10,001 – 20,000 bags	200,000
	20,001 – 50,000 bags	500,000
9. Timber Movement Permit	2 – 4 tonnes	1,000
	5 – 7 tonnes	1,500
	Over 7 tonnes	2,000
	Imported timber (Per consignment)	20,000
10. Charcoal Movement Permit	Per bag	30
11. Movement Permit for Non Wood Forest Products	Per Kilogramme	2
12. Charcoal Export Permit	Per tonne	5,000
13. Forest Recreation Entry Fees	(a) Kenya and East African Community citizens	
rees	Adult, per day	200
	Child, per day	50
	(b) Residents	
	Adult, per day	400
	Child, per day	100
	(c) Non-residents	
	Adult, per day	600
	Child, per day	150
14. Hire of Grounds	Urban (Cities) non-commercial, per day	50,000
	Urban (Municipalities) non-commercial (Per day)	30,000

	Commercial (Per day)	5,000
	Others (Per day)	15,000
15. Sporting activities	Cycling	100
	Horse-riding	300
16. Filming rights	Per day	40,000
17. Billboards	Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu (Annual)	250,000
	Other areas (Annual)	150,000
18. Electricity wayleaves	Cities and municipalities per acre (Annual)	20,000
	Other areas per acre (Annual)	10,000
19. Fibre optic cable way leave	Per kilometre (Annual)	2,000
20. Collection of indigenous forest materials along way leaves	Per cubic metre	1,600
21. Prospecting for minerals	Prospecting for minerals(Annual)	100,000
	Drilling per hole	50,000
22. Generation of geothermal power	Conservation fees per megawatt (Annual)	100,000
23. Generation of hydropower	Conservation fees per megawatt (Annual)	100,000
24. Wind turbine	Conservation fees per megawatt (Annual)	100,000
	Data-logging mast for wind energy (Annual)	50,000
25. Research Permit	East African Community citizens	5,000
	Non-residents	40,000

FIFTH SCHEDULE [r. 8]

FEES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Service	Rate	KSh.
1. Timber grading	Per consignment (up to 25 M ³)	5,000
Supervision for establishment of private plantation forest	Per hectare	5,000
3. Selection for thinning of commercial private plantation forest	Per hectare	3,000
4. Site assessment for establishment of commercial forest	_	5,000
5. Printing in colour	A4	100
	A3	500
	A1	1,000
	A0	1,500
6. Lamination of maps	A4	400
	A3	1,000
	A1	1,500
	A0	2,500
7. Ammonia prints	A4	100
	A3	150
	A1	300
	A0	500

8. Digitisation of maps	Per feature	3,500
9. Scanning of maps	A4	200
	A3	500
	A1	750

SIXTH SCHEDULE [r. 9] HIRE OF PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT

Plant/Equipment	Rate	KSh.
1. Truck, flatbed (15 tonne)	Per Km	100
2. Truck, flatbed (15 tonne)	Per Hour	4,000
3. Truck, tipper (15 tonne)	Per Km	110
4. Pick-up 4x4 (1 to 1.5 tonne)	Per Km	30
5. Motor grader	Per Hour	5,500
6. Vibratory roller	Per Hour	2,300
7. Water tanker	Per Km	100
8. F/wheel loader	Per Hour	5,500
9. Excavator	Per Hour	8,000
10. Dozer D8	Per Hour	12,000
11. Concrete mixer (Stationary)	Per Day	6,000
12. Bus (62 seater)	Per Km	60
13. Bus (32 seater)	Per Km	30
14. Bus (9 seater)	Per Km	15