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Preface

Forest Control as a Compelling Tool for Responsible and Profitable Forest Management in Cameroon

Responsible and sustainable forest management cannot be contemplated, without the action, support and commitment of Government's forest control service. Forest control is defined as the set of processes, procedures and actions that aim at ensuring that citizens, in a whole, and holders of logging permits, issued by the State in compliance with applicable requirements, in particular, apply and comply with forest laws and regulations while conducting the whole series of forest management operations. Forest control is a compelling element for sustainable forest management. Today, it is one of the key elements for the implementation of the VPA-FLEGT signed by Cameroon and the European Union.

It helps to verify and certify the legal compliance of all logging operations, implementation of forestry operation standards, compliance with transportation and trading requirements for forest resources, and timeliness in the payment of forest taxes and charges. It enquiries about, investigates, makes statements on, and sanctions forestry offences. Its ultimate goal is not, like people often mistakenly think, to sanction, at all costs, holders of forest licenses and generate revenues for the government coffers; but to ensure that Cameroon forests are managed in a responsible and sustainable manner, for the good and benefit of current and future generations. It can only bring out such an outcome if it is itself efficient and meets high standards. It is thus required to become more professional. In other terms, forest controllers, all grades and professional levels altogether, judiciary police officers with special jurisdiction, must do their work in accordance with trade practices; that is, with minutiae, orderliness, competence, method, and commitment. They must know and master the stages and procedures of monitoring, operational, practical, and efficient implementation of the various types of monitoring visits (scheduled monitoring, routine monitoring, and special monitoring); drafting of reports on forestry offences, drafting and submission of reports of high quality monitoring visits.

The Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife has been fully dealing with this requirement. In this regard, the National Brigade of Forest Control and the Project Independent Observer for Forest Control and Monitoring of Forest Offences in Cameroon, implemented by AGRECO-CEW consortium, with the financial support of the European Union, were tasked to draft an Operational Guide for Forest Control in Cameroon in order to meet this need. This document is an outcome and the result of two years of close collaboration. It provides a practical definition of forest control, and features all types and stages of forest control, as well as all legal requirements whose enforcement and compliance must be verified in all forest activities in Cameroon, a list of offences, and related sanctions. It complies with the National Strategy on Forestry and Wildlife Control and with the Cameroon VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists. It will be reviewed and updated based on legal and regulatory changes in the forestry sector. I therefore call upon forest controllers to tap its content and make it a fundamental and compelling working document while exercising their daily duties.

I congratulate all my collaborators who actively developed this Guide, namely the General Inspectorate, Direction of Forestry, Direction of Promotion and Processing of Forest Products, National Brigade of Forestry Control and staff of the Project Independent Observer for Forest Control and Monitoring of Forest Offences in Cameroon, as well as all our partners across the forestry sector who have supported the development of this useful working tool, a benchmark document for each forestry controller that I enacted through decision no 0680/D/MINFOF/ CAB of 28th December 2012.

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Definition of Forest Control

Forest control is a process that aims at ensuring that holders of logging permits, issued by the State in compliance with applicable requirements, apply and comply with forest laws and regulations while conducting their various logging operations. It must enable to assess the compliance of all forest management operations with legal requirements and the timely payment of forest taxes and charges. It helps to identify and sanction all offences of fraudulent and illegal use of forest resources.

Cameroon's National Strategy on Forestry and Wildlife Control (SNCFF) provides for three types of forest control: *scheduled control, routine control, and special control.* Scheduled control is carried out at the beginning of the fiscal year based on a yearly schedule developed by the departments/units in charge of forest control at national and regional levels, and endorsed by the Minister of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF). Routine control is conducted on a daily basis by the geo-graphically-relevant departments/units (by fixed and mobile check points, sawmill input points, border check points, and other relevant services). It includes checking that forest sector actors hold the documents required by MINFOF. Lastly, special control refers to unscheduled control visits ordered by decision-makers following whistle-blowing, information or for any other reason.

Steps of Forest Control

Forest control comprises four (04) main steps: preparation of control visit, field control visit, report drafting, and follow-up of the enforcement of the control report.

II.1. Preparation of Forest Control Visit

Every forest control visit is carefully planned. This preparation covers all the activities carried out by the forest control team to, both, collect and review all the data and background information needed on the forest operation permits that will be monitored. These preliminary activities relate to documentation review (valid permits for the fiscal year and area covered by the forest control visit, authorization to start operations, annual operation plan, annual operation authorization, logging agreement, certificate for the sale of standing volume, authorization to salvage timber, map of the licensed area, management plan, simplified management plan, yearly harvesting certificate, list of MHDs/MMDs and species not authorized to be harvested under the monitored permits, list of field operation logs (DF 10), consignment notes/waybills, and records of previous forest control visits, etc.); getting in contact with local officials of the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF), traditional rulers and local administrative officials, civil society organizations, and neighbouring community populations; and requesting for meetings and interviews.

II.2. Conducting a Forest Control Visit in the Field

The forest control team carries out a field assessment of all the logging operations and activities (harvesting sites, log yards, extraction tracks and roads, sawmills, ports, airports, railway stations, check-points, and border controls). The forest control is conducted based on an itinerary and a visit

schedule made by the control visit team. A daily form for control activities is filled by the control team and a summary of all the results of forest control of every visited site is made and signed by the forest manager owning the site, the head of the forest control team, and the Independent Observer. This summary will be used to draft the on-site report on the forest control.

II.3. Drafting of Forest Control Report

At the end of every forest control visit, a report is drafted by all the control team members under the supervision of the team leader. The team of forest monitors and the staff of the Independent Observer hold a meeting to share data collected throughout the forest control visit. This meeting also enables attendants to discuss and harmonize their views before drafting the visit Records. The team of forest monitors drafts one report and the staff of the Independent Observer also produce another report. The two Records are then submitted to the Review Committee for review and validation. The Independent Observer publishes its report as soon as they receive the approval from the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF).

II.4. Follow-up of Use of Records of Forest Control Visits

Forest monitors' Records are then submitted to the Minister of Forestry and Wildlife who provides guidance on how to handle the findings and recommendations made by forest monitors. In principle, offences identified and formally reported are included in offence Records written by forest monitors and forwarded to the Legal Unit of the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF). The Minister specifies the administrative and judicial measures to be taken to sanction the objectively-identified offences. Forest monitors and the Independent Observer ensure the follow-up, in close collaboration with the Head of the Legal Unit, of the measures to be taken based on regularly-drafted offence Records submitted to the relevant authority. The Independent Observer uses the findings of the Records on forest control visits to derive trends on the progress of forest governance for the Government of Cameroon, especially the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF), and partners.

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Preparation of Scheduled Forest Control Visit - Documentation review before Field Visit

III.1. Generic Documents

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	List of Valid Permits for the	Yes	No	To be taken along
	Current Year			
2	List of DF10s, log waybills,	Yes	No	To be taken along
	delivery notes for temporary log			
	yards, waybills for sawn timber,			
_	sawmill input log/record			—
3	Records of previous control	Yes	No	To be reviewed
	visits			
4	List of marking hammers	Yes	No	To be taken along
5	List of species to be used as	Yes	No	To be taken along
	logs			
6	List of special permits	Yes	No	To be taken along
7	List of mandatory taxes for	Yes	No	To be reviewed
	every logging license			
8	List of CITES permits	Yes	No	To be taken along
9	List of operational sawmills for	Yes	No	To be taken along
	the year			
10	List of community forests autho-	Yes	No	To be taken along
	rized to deal in round wood			

III.2. Exploitation/Logging Agreement(FMU)

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Post-harvesting inspection certifi-	Yes	No	To be taken
	cate/note	res	INO	along
2	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certif-	Yes	No	To be revie-
	icate of surface area assessment		INU	wed
3	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the	Yes	No	To be taken
	location of every tree to be harvested	100		along
4	* Map of the Annual harvesting Area			To be taken
	and/or certificate of surface area as-	Yes	No	along
_	sessment			_
5	Certificate of annual harvesting (provi-	Yes	No	To be taken
6	sional Agreement)			along To be revie-
6	Exploitation/Logging Agreement	Yes	No	
7	Tax filing and evidence of tax payment			wed To be revie-
<i>'</i>	Tax ming and evidence of tax payment	Yes	No	wed
8	List of DF10s, log waybills, waybills for			
Ŭ	temporary log yards, waybills for sawn	Yes	No	To be taken
	timber, sawmill input log/record			along
9	Authorization to start operations signed			To be re-
	by MINFOF Regional Delegate	Yes	No	viewed at
				the DRFOF
10	Management plan (MP)	Yes	No	To be revie-
		103	110	wed
11	Annual operational authorizations in-			
	cluding species not authorized to be	Yes	No	To be taken
	harvested and MHDs of species to be			along
10	harvested			
12	Annual operational plan including activi- ties to be carried out throughout the year	Yes	No	To be revie-
	in compliance with MP provisions	165		wed
13	Five-year operational plan			To be revie-
10		Yes	No	wed
14	Annual report of forestry operations			To be revie-
	(ARFO)	Yes	No	wed
15	Others Environmental compliance certi-	Vee	Na	To be revie-
	ficate	Yes	No	wed
16	Sub-contracting agreements approved	Yes	No	To be revie-
	by the Ministry in charge of forestry			wed

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III.3. Council Forest

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Post-harvesting inspection certifi- cate/note	Yes	No	To be taken along
2	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certificate of surface area assessment	Yes	No	To be reviewed
3	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along
4	* Map of the Annual Allowable Cut (AAC) and/or certificate of surface area assessment	Yes	No	To be taken along
5	Exploitation/Logging Agreement	Yes	No	To be reviewed
6	Tax filing and evidence of tax pay- ment	Yes	No	To be reviewed
7	List of DF10s, log waybills, delivery notes for temporary log yards, waybills for sawn timber, sawmill input log/record	Yes	No	To be taken along
8	Notification of activity start (signed by> Ministry in charge of forests Regional Delegate)	Yes	No	To be taken along
9	Management plan (MP)	Yes	No	To be reviewed
10	Annual operational authorizations (AOAs) including species not to be harvested and MHDs/MMDs of species to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along
11	Annual Operation Plan (AOP)	Yes	No	To be reviewed
12	Five-year operational plan (FYOP)	Yes	No	To be reviewed
13	Annual report of forestry operations (ARFO)			To be reviewed
14	Others Environmental compliance certificate	Yes	No	To be reviewed
15	Sub-contracting agreements ap- proved by the Ministry in charge of forestry	Yes	No	To be reviewed

III.4. Community Forest

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	Yes	No	To be taken
				along
2	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certifi-	Yes	No	To be revie-
	cate of surface area assessment			wed
3	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the	Yes	No	To be taken
	location of every tree to be harvested			along
4	* Map of the Annual Allowable Cut and/or	Yes	No	To be taken
	certificate of surface area assessment			along
5	Forest management Agreement/ Provi-	Yes	No	To be revie-
	sional Agreement			wed
6	Annual operational authorizations includ-	Yes	No	To be taken
	ing species not authorized for harvest and			along
_	MHDs of species to be harvested			
7	List of DF10s, log waybills, delivery notes	Yes	No	To be taken
	for temporary log yards, waybills for sawn			along
0	timber, sawmill input log/record	Yes	No	To be talian
8	Notification of activity start (signed by the Ministry in charge of forests Regional	res	INO	To be taken
	Delegate)			along
9	Annual operational plan including activi-	Yes	No	To be revie-
9	ties to be carried out throughout the year	165	NO	wed
	in compliance with SMP provisions			weu
10	Five-year operational plan	Yes	No	To be revie-
10		100	110	wed
11	Simplified Management Plan (SMP)	Yes	No	To be revie-
		100		wed
12	Forest manager's activity report	Yes	No	To be revie-
				wed
13	Others Environmental compliance certifi-	Yes	No	To be revie-
	cate			wed
14	Sub-contracting agreements approved by	Yes	No	To be revie-
	the Ministry in charge of forestry			wed
15	Manual of Procedures for the Attribution	Yes	No	To be revie-
	and Norms for the management of			wed
	Community Forests (Manuel des procé-			
	dures d'attribution et des normes de			
	gestion des forêts communautaires)			

III.5. Sale of Standing Volume

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certifi- cate of surface area assessment	Yes	No	To be taken along
2	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along
3	* Map of Inventory Area	Yes	No	To be taken along
4	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	Yes	No	To be taken along
5	Certificate for the sale of standing volume including species not authorized for harvest and MHDs of species to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along
6	Tax filing and evidence of tax payment	Yes	No	To be reviewed
7	List of DF10s, log waybills, delivery notes for temporary log yards	Yes	No	To be taken along
8	Authorization to start operations signed by Ministry in charge of forests Regional Delegate	Yes	No	To be taken along
9	Others Environmental compliance certificate	Yes	No	To be reviewed
10	Sub-contracting agreements approved by the Ministry in charge of forestry	Yes	No	To be reviewed

III.6. Logging Authorization for Service Timber

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certifi- cate of surface area assessment	Yes	No	To be taken along
2	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along
3	* Map of Inventory Area	Yes	No	To be taken along
4	Certificate:authorization for service timber including species not authorized for harv- est and MHDs of species to be harvested	Yes	No	To be taken along

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5	Tax filing and evidence of tax payment	Yes	No	To be reviewed
6	List of DF10s/waybills for sawn timber	Yes	No	To be taken along
7	Notification of activity start (signed by> Ministry in charge of forests Regional Delegate)	Yes	No	To be taken along
8	Others Environmental compliance certificate	Yes	No	To be reviewed
9	Sub-contracting agreements approved by the Ministry in charge of forestry	Yes	No	To be reviewed

III.7. Authorization to Salvage Timber

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Location map of 1/200 000 and/or certifi-	Yes	No	To be
	cate of surface area assessment			taken along
2	* Logging map of 1/5000 that shows the	Yes	No	To be
	location of every tree to be harvested			taken along
3	* Map of Inventory Area	Yes	No	To be
				taken along
4	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	Yes	No	To be
				taken along
5	Authorization to Salvage Timber stating,	Yes	No	To be
	among others, species to be harvested			taken along
6	Tax filing and evidence of tax payment	Yes	No	To be
				reviewed
7	List of DF10s, log waybills	Yes	No	To be
				taken along
8	Authorization to start operations signed by	Yes	No	To be
	MINFOF Regional Delegate			taken along
9	Others Environmental compliance certifi-	Yes	No	To be
	cate			reviewed
10	Sub-contracting agreements approved by	Yes	No	To be
	the Ministry in charge of forestry			reviewed

III.8. Authorization to Remove Timber

No	Description	Status	Status	Comments
1	Report of offences and seizures of fraudu- lently-harvested timber (seized timber)	Yes	No	To be taken along
2	Report of abandoned logs made the local official of the forest administration and summon letter submitted to the owners (abandoned logs in the forest or fallen logs)	Yes	No	To be taken along
3	Public call to tender (seized, abandoned, or fallen logs)	Yes	No	To be re- viewed
4	Note of the committee for the Authoriza- tion to Remove Timber, stating the forest entity that has been selected as success- ful bidder	Yes	No	To be re- viewed
5	Report on the Authorization to Remove Timber and related fee payment (auction amount plus additional 1.3%)	Yes	No	To be taken along
6	Report on stock inspection (timber har- vested in compliance with legal require- ments and not extracted before the termi- nation of a specific license/permit)	Yes	No	To be taken along

Conducting a Forest Control Visit

IV.1. Getting in Contact with Administrative Authorities IV.1.1. Getting in Contact with MINFOF Regional / Local Officials

Date and Place	MINFOF Officials	Remarks/Comments
	Regional Delegate	
	Divisional Delegate	
	Sub-divisional Dele- gate	
	Head of MINFOF Check-point	

IV.1.2. Getting in Contact with Local Authorities

Date and Place	Administrative Au- thorities	Remarks/Comments
	Divisional Officer	
	Sub-divisional Officer	
	Traditional Rulers	
	Mayors	

IV.1.3. Getting in Contact with Local Judiciary Authorities

Date Place	and	Judiciary Authority	Remarks/Comments
		State Counsel	

IV.2. Control of FMU

IV.2.1. Field Documentation Review

The review takes place in the workers' camp before heading to harvesting sites. The table below contains a list of documents to be reviewed:

No	No Description FLEGT/SNCFF Offence/No		e/Non-				
		Means of Verification	Со	mplia cor	nce Re- ds	Co	omments
1	License of the enterprise or various subcontractors issued by relevant authorities authorizing them to undertake forestry operations		Ye s		No		
2	License of the enterprise or various subcontractors that have taken part in some forest management activities (inventories, sylviculture) delivered by relevant authorities	2.1.1					
3	Certificate of marking registration of the marking hammer with the registry of the relevant court of appeal	1.1.4					
4	Provisional logging contract signed by the Ministry in charge of fore- stry	1.2.5					
5	Receipt/transfer application submitted to the Minister in charge of forestry by the concession holder and the applicant	1.2.6					
6	Notification of concession transfer by the relevant authority	1.2.7					
7	Payment receipt for transfer fee	1.2.8					
8	Compliance certificate with the provisions of the final logging contract	1.2.9					
9	Ministerial order to approve the management plan (MINFOF)	1.2.10					
10	Five-year operational plan	1.2.11	Ye		No		

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			S		
11	Valid annual operational plan	1.2.11	Ye	No	
			s		
12	Classification order	1.2.13	Ye	No	
			S		
13	Management plan	SNCFF			
14	Report of harvesting inventory	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			s		
15	Certificate of inventory compliance	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			S		
16	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.4.2	Ye	No	
			S		
17	License of the enterprise or various subcontractors that have taken	2.1.1	Ye	No	
	part in some forest management activities (inventories, sylviculture)		S		
18	Certificate of Boundaries marking	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			S		
19	FMU map and certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF			
20	AAC map and certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			s		
21	Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			s		
22	Map of road and track network	SNCFF	Ye	No	
			S		
23	Authorization to construct access road to the concession/awarded	SNCFF	Ye	No	
	area		S		
24	Sub-contracting/partnership agreement(s)	1.3.1	Ye	No	
			S		

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25	Service provision agreement(s) with licensed organizations or a		Ye	No	
	government agency		s		
26	Letter of the Minister in charge of forestry approving the sub-	1.3.2	Ye	No	
	contracting agreement(s)		s		
27	Submission receipt for the contract(s) approved by the local officials	1.3.3	Ye	No	
	of the Ministry in charge of forestry		S		
28	Subcontractors/partners' registration in the trade registry of the rele-	1.3.4	Ye	No	
	vant court registry		s		
28	License of the subcontractors/partners issued by relevant authorities	1.3.5	Ye	No	
	authorizing them to undertake forestry operations		s		
29	Licenses of various subcontractors that have taken part in forest	2.1.1	Ye	No	
	management activities (inventories, sylviculture)		S		
30	Certificate for Annual Allowable Cut (provisional contract) stating,	2.2.3	Ye	No	
	among others, species not authorized for harvest and MHDs/MMDs		S		
	of species to be harvested				
31	Annual operational authorization stating, among others, species not	2.2.3	Ye	No	
	to be harvested and MHDs/MMDs of species to be harvested		S		
32	Authorization to start operation (signed by MINFOF Regional Dele-	2.2.4	Ye	No	
	gate)		S		
33	Payment receipts (yearly forest tax, felling tax, sawmill input tax, local	2.5.2	Ye	No	
	development tax, or other forest related charges provided for by the		S		
	contract specifications) for the current and previous years				
34	DF10	2.4.1			
35	Log waybill signed by relevant authorities	3.1.1	Ye	No	
			s		
36	Waybill for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	3.1.1	Ye	No	
			s		
37	Sawmill input logs signed by relevant authorities	3.1.1	Ye	No	

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			S		
38	Providers' legality attestation	3.1.2			
39	Annual report of forest operations		Ye	No	
			S		
40	Contract specifications signed by the relevant authority and the forest	1.1.3 & 4.2.1	Ye	No	
	entity		s		
41	Records of the construction of social infrastructure provided for by the	4.2.2	Ye	No	
	contract specifications		s		
42	Minutes of the sensitization meeting on licensed forest operations	4.2.3	Ye	No	
	signed by all the stakeholders		s		
43	Records of socio-economic assessments	4.2.5	Ye	No	
			s		
44	Zoning map		Ye	No	
			S		
45	Minutes of the presentation of the socio-economic assessment	4.2.6	Ye	No	
			s		
46	Internal regulations	5.1.1	Ye	No	
			S		
47	Service notes forbidding poaching and transport of bushmeat	5.1.2	Ye	No	
			s		
48	Service notes specifying applicable sanctions	5.1.3	Ye	No	
			s		
49	Food provision plan	5.1.4	Ye	No	
			s		

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IV.2.2. Control of Harvesting Site

IV.2.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Boundaries are inspected by walking at least a distance of 500 m on both boundary segments across a main or secondary road.

Assessment areas/aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Boundaries opening	Yes	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punish- able by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128
Boundaries marking		of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-
(with red paint (AAC) or with a fast-growing species (FMU)	Yes No	compliance with provisions of contract specifications punish- able by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Exceeding boundaries		Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with
	Yes 🗌	provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles 65
	No 🗌	and 158(1) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Logging beyond AAC	Yes 🗌	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with
boundaries		provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles
		158(1) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law 81/013 of
	daries for the computation of	27th November 1981
	claims and interests	
	No 🗌	

Logging beyond the	Yes	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance
boundaries of the		with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Ar-
licensed forest area		ticles 158(3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law
	of the licensed forest area for the	81/013 of 27th November 1981
	computation of claims and inter-	or
	ests	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Article
	No 🗌	156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.2.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas/aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Logging map that shows the loca- tion of every tree to be harvested	Existing Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes 🔲 No 🗍	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in con-

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		travention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, with- out prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
DF10 booklet(s)	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Or Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/ charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
		Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate recording of harvesting data (not en- dorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the forestry administration) i.e non- compliance with technical operation stan- dards punishable by <i>Article 65 Law 94/01 of</i> <i>20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law</i> <i>81/013 of 27th November 1981</i>
Compliance with authorized quotas and species	Yes No	Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1)

		year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:
		Harvesting of unauthorized species or Unau- thorized logging in a State forest punishable by Articles 158 and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994.
Waybill booklets	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
		Transportation without waybill or non- compliance with provisions of contract spe-

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		cification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliant DF10/Waybill	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with Minimum Har- vestable Diameters (MHDs)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with Minimum Man- agement Diameters (MMDs)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Accuracy of waybill data	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November
		1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with felling standards 1. Existence of a forested buffer zone of 30-meter wide, meas- ured as from the tidemark, at the sea shore, river bank, lake bank, watercourse bank and swampy areas (Article 15, fore-	Yes No	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th No- vember 1981 Unauthorized felling of protected trees
stry operation standards)2. Unauthorized harvesting of protected trees	Yes No	punishable by <i>Article 155 of Law 94/01 of 20th</i> <i>January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 50,000 to 200,000 CFAF and an imprison- ment for from twenty days to two months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be im-
3. Directional/controlled felling (Article 69 (3) and (4) - forestry operation standards)	Yes No	posed on whoever commits any of the follow- ing offences:

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		damages for timber exploited, as provided for in Section 159 below."
Felling distance - 30 m from a wa- tercourse, i.e no felling in a buffer area of 30 m wide as specified by Article 15 of forestry operation standards	Compliant Non compliant Remark: measure and speci- fy the distance as from which felling should be done	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MP provisions on sylvicultural operations	Yes No Remark: identify the MP provisions that are not com- plied with	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Use of phytocides for sylvicultural operations like thinning and others	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi- sions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with skidding stan- dards, i.e compliance with Chapter XI of MINFOF Forestry Operation Standards		
1. Skidding trails must be planned		

	in a way that shortens them as much as possible by avoiding sensitive areas (Article 78 (1) of	Yes No	
2	Forestry Operation Standards		
2.	Use of the same skidding trail for the extraction of several	Yes	
	stems in the same areas (Article	No	
	78 (2) of Forestry Operation	INO.	
	Standards)		Non compliance with technical operation
3.	Marking of skidding trails before		Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provi-
	the skidding operation takes	Yes	sions of contract specifications punishable by
	place (Article 79 (1), Forestry	No	Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and
	Operation Standards)		Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November
4.	Marking of skidding trails in a		1981
	way that protects crop trees and	Yes	
	seed-bearing stems identified	No	
	by the forestry administration		
	(Article 79 (1) of Forestry Oper-		
-	ation Standards)		
5.	Use of the same skidding trails		
	if they are still usable when		
	trees are felled in an area that	Vee	
	has already been harvested	Yes	
	(Article 80 of Forestry Operation	No	
,	Standards)		
6.	Trees with a diameter exceed-	Vaa	
	ing 10 centimeters that have	Yes	

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been destroyed during skidding7. Skidding of all logs of felled	No 🗌	
trees up to a log yard reachable by road, except in case of prior authorization of the forestry administration (Article 82 (1) of Forestry Operation Standards)	Yes No	
 Abandoning a log along a skid- ding trail or a forest road (Article 82 (2) of Forestry Operation Standards) 	Yes No	
 Use of roads and tracks used by neighbouring populations to extract logs (Article 83 (1) of Fo- restry Operation Standards) Destartion of errors degraded 	Yes No	
10. Restoration of areas degraded during skidding of the roads and tracks used by the neighbouring populations	Yes No	
Marking of logs	Yes 🗌 Compliant 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Stump marking	Yes 🗌 Compliant 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Marking of stems (seed-bearing trees, harvestable trees, and crop	Yes 🗌 Compliant 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
trees)	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No Number Remark: identify the types of trees that have been marked	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Marking of trees broken during felling or entangled and abandoned	Yes 🗌 Compliant 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
in the forest	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Marking of trees of commercial value felled for the construction of	Yes 🗌 Compliant 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
extraction roads or bridges and embankments	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Marking of softwood trees of com- mercial value that are used as	Yes Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
floats for heavy driftwood	Non-compliant	of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Watercourse blocking		Non compliance with technical operation
	Yes	standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	of contract specifications punishable by Article
		65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
		128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Existence of a protection area with-	Yes Marked	Non compliance with technical operation
in the harvested area		standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
	Not marked	of contract specifications punishable by Article
		65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
	No 🗌	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with road construction		Non compliance with technical operation
projects (opening of roads in com-	Yes 🗌	standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
pliance with the project approved	No 🗆	of contract specifications punishable by Article
by the forestry administration)		65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
		128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities		Non compliance with technical operation
	Yes 🗌	standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions
	No 🗆	of contract specifications punishable by Article
		65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
		128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

IV.3. Control of a Council Forest Managed by a Third-Party

IV.3.1. On-site Documentation Review

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	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Cor	nce/Non- npliance ecords	Comments
1	License of the forest operation entity and various subcontractors: forestry trade, inventory, sylviculture, others	1.2.4 & 2.1.1	Yes	No	
2	Map of council forest and certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Yes	No	
3	Map of AAC wherein harvest takes place and certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF			
4	Authorization to construct access road to the concession/awarded area	SNCFF	Yes	No	
5	Map of track/road network	SNCFF	Yes	No	
6	Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	SNCFF	Yes	No	
7	Certificate of inventory compliance	SNCFF	Yes	No	
8	Certificate of Boundaries marking for the council forest	SNCFF	Yes	No	
9	Certificate of Boundaries marking for the valid AAC	SNCFF			
10	Sub-contracting/partnership agreement	1.2.1			
11	Letter of the Minister in charge of forestry approving the sub- contracting/partnership agreement	1.2.2			
12	Contract for service provision	2.1.2	Yes	No	
13	Harvesting site log / DF10 or	2.4.1	Yes	No	
14	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.4.2			
15	Certificate to testify non indebtedness/tax payment issued by the	1.4.1	Yes	No	

	relevant taxation office				
16	Evidence for the payment of VAT and income tax	1.4.2	Yes	No	
17	Evidence for the payment of forest taxes, if provided for by the con- tract specifications for the previous and current years of the control visit	2.5.1			
18	Evidence to show availability of operation equipment (if need be)	SNCFF	Yes	No	
19	Authentic waybill of logs signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
20	Authentic delivery notes (for temporary log yards) signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
21	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
22	Letter to approve the management plan	1.1.2	Yes	No	
23	Order to classify the council forest	1.1.3	Yes	No	
24	Ownership deed in the case of forest plantations	1.1.4	Yes	No	
25	Annual operation authorization	2.2.3	Yes	No	
26	Management plan (MP)	SNCFF	Yes	No	
27	Five-year operational plan	SNCFF	Yes	No	
28	Annual Operational Plan	SNCFF	Yes	No	
20	Authorization to start operations	2.2.4	Yes	No	
30	Report of harvesting inventory	SNCFF	Yes	No	
31	Annual operation report	SNCFF	Yes	No	
32	Contract specifications	4.2.1	Yes	No	
33	Records of the construction of social amenities provided for by the	4.2.2	Yes	No	

	contract specifications				
34	Signed minutes of sensitization meeting on the logging permit by the administration or the Divisional Officer	4.2.3	Yes	No	
35	Internal regulations	5.1.1	Yes	No	
36	Service notes forbidding poaching and transport of bushmeat	5.1.2	Yes	No	
37	Service notes specifying applicable sanctions	5.1.3	Yes	No	
38	Food provision plan	5.1.5	Yes	No	

IV.3.2. Control of Harvesting Site

IV.3.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Assessment Areas/ Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Boundaries opening	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Boundaries marking (with red paint (AAC) or with a fast-growing species (FMU)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Exceeding bounda- ries	Yes No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles 65 and 158(1) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Logging beyond AAC boundaries	Yes Carrying out an inventory of trees harvested beyond the AAC boundaries for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles 158(3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Logging beyond the boundaries of the council forest	Yes Carrying out an invento- ry of trees harvested beyond the boundaries of the licensed forest area for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles 158(1) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 or Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Article 156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.3.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
	Existing Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be		non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications
harvested	Non compliant	punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and
	Non existing	Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Logging beyond the validity period punishable by Article 158
		(2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from
		3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1)
		year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes 🗌	imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the
validity period	No 🗌	following offences: . Exploitation beyond the forestry concession
		and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Ar-
		ticles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for
		timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
DF10 booklet(s)	Yes Inappropriate record keep- ing No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Or Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994

		Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate recording of harvesting data (not endorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the forestry administration) i.e non-compliance with technical operation standards punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with authorized quotas and species	Yes No	Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by <i>Article 158</i> (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Ar- ticles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above." Harvesting of unauthorized species or Unauthorized log- ging in a State forest punishable by Articles 158 and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994.
Waybill booklets	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with

		provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliant DF10/Waybill	Yes 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	No 🗌	Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with Minimum Harvestable Diameters (MHDs)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with Minimum Management Diameters (MMDs)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
 Compliance with felling standards 1. Existence of a forested buffer zone of 30-meter wide, measured as from the tidemark, at the sea shore, river bank, lake bank, watercourse bank 	Yes No	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Unauthorized felling of protected trees punishable by Article 155 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 50,000 to 200,000 CFAF and an imprisonment for from twenty days to two months or both, such fine and imprisonment

 and swampy areas (Ar- ticle 15, forestry operation standards) 2. Unauthorized harvesting of protected trees 3. Directional/controlled felling (Article 69 (3) and (4) - forestry operation standards) 	Yes No Yes No No	shall be imposed on whoever commits any of the following offences:
Felling distance - 30 m from a watercourse, i.e no felling in a buffer area of 30 m wide as specified by Article 15 of forestry operation standards	Compliant Non compliant Remark: measure and specify the distance as from which felling should be done	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MP provi- sions on sylvicultural opera- tions	Yes No Remark: identify the MP provisions that are not complied with	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Use of phytocides for sylvicul- tural operations like thinning and others	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with skidding standards, i.e compliance with Chapter XI of MINFOF Fore- stry Operation Standards		

1. Skidding trails must be				
planned in a way that short-		_		
ens them as much as possi-	Yes			
ble by avoiding sensitive	No			
areas (Article 78 (1) of Fore-		_		
stry Operation Standards				
2. Use of the same skidding				
trail for the extraction of sev-				
eral stems in the same areas	Yes			
(Article 78 (2) of Forestry Op-	No			
eration Standards)				
3. Marking of skidding trails				
before the skidding operation takes place (Article 79 (1) of				
Forestry Operation Stan-	Yes			
dards)	No			
4. Marking of skidding trails in				
a way that protects crop				
trees and seed-bearing				
stems identified by the fore-	Yes			
stry administration (Article 79	No			
(1) of Forestry Operation	NO			
Standards)				
5. Use of the same skidding		_		
trails if they are still usable	Yes			
when trees are felled in an	No			
area that has already been				
harvested (Article 80 of Fo-				
restry Operation Standards)				

6. Trees with a diameter exceeding 10 centimetres	Yes		
that have been destroyed	No		
during skidding	INO		
7. Skidding of all logs of felled			Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
trees up to a log yard reach-			non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications
able by road, except in case of prior authorization of the	Yes		punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
forestry administration (Ar-	No		Ande 126 of Law 61/013 of 27th November 1961
ticle 82 (1) of Forestry Oper-			
ation Standards)			
8. Abandoning a log along a			
skidding trail or a forest road (Article 82 (2) of Forestry	Yes		
Operation Standards)			
9. Use of roads and tracks	No		
used by neighbouring popu-			
lations to extract logs (Article 83 (1) of Forestry Operation	Yes		
Standards)	No		
10. Restoration of areas de-			
graded during skidding of the	Yes		
roads and tracks used by the neighbouring populations	No		
	Yes	Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
Marking of lags	Nesses	manliant 🗖	non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications
Marking of logs	INON-CO	mpliant	punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	Remark	: to specify	

	No 🗌 Number 🗌	Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or mark- ing hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by:
		 Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
	Yes Compliant	Idem
Stump marking	Non-compliant	
Marking of stems (seed- bearing trees, harvestable trees, and crop trees)	Yes Compliant Non-compliant Non-compliant Remark: identify the types of trees that have been marked	Idem

Marking of trees broken dur- ing felling or entangled and abandoned in the forest	Yes Compliant Non-compliant	Idem
Marking of trees of commer- cial value felled for the con- struction of extraction roads or bridges and embankments	Yes Compliant Non-compliant No Number	Idem
Marking of softwood trees of commercial value that are used as floats for heavy driftwood	Yes Compliant Non-compliant	Idem
Watercourse blocking	Yes No Number	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Existence of a protection area within the harvested area	Yes Marked Not marked Not marked	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with road construc- tion projects (opening of roads in compliance with the project approved by the forestry ad- ministration)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities	Done	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

IV.4. Control of a Community Forest Managed by a Third-Party IV.4.1. On-site Documentation Review

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification	Cor	nce/Non- npliance ecords	Comments
1	License of the community or subcontractors: forestry trade, inventory, sylviculture, and others	1.3.4 & 2.1.1	Yes	No	Comments
2	Map of community forest and certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Yes	No	
3	Map of yearly block and Certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Yes	No	
4	Compliance certificate for inventory activities	2.1.3	Yes	No	
5	Authorization to construct access road to the community forest	SNCFF	Yes	No	
6	Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be har- vested	SNCFF	Yes	No	
7	Certificate of Boundaries marking for the community forest	SNCFF	Yes	No	
8	Certificate of Boundaries marking for the yearly block	SNCFF	Yes	No	
9	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.3.1 & 2.4.2			
10	Sub-contracting/partnership agreement(s)	1.3.1	Yes	No	
11	Letter of the Minister in charge of forestry approving the sub- contracting agreement	1.3.2	Yes	No	
12	Contracts for service provision	2.1.2	Yes	No	
13	Provisional management agreement signed between the com- munity and the relevant administrative authority	1.2.2	Yes	No	
14	Ministerial order to approve the streamlined management plan	1.2.4	Yes	No	

15	Final management agreement signed by the relevant administra- tive authority	1.2.5	Yes	No	
16	Harvesting site log (DF10) or SIGIF statement/claim	2.4.1	Yes	No	
17	Authentic log waybills signed by the relevant official of the Minis- try in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
18	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
19	Waybills for sawn timber secured and signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
20	Annual logging certificate	2.2.3	Yes	No	
21	Authorization to start operation (signed by MINFOF Regional Delegate)	2.2.4	Yes	No	
22	Information and sensitization materials (posters, Records, video and audio recordings, etc.) and/or internal regulations	5.1.1	Yes	No	
23	Simplified Management Plan (SMP)	5.1.2 & 5.2.1 4.1.1	Yes	No	
24	Report of harvesting inventory	SNCFF	Yes	No	
25	Authorization to trade log timber	SNCFF	Yes	No	
26	Annual operation report	2.3.2	Yes	No	

IV.4.2. Control of Harvesting Site

IV.4.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Boundaries opening		Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
	Yes 🗌	non-compliance with provisions of contract specifica-
		tions punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January
		1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Boundaries marking (with red paint)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifica- tions punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Exceeding the boun- daries of the commu- nity forest	Yes No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Ar- ticles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Logging beyond the boundaries of the yearly block	Yes Carrying out an inventory of trees harvested beyond the AAC bounda- ries for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Ar- ticle 156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

Logging beyond the boundaries of the community forest	Yes	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Ar- ticle 156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Or
	harvested beyond the boundaries of the licensed forest area for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by

IV.4.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanc- tions
Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be har- vested	Existing Compliant Non compliant	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with the license valid- ity period	Yes No	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and impri- sonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one

		of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the
		forestry concession and/or the volume and period
		granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45
		above, without prejudice to damages for timber ex-
		ploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
		Non compliance with technical operation stan-
DF10 booklet(s)	Yes	dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of
	Inappropriate record keep-	contract specifications punishable by Article 65
	ing 🗌	Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of
		Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	No 🗌	Or
		Falsification or forgery of any document used for
		the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, way-
		bill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of
		20th January 1994
		2011 January 1994
		Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate re-
		cording of harvesting data (not endorsed/not
		signed by the divisional official of the forestry
		administration) i.e non-compliance with technical
		operation standards punishable by Article 65 Law
		94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law
		81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with authorized quo-		Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by
tas and species	Yes 🗌	Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as
	No	follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000

		CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and impri- sonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: . Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber ex- ploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
		Harvesting of unauthorized species or Unautho- rized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994.
Waybill books	Yes Inappropriate record keep- ing	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Transportation without waybill or non-
	No	compliance with provisions of contract specifica- tion punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th Janu- ary 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th No- vember 1981
Waybill books for sawn timber	Yes Inappropriate record keeping	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65

	No		Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
			Transportation without waybill or non- compliance with provisions of contract specifica- tion punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th Janu- ary 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th No- vember 1981
Compliant DF10/Waybill	Yes No		Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, way- bill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with Minimum Har- vestable Diameters (MHDs)	Yes No		Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with felling standards 1. Existence of a forested buffer zone of 30-meter wide, measured as from the tide-	Yes		 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128

	mark, at the sea shore, river	No			of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	bank, lake bank, watercourse			5. I	Unauthorized felling of protected trees punish-
	bank and swampy areas (Ar-			á	able by Article 155 of Law 94/01 of 20th January
	ticle 15 of forestry operations				1994 as follows: "A fine of from 50,000 to 200,000
	standards)	Yes		(CFAF and an imprisonment for from twenty days to
2.	Unauthorized harvesting of	No		t	two months or both, such fine and imprisonment
	protected trees	NO		5	shall be imposed on whoever commits any of the
		Yes		f	following offences: Felling, without authorization,
3.	Directional/controlled felling	165		0	of protected trees, in contravention of Section 43
	(Article 69 (2), (3), and (4) - fo-	No		á	above, without prejudice to the damages for timber
	restry operation standards)				exploited, as provided for in Section 159 below."
Fe	elling distance - 30 m from a	Compliant		No	on compliance with technical operation stan-
Wa	atercourse, i.e no felling in a	Non compl	iant 🗌	da	rds, i.e non-compliance with provisions of
	ffer area of 30 m wide as speci-			со	ntract specifications punishable by Article 65
fie	d by Article 15 of forestry oper-	Remark:	measure and	La	w 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of
ati	on standards	specify the	distance as from	La	w 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		which fellin	g should be done		
Co	mpliance with SMP provisions	Yes		No	on compliance with technical operation stan-
on	sylvicultural operations	No		da	rds, i.e non-compliance with provisions of
		Remark:	identify the MP	со	ntract specifications punishable by Article 65
		provisions		La	w 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of
				La	w 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		complied v			
	se of phytocides for sylvicultural			Nc	on compliance with technical operation stan-
ор	erations like thinning and oth-			No da	on compliance with technical operation stan- ards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of
	erations like thinning and oth-	complied v		Nc da co	on compliance with technical operation stan-

		Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with hauling stan-		
dards, i.e compliance with Chapter		
XI of MINFOF Forest Operations		
Standards (harvesting for log		
trade)		
1. Skidding trails must be		
planned in a way that shortens	Yes	
them as much as possible by	No	
avoiding sensitive areas (Article 78 (1) of Forestry Operation	NO	
Standards		
2. Use of the same skidding trail		
for the extraction of several		
stems in the same areas (Ar-	Yes	
ticle 78 (2) of Forestry Opera-	No	
tion Standards)	NO	
3. Marking of skidding trails		
before the skidding operation	Yes	
takes place (Article 79 (1) of Fo-		
restry Operation Standards)	No	

4. Marking of skidding trails in a			
way that protects crop trees and	Yes		
seed-bearing stems identified	165		
by the forestry administration	No		
(Article 79 (1) of Forestry Oper-			
ation Standards)			
5. Use of the same skidding			
trails if they are still usable		_	
when trees are felled in an area	Yes		
that has already been har-	No	\Box	
vested (Article 80 of Forestry Operation Standards)		—	
6. Trees with a diameter exceed-			
ing 10 centimetres that have	Yes		
been destroyed during skidding	No		
7. Skidding of all logs of felled			Non compliance with technical operation stan-
trees up to a log yard reachable			dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of
by road, except in case of prior	Yes		contract specifications punishable by Article 65
authorization of the forestry	No		Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
administration (Article 82 (1) of	INO		
Forestry Operation Standards)			
8. Abandoning a log along a	Yes		
skidding trail or a forest road			
(Article 82 (2) of Forest Opera-	No		
tion Standards)			
9. Use of roads and tracks used	Yes		
by neighbouring populations to	res		

extract logs (Article 83 (1) of Fo- restry Operation Standards) 10. Restoration of areas de- graded during skidding of the roads and tracks used by the neighbouring populations	No Yes No		
Marking of logs	Yes	Compliant	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: .fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)

Stump marking	Yes Compliant	Idem
	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	
Marking of stems (seed-bearing trees, harvestable trees, and crop	Yes Compliant	ldem
trees)	Non-compliant	
	No Number Remark: identify the types of trees that have been marked	
Marking of trees broken during felling or entangled and aban-	Yes Compliant	ldem
doned in the forest	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	
Marking of trees of commercial value felled for the construction of	Yes Compliant	Idem
extraction roads or bridges and embankments	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	

Marking of softwood trees of commercial value that are used as floats for heavy driftwood	Yes Compliant	Idem
Watercourse blocking	Yes 🗌 No 🗌 Number 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Existence of a protection area within the harvested area	Yes Aarked Arked Not marked Arked Not	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with road construc- tion projects (opening of roads in compliance with the project ap- proved by the forestry administra- tion)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities provided for by the SMP	Done	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

IV.5. Control of Sale of Standing Volume

IV.5.1. On-site Documentation Review

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification	Com	ice/Non- pliance cords	Comments
1	Business license of the forest operation entity or subcontractors and service providers: forestry trade, inventory, sylviculture, others	1.3.5, 1.1.3 & 2.1.1	Yes	No	
2	Order of the Minister in charge of forestry to grant the sale of standing volume	1.2.5	Yes	No	
3	Map of the sale of standing volume and a certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Yes	No	
4	Authorization to construct access road to the sale of standing volume	SNCFF	Yes	No	
5	Map of track network	SNCFF	Yes	No	
6	Logging map	SNCFF	Yes	No	
7	Certificate of inventory compliance	SNCFF	Yes	No	
8	Certificate of Boundaries marking	SNCFF	Yes	No	
9	Sub-contracting/partnership agreement(s)	1.3.1	Yes	No	
10	Letter of the Minister in charge of forestry approving the sub- contracting/partnership agreement	1.3.2	Yes	No	
11	Service provision contract with a licensed organization or a gov- ernment agency	2.1.2	Yes	No	
12	Harvesting site log (DF10)	2.4.1	Yes	No	
13	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.2.1 & 2.4.2	Yes	No	

14	Payment evidence (annual forestry fee, felling tax, all forestry charges provided for by the contract specifications)	2.5.2	Yes	No	
15	Evidence to show availability of operation equipment (if need be)	SNCFF	Yes	No	
16	Authentic log waybills signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
17	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
18	Waybills for sawn timber secured and signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
19	Certificate of annual harvesting	2.3.3	Yes	No	
20	Authorization to start operation (signed by MINFOF Regional Delegate)	2.3.4	Yes	No	
21	Contract specifications	4.2.1	Yes	No	
22	Records of the construction of social amenities provided for by the contract specifications	4.2.2	Yes	No	
23	Signed minutes of sensitization meeting the Divisional Officer	1.2.6	Yes	No	
24	Minutes of the sensitization meeting on the operations relating to the sale of standing volume signed by all stakeholders	4.2.3	Yes	No	
25	Internal regulations	5.1.1	Yes	No	
26	Service notes forbidding poaching and transport of bushmeat	5.1.2	Yes	No	
27	Service notes specifying applicable sanctions	5.1.3	Yes	No	
28	Report of harvesting inventory	1.2.6	Yes	No	

IV.5.2. Control of Harvesting Site IV.5.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Boundaries opening	Yes Vo	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punisha- ble by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Boundaries marking (with red paint)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punisha- ble by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Exceeding the boun- daries of the sale of standing volume	Yes No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Article 156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Logging beyond the boundaries of the SSV	Yes Carrying out an inventory of trees harvested beyond the boundaries of the licensed forest area for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Articles 158(3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 or Unauthorized logging in a State forest punishable by Article 156 (4) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.5.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	Existing Compliant Non compliant Non existin g	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158</i> (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
DF10 booklet(s)	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Or Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by

		Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate recording of harvesting data (not endorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the forestry administration) i.e non-compliance with technical operation standards punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with autho- rized quotas and species	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	 Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:
Waybill for logs books	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-

		Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
		Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with pro- visions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliant DF10/Waybill	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with Mini- mum Harvestable Di- ameters (MHDs)	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with Mini- mum Management Di- ameters (MMDs)	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Accuracy of waybill data	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

		Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Compliance with felling standards 1. Existence of a fo- rested buffer zone of 30-meter wide, measured as from the tidemark, at the sea shore, river bank, lake bank, wa- tercourse bank and swampy areas (Ar- ticle 15 of forestry operations stan- dards) 2. Unauthorized har- vesting of protected trees 3. Directional/controlled felling	Yes Ves Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Unauthorized felling of protected trees punishable by Ar- ticle 155 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 50,000 to 200,000 CFAF and an imprisonment for from twenty days to two months or both, such fine and imprison- ment shall be imposed on whoever commits any of the follow- ing offences:
Felling distance - 30 m	Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-
from a watercourse, i.e no	Non compliant	compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu-
felling in a buffer area of	Remark: measure and	nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
30 m wide as specified by	specify the distance as	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Article 15 of forestry oper-	from which felling	

ation standards	should be done	
Compliance with MP provisions on sylvicultur- al operations	Yes No Remark: identify the MP provisions that are not complied with	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Use of phytocides for sylvicultural operations like thinning and others	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with skid- ding standards, i.e com- pliance with Chapter XI of MINFOF Forestry Operation Standards		
1. Skidding trails must be planned in a way that shortens them as much as possible	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	
by avoiding sensitive areas (Article 78 (1) of Forestry Operation Standards	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	
2. Use of the same skidding trail for the extraction of several	Yes 🗌 No 🔲	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-

	the same		compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu-
	rticle 78 (2)		nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article
		Yes	128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Standar		No 🗌	
3. Marking	of skidding		
trails bet	ore the skid-		
ding ope	eration takes	Yes	
	rticle 79 (1)	No 🗌	
of Fores	try Operation		
Standar			
4. Marking		Yes	
trails in a	a way that		
	crop trees	No 🗌	
	d-bearing	Yes	
	entined by		
	a y a anni no	No 🗌	
	Article 79 (1)		
	try Operation		
Standar	,		
5. Use of the	ne same	х П	
-	trails if they	Yes	
		No 🗌	
	e felled in an		
		Yes	
	rvested (Ar-	No 🗌	
	of Forestry	—	
Operatio	on Stan-	Yes 🗌	

	dordo)	Na	1	
	dards)	No 🗌]	
6.	Trees with a diame-			
	ter exceeding 10			
	centimetres that have			
	been destroyed dur-			
	ing skidding			
7.	Skidding of all logs of			
	felled trees up to a			
	log yard reachable by			
	road, except in case			
	of prior authorization			
	of the forestry admin-			
	istration (Article 82			
	(1) of Forestry Oper-			
	ation Standards)			
8.	Abandoning a log			
0.	along a skidding trail			
	or a forest road (Ar-			
	ticle 82 (2) of Forest			
	Operation Stan-			
	dards)			
0	Use of roads and			
9.	tracks used by			
	neighbouring popula-			
	tions to extract logs			
	(Article 83 (1) of Fo-			
	restry Operation			

Standards) 10. Restoration of areas degraded during skidding of the roads and tracks used by the neighbouring populations		
Marking of logs	Yes Compliant Non-compliant No Number	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (

Stumps marking	Yes	Idem
	Compliant	
	Non-compliant 🗌	
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	
Marking of stems (seed-	Yes	ldem
bearing trees, harvesta-	Compliant	
ble trees, and crop trees)		
ble trees, and crop trees)		
	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌 Number 🗌	
	Remark: identify the	
	types of trees that have	
	been marked	
Marking of trees broken	Yes 🗌	Idem
during felling or entan-	Compliant 🗌	
gled and abandoned in		
the forest	Non-compliant	
	No 📃 Number 🗌	
Marking of trees of	Yes 🗌	Idem
commercial value felled	Compliant	
for the construction of		
extraction roads or	Non-compliant	
bridges and embank-		
ments	No Number	

Marking of softwood trees of commercial value that are used as floats for heavy driftwood	Yes Compliant Non-compliant No Number	Idem
Watercourse blocking	Yes 🗌 No 🗌 Number 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with road construction projects (opening of roads in compliance with the project approved by the forestry administration)	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

IV.6. Control of an Area Covered by a Logging Authorization for Service Timber

IV.6.1. On-site Documentation Review

No	Description		ce/Non- bliance Records	Comments
1	Forestry business license of the forest operation or sub-contractors	Yes	No	
2	Business license of the forest operation or sub-contractors for forest man- agement operations inventory, sylviculture, and others	Yes	No	
3	Logging license/authorization for Service Timber	Yes	No	
4	Map of the area covered by the authorization for service timber and a certif- icate of surface area assessment	Yes	No	
5	Evidence of amenities provided for in the contract specification	Yes	No	
6	Authorization to construct access road to the concession/awarded area	Yes	No	
7	Minutes of the consultation with local populations	Yes	No	
8	Report on the implementation and receiving of social amenities	Yes	No	
9	Map of track/road network	Yes	No	
10	Logging map	Yes	No	
11	Certificate of inventory compliance	Yes	No	
12	Certificate of Boundaries marking	Yes	No	
13	Sub-contracting agreement(s) approved by the Ministry in charge of forestry	Yes	No	
14	DF10	Yes	No	
15	Filings of required taxes	Yes	No	

16	Evidence for tax payment	Yes	No	
17	Evidence to show availability of operation equipment (if need be)	Yes	No	
18	Waybill for sawn timber	Yes	No	
19	Authorization to start operation (signed by MINFOF Regional Delegate)	Yes	No	
20	Report of harvesting inventory	Yes	No	

IV.6.2. Control of Harvesting Site

IV.6.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanc- tions
Boundaries opening	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of con- tract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Boundaries marking (with red paint)	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation stan- dards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of con- tract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Exceeding the boundaries of the area covered by the Authorization for service timber	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Logging beyond the boun- daries of the area covered by the Authorization for service timber	Yes Carrying out an inventory of trees harvested beyond the boundaries of the licensed forest area for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.6.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be harvested	Existing Compliant Non compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes 🗌	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158</i> (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from

	No 🗌	3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
DF10 booklet	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Or Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate recording of harvesting data (not endorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the forestry administration) i.e non-compliance with technical operation standards punishable by Article 65
		Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with authorized quotas and species	Yes No	Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by <i>Article 158</i> (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and impri-

		sonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the follow- ing offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above." Harvesting of unauthorized species or unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate <i>punishable by Articles</i> 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994.
Waybill for sawn timber booklets	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calcu- lation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with pro- visions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with Minimum Harvestable Diameters (MHDs)	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with felling standards		1. Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications

 Existence of a forested buffer zone of 30-meter wide, measured as from the tidemark, at the sea shore, river bank, lake bank, watercourse bank and swampy areas (Ar- ticle 15 of forestry opera- tions standards) Unauthorized harvesting of protected trees Directional/controlled felling (Article 69 (2), (3), and (4) - forestry opera- tion standards) 	Yes No Yes No Yes No	 punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 2. Unauthorized felling of protected trees punishable by Article 155 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 50,000 to 200,000 CFAF and an imprisonment for from twenty days to two months or both, such fine and imprison- ment shall be imposed on whoever commits any of the follow- ing offences:
Felling distance - 30 m from a watercourse, i.e no felling in a buffer area of 30 m wide as specified by Article 15 of forestry operation standards	Compliant Non compliant Remark: measure and specify the distance as from which felling should be done	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with skidding standards, i.e compliance with Chapter XI of MINFOF Forestry Operation Standards 1. kidding trails must be		

planned in a way that shortens them as much as possible by avoiding sen- sitive areas (Article 78 (1) of Forestry Operation Standards 2. Use of the same skidding trail for the extraction of several stems in the same areas (Article 78 (2) of Fo-	Yes No Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-
restry Operation Stan- dards) 3. Marking of skidding trails before the skidding opera- tion takes place (Article 79 (1) of Forestry Operation Standards)	Yes 🗌 No 🔲	compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
4. Marking of skidding trails	Yes 🗌	
in a way that protects crop trees and seed-bearing stems identified by the fo- restry administration (Ar- ticle 79 (1) of Forestry Op-	No 🗌	
eration Standards) 5. Use of the same skidding trails if they are still usable when trees are felled in an	Yes 🗌 No 🔲	

area that has already been		
harvested (Article 80 of Fo-		
restry Operation Stan-		
dards)		
6. Trees with a diameter	Yes 🗌	
exceeding 10 centimetres	No	
that have been destroyed		
during skidding		
7. Skidding of all logs of felled	Yes 🗆	
trees up to a log yard		
reachable by road, except	No 🗌	
in case of prior authoriza-		
tion of the forestry adminis-		
tration (Article 82 (1) of Fo-		
restry Operation Stan-	Yes 🗆	
dards)		
8. Abandoning a log along a	No 🗌	
skidding trail or a forest		
road (Article 82 (2) of For-		
est Operation Standards)		
9. Use of roads and tracks	Yes	
used by neighbouring pop-	No 🗌	
ulations to extract logs (Ar-		
ticle 83 (1) of Forestry Op-		
eration Standards)		
10. Restoration of areas	Yes 🗌	
degraded during skidding	No 🗌	

of the roads and tracks used by the neighbouring populations		
Stump marking	Yes Compliant	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Stems marking (stems to be harvested)	Yes Com- plian t	Idem
	Non-compliant	

	No Num- ber Remark: identify the types of trees that have been marked	
Marking of trees broken during felling or entangled and abandoned in the forest	Yes Compliant Non-compliant	Idem
Marking of trees of commer- cial value felled for the con- struction of extraction roads or bridges and embankments	Yes Com- plian t Non-compliant No Num- ber	Idem
Marking of softwood trees of commercial value that are used as floats for heavy driftwood	Yes Com- plian t Non-compliant	Idem

Watercourse blocking	Yes No Num- ber	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable y Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with road con- struction projects (opening of roads in compliance with the project approved by the forestry administration)	Yes No*	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities	Yes □ No □*	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

IV.7. Control of an Area Covered by an Authorization to Salvage Timber

IV.7.1. Field Documentation Review

The review takes place in the workers' camp before heading to harvesting sites. The table below contains a list of documents to be reviewed:

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Com	ence/Non- pliance Re- cords	Comments
1	License of the forest operation entity or subcontractors: forestry trade, inventory, sylviculture, and others	1.1.3 & 1.3.5	Yes	No	
2	Project paper specifying the precise location of the project, as approved by the relevant officials of the relevant ministry (agricul- ture, public works)	2.1.1			
3	Report/findings of harvesting inventory	1.2.3			
4	Map of the area covered by the authorization to salvage timber and a certificate of surface area assessment	SNCFF	Yes	No	
5	Authorization to construct access roads/tracks to the area cov- ered by the Authorization to salvage timber	SNCFF	Yes	No	
6	Logging map	SNCFF	Yes	No	
7	Certificate of inventory compliance	SNCFF	Yes	No	
8	Certificate of Boundaries marking	SNCFF	Yes	No	
9	Administrative post-harvesting attestation or Records of control visits	2.1.2 & 2.2.1	Yes	No	

10	Sub-contracting/partnership agreement(s) approved by the	1.3.1	Yes	No	
	Ministry in charge of forestry				
11	Letter(s) of the Minister in charge of forestry approving the sub-	1.3.3	Yes	No	
	contracting/partnership agreement(s)				
12	DF10 booklet(s)	SNCFF	Yes	No	
13	Receipts indicating payment of selling price	1.2.7 & 2.3.1	Yes	No	
14	Payment evidence for all other forestry charges provided for by the contract specifications	2.3.2	Yes	No	
15	Log waybills secured and signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
16	Waybills for LVPR secured and signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes	No	
17	Authorization to salvage timber issued by the relevant official of the forest administration	1.2.8	Yes	No	
18	Authorization to start operation signed by MINFOF Regional Delegate	1.2.9	Yes	No	
19	Contract specifications	4.2.1	Yes	No	
20	Records of the construction of social amenities provided for by the contract specifications	4.2.2	Yes	No	
21	Signed minutes of sensitization meeting on the Authorization to salvage timber by the administration or the Divisional Officer	4.2.3	Yes	No	
22	Internal regulations	5.1.1	Yes	No	
23	Service notes forbidding poaching and transport of bushmeat	5.1.2	Yes	No	
24	Service notes specifying applicable sanctions	5.1.3	Yes	No	

IV.7.2. Control of Harvesting Site

IV.7.2.1. Control of Boundaries

Boundaries are inspected by walking on both boundary segments across a main or secondary road.

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Boundaries opening	Yes □ No □*	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Exceeding the bounda- ries of the area covered by the Authorization to salvage timber	Yes □ No □*	Unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Logging beyond the boundaries of the area covered by the Authori- zation to salvage timber	Yes Carrying out an inventory of trees harvested beyond the boundaries of the licensed forest area for the computation of claims and interests No	Unauthorized logging in a State forest or non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Ar- ticles 158(3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994, or 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 or Unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.7.2.2. Control of Compliance with Forestry Operation Standards

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Logging map that shows the location of every tree to be har- vested	Existing Compliant Non compliant Non existing	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of</i> <i>Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be im- posed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
DF10 booklet(s)	Yes Inappropriate record keeping No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Or Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994

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		Missing harvesting site log or inappropriate recording of harvest- ing data (not endorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the forestry administration) i.e non-compliance with technical opera- tion standards punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with authorized quotas and species	Yes No	Exceeding allocated timber volume punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
		Harvesting of unauthorized species or unauthorized logging in a forest of the permanent real estate punishable by Articles 156 (4) and 159 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994.
Waybill booklets	Yes Inappropriate record keeping	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation
	No	of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Compliant DF10/Waybill	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Marking of logs	Yes Compliant	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:

Stump marking	Yes Compliant	Idem
	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌 🛛 Number 🗌	
Watercourse bloc- king	Yes	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law
		81/013 of 27th November 1981
Social amenities	Done	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		81/013 0f 27th November 1981

IV.8. Control of an Authorization to Remove Timber

IV.8.1. Field Documentation Review

No	Description	FLEGT/SNC FF Means of Verification	C	Offence/Non- Compliance Records		Comments
1	Forestry business license of the enterprise that removes authorized timber	1.1.3	Yes		No	
2	Authorization to remove timber issued by the relevant official of the forest administration	1.2.7	Yes		No	
3	Authorization to start operation signed by MINFOF Regional Delegate	1.2.8	Yes		No	
4	Counterfoils of waybills/delivery notes or SIGIF statement	2.1.2	Yes		No	
5	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.1.3	Yes		No	
6	Evidence indicating payment of selling price	2.2.1	Yes		No	
7	Evidence indicating payment of additional 13% of selling price	2.2.2	Yes		No	
8	Authentic log waybills signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes		No	
9	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes		No	
10	Waybills for sawn timber secured and signed by the relevant official of the Ministry in charge of forestry	3.1.1	Yes		No	

IV.8.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Compliance with the license validity period	Yes D No D	Logging beyond the validity period punishable by <i>Article 158 (2) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994</i> as follows: "A fine of from 3,000,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) year for from one year to three years or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: Exploitation beyond the forestry concession and/or the volume and period granted, in contravention of Articles 47(2) and 45 above, without prejudice to damages for timber exploited as provided for in Article 159 above."
Booklets for waybills of	Yes 🗌	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
logs and waybills of	Inappropriate record	non-compliance with provisions of contract specifica-
sawn timber	keeping	tions punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges (DF10, waybill) punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994 Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981

Marking of logs	Yes Compliant	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
5 5		non-compliance with provisions of contract specifica-
	Non-compliant	tions punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January
		1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	No Number	
		Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or mark-
		ing hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by:
		• Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as fol-
		lows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an
		imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both,
		such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever
		commits one of the following offences: .fraudulent use,
		forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boun-
		dary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of
		forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be;
		Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of
		from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for
		from one to five years (
		 Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)

IV.9. Control of Sawmills

IV.8.1. Documentation Review

The documentation review must take place at the office of the forest enterprise that owns the sawmill. The table below contains a list of documents to be reviewed:

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Co	ence/Non- mpliance Records	Comments
1	Authorization of the ministry in charge of industry to build and operate a first class business or receipt of declaration (2 nd class)	1.1.3	Yes	No	
2	Authorizations to import issued by the relevant officials of the ministries in charge of forestry and finance	2.2.4	Yes	No	
3	Registration attestation for exportation trade	SNCFF	Yes	No	
4	Registration attestation for timber processing trade, issued by the minis- try in charge of forestry	1.1.4	Yes	No	
5	Providers' attestation of legal compliance	2.1.2	Yes	No	
6	Sub-contracting/partnership contract(s)	1.2.1	Yes	No	
7	Letter of the ministry in charge of forestry approving the sub-contracting agreement	1.2.2	Yes	No	
8	Forest entity's license for forestry operations, issued by the relevant authority	1.2.5	Yes	No	
9	Payment evidence for sawmill input tax and other forest taxes, if provided for by the contract specifications for the previous and current years of the control visit	2.4.1	Yes	No	

10	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	2.1.1 & 2.3.1	Yes	No	
11	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	2.1.1 & 2.3.1	Yes	No	
12	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	2.1.1 & 2.3.1	Yes	No	
13	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of railway transportation	2.3.2	Yes	No	
14	Container loading attestation issued by the relevant customs authorities (in case of container use for timber transportation) associated with a loading report of the forestry administration	2.3.3	Yes	No	
15	International waybills signed throughout the evacuation itinerary	2.2.2	Yes	No	
16	Attestation of origin and certificate of disease control issued by the exporting country	2.2.3	Yes	No	
17	FLEGT authorization of the country of origin or any other private certifi- cate of legality/sustainable forest management recognized in Cameroon	2.2.4	Yes	No	
18	Monthly operation Records	SNCFF	Yes	No	

II.8.2. Field Control

Assessment	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Areas Sawmill input log/record	Yes Inappropriate record keeping	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	No 🗌	Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
		Missing sawmill input log or inappropriate record keeping of sawmill input data (not endorsed/not signed by the divisional official of the fore- stry administration) i.e non-compliance with forest operation standards punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 or Non-compliance with timber processing standards punishable by Article 156 (3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Matches of con- signment notes for timber logs with timber stocks on the sawmill log yard	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994

Matches of data in the consignment notes for timber logs with log mea- surements	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981Falsification or forgery of any document used for the calculation of forest tax/charges punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/1 of 20th January 1994
Log labelling and/or bar-code	Yes Compliant Non-compliant	 Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Timber stamping	Yes No	Idem

Supply sources	Legal 🗌 Illegal 🗌	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Or Non-compliance with timber processing standards punishable by Article 156 (3) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994

IV.9. Control of Check-Points

IV.9.1. Documentation Review

This includes checking the documentation held by truck drivers that move through the check point, and checking the check-point log/record or check-point registry that contains data on all timber products that have passed through the check-point as indicated in the table below:

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Offence/Non- Compliance Records		Comments
1	Attestation of origin and certificate of disease control issued by the exporting country	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
2	Check-point registry (check-point daily log)	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
3	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
4	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
5	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
6	International waybills signed throughout the itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
7	Check-point registry (check-point daily log)*	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
8	Container loading report (in case of container use for timber transportation)	SNCFF*	Yes	No	

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.9.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Matches of waybill data with trans- ported timber prod- ucts	Yes No	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specifica- tion punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Using waybills to check: the source/origin, desti- nation, species, and volume of trans- ported timber prod- ucts	Yes No Remark: specify missing and inadequate data	Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Labelling and/or	Yes Compliant Compliant Non-compliant Remark:	 Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as fol-

		 lows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Stamping/labelling of (transported or seized) timber products	Yes No	Idem

IV.10. Control along the Transportation Itinerary

IV.10.1. Documentation Review

This includes checking the documents held by trucks drivers, as indicated in the table below:

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification	Co	fence/Non- ompliance Records	Comments
1	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
2	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
3	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
4	International waybills signed throughout the itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
5	Container loading report (in case of container use for timber transportation)	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
6	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of transport on rails	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
7	Attestation of origin and certificate of disease control issued by the exporting country	SNCFF*	Yes	No	

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.10.2. Physical Control

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Assessment	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions					
Areas/Aspects							
Using waybills to		Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of					
check: the	Yes 🗌	contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994					
source/origin, destina-	No 🗌	and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981					
tion, species, and	Remark: specify	/					
volume of transported	missing and inade-	- Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes punishable by Ar-					
timber products	quate data	ticle 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994					
Matches of waybill		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by					
data with transported	Yes 🗌	Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th					
timber products	No 🗌	November 1981					
Labelling and/or bar-		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by					
code of transported	Yes Compliant	Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th					
timber products		November 1981					
	Non-compliant	Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers					
	No 📋	used to carry out labelling punishable by:					
		 Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of 					
		from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to					
		six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on					
		whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use,					
		forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or					
		posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as					
		the case may be;					

		 Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Stamping of trans- ported timber prod- ucts	Yes No	Idem

IV.11. Control of Temporary Log Yards

IV.11.1. Documentation Review

This review is carried out at the temporary log yards. The following documents as indicated in the below table shall be available at the temporary log yard.

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Offence/Non- Compliance Report		Comments
1	Authorization to open a temporary log yard	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
2	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
3	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
4	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
5	International waybills signed throughout the itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
6	Container loading report made by the forest administration at the	SNCFF*	Yes	No	

	loading site (in case of container use for timber transportation)				
7	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
	relevant official in case of railway transportation				

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.11.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and Applicable Sanctions
Using every delivery note/waybill for temporary log yard to check: the source/origin, destination, species, and volume of trans- ported timber products	Yes No Remark: specify missing and inadequate data	 Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Match of waybill data with on-		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification
site timber products	Yes No	punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Log labelling and/or bar-code		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification
stamping	Yes Compliant	punishable by Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Ar-
		ticle 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
	Non-compliant	
	No 🗌	Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking
		hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by:

		 Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
On-site stamping of logs	Yes No	Idem
Compliance with MHDs	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications pu- nishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MMDs	Yes No	Idem
Maintenance of delivery notes for temporary log yards	Inadequate	Idem

IV.12. Control at Airports and Ports

IV.12.1. Documentation Review

This includes checking the documents that are associated to the different products in the log yard, containers or trucks. Each exporter of forest products shall hold the documents listed in the table below. Officials at airport and port storing sites, as well as carriers must hold the below mentioned documents.

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification	Means of Compliance		Comments
1	Export authorization (quota/specifications of exported products)	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
2	Specification sheets	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
3	Registration attestation for exportation trade	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
4	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
5	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
6	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
7	International waybills signed throughout the evacuation itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
8	CITES authorization	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
9	Container loading report made by the forest administration at the loading site (in case of container use for timber transportation)	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
10	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of railway transportation	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
11	FLEGT authorization	SNCFF*	Yes	No	

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.12.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Checking on each waybill (waybill		Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with
for logs, waybill for sawn timber,	Yes 🗌	provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of
delivery notes/waybill for temporary	No 🗌	94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of
log yard, and international waybills)	Remark: spe-	27th November 1981
the source/origin, destination, spe-	cify missing	
cies, and volume of transported	and inade-	Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes pu-
timber products	quate data	nishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Match of waybill data with physical		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification
products on the yard or on a ve-	Yes 🗌	punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and
hicle	No 🗌	Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Match of the data of specification		Idem
sheets, waybills, and CITES autho-	Yes 🗌	
rization with physical products	No 🗌	
Labelling of products and/or bar-		Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification
code stamping (logs/logs) at sto-	Yes 🗌	punishable by Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
rage yards and on vehicles	No 🗌	Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking
		hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by:
		• Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows:
		"A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprison-
		ment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and
		imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of
		the following offences:fraudulent use, forgery or de-

Stamping of products (logs, bundle) at the storage yard	Yes 🗌 No 🗆	 struction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994) Idem
Compliance with MHDs	Yes No	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MMDs	Yes 🔲 No 🗌	Idem

IV.13. Control at Railway Stations

IV.13.1. Documentation Review

This includes checking the documents that are associated to the different products in the log yard, containers or trucks. Each company shall hold the documents listed in the table below. The carriers and the storage yard manager at the railway station shall hold these documents.

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCF F Means of Verification	Co	mp	e/Noi lianc ecord	e	Comments
1	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of railway transportation	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
2	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
3	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
4	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
5	International waybills signed throughout the evacuation itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
6	Container loading report made by the forest administration at the loading site	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
7	FLEGT authorization	SNCFF*	Yes		No		
8	CITES authorization	SNCFF*	Yes		No		

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.13.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Checking on each waybill (waybill for logs, waybill for sawn timber, delivery notes/waybill for temporary log yard, and international waybills)	Yes No Remark: specify	
the source/origin, destination, species, and volume of trans- ported timber products	missing and inadequate data	Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Match of waybill data with physical products on the yard or on a vehicle	Yes No	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punish- able by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Match of the data of specifica- tion sheets, waybills, and CITES authorization with physi- cal products	Yes 🔲 No 🗍	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Labelling of products and/or bar-code stamping (logs/logs) at storage yards and on ve- hicles	Yes No	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punish- able by Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
		Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of

Stamping of producto (logo	Yes	 from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprisonment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the following offences: fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Stamping of products (logs, bundle) at the storage yard	Yes ∐ No □	Idem
Compliance with MHDs	Yes 🔲 No 🗍	Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e non- compliance with provisions of contract specifications punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MMDs	Yes 🗌 No 🔲	Idem

IV.14. Control at Border Check-Points

IV.14.1. Documentation Review

This includes checking the documents that are associated to the different products in the log yard, containers or trucks. Each exporter of forest products shall hold the documents listed in the table below. The vehicle/truck drivers and the storage yard manager at the border check-point shall hold these documents.

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification	Offence/Non- Compliance Records		Comments
1	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of railway transportation	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
2	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
3	Authentic waybill for sawn timber signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
4	Authentic waybills for temporary log yards signed by relevant authorities	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
5	International waybills signed throughout the evacuation itinerary	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
6	Container loading report made by the forest administration at the loading site	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
7	FLEGT authorization of the source country	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
8	CITES authorization	SNCFF*	Yes	No	
9	Attestation of origin and certificate of disease control	SNCFF*	Yes	No	

* These documents that are required by SNCFF are included in all the VPA-FLEGT legality check-lists in Cameroon.

IV.14.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Checking on each waybill (waybill for logs, waybill for sawn timber, delivery notes/waybill for temporary log yard, and international waybills) the source/origin, destination, spe- cies, and volume of transported timber products	Yes D No D Remark: specify missing and inadequate data	Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes punishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Match of waybill data with physical products on the yard or on a ve- hicle	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Match of the data of special con- signment, waybills, and CITES authorization with physical products	Yes 🗌 No 🗍	Idem
Labelling of products and/or bar- code stamping (logs/logs) at sto- rage yards and on vehicles	Yes 🔲 No 🗍	 Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks or marking hammers used to carry out labelling punishable by: Article 156 (9) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 as follows: "A fine of from 200,000 to 10,000,000 CFAF or an imprisonment of one (1) month to six months or both, such fine and imprison- ment shall be imposed on whoever commits one of the follow-

		ing offences:fraudulent use, forgery or destruction of marks, marking hammers, boundary marks or posts utilized by the services in charge of forestry, wildlife and fisheries, as the case may be; Article 204 (1d) of the Criminal Code as follows: A fine of from 40,000 to 4,000,000 CFAF and/or imprisonment for from one to five years (Article 65 of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994)
Stamping of products (logs, bundle)	Yes	Idem
at the storage yard	No	
Compliance with MHDs		Non compliance with technical operation standards, i.e
	Yes 🗌	non-compliance with provisions of contract specifications
	No 🗍	punishable by Article 65 Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and
		Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Compliance with MMDs	Yes 🗌	Idem
	No 🗌	

IV.15. Control of Special Products

IV.15.1. Documentation Review

This includes reviewing all the documents that accompany the various special products throughout their handling chain, at check-points, ports, airports, railway stations, or border check-points. The harvesting entity and the carrier of special products shall hold these documents.

No	Description	FLEGT/SNCFF Means of Verification		ffence/Non- npliance Re- cords	Comments
1	License as a forestry operator	1.1.3 & 1.3.4	Yes	No	
2	Order of the ministry of forestry to grant the special license	1.2.3	Yes	No	
3	Sub-contracting/partnership contract	1.3.1	Yes	No	
4	Letter of the ministry of forestry to approve the sub- contracting/partnership agreement	1.3.2	Yes	No	
5	Authorization of the ministry in charge of industry (processing) to build and operate a classified business	1.3.5	Yes	No	
6	Attestation of the ministry in charge of forestry to testify regis- tration as a timber processor	1.3.6	Yes	No	
7	Post-harvesting inspection certificate/note	2.2.2	Yes	No	
8	Payment receipts of the regeneration tax for the previous and current years	2.3.1	Yes	No	
9	Contract specifications	2.3.2	Yes	No	
10	Contract specifications for CITES products	3.3.5	Yes	No	
11	Authorizations to import issued by the relevant officials of the	3.2.1	Yes	No	

	ministries in charge of forestry and finance				
12	Attestation to testify registration as a forest product exporter	SNCFF	Yes	No	
13	Attestation of origin issued by the exporting country	3.2.3	Yes	No	
14	CITES authorization/license	SNCFF	Yes	No	
15	Waybills signed by relevant authorities	3.1.1	Yes	No	
16	International waybills signed throughout the evacuation itine- rary	3.2.2	Yes	No	
17	Specification sheets	3.3.2	Yes	No	
18	Valid legality certificate/supplying license	3.1.2	Yes	No	
19	Logging license	SNCFF	Yes	No	
20	FLEGT authorization of the country of origin or any other certif- icate of legality/sustainable forest management recognized in Cameroon	3.2.4	Yes	No	
21	Special declaration through a consignment note signed by the relevant official in case of railway transportation	3.3.3	Yes	No	
22	Container loading report made by the forest administration at the loading site (in case of container use for timber transporta- tion)	3.3.4	Yes	No	

IV.15.2. Field Control

Assessment Areas/Aspects	Records	Offences/Non-Compliance and applicable Sanctions
Checking on each waybill: the source/origin, destination, and volume of special products	Yes No Note: specify missing and inadequate data	Transportation without waybill or non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981 Falsification or forgery of waybills/consignment notes pu- nishable by Article 158 (7) of Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994
Match of waybill data with transported special products	Yes No	Non-compliance with provisions of contract specification punishable by Article 65 of 94/01 of 20th January 1994 and Article 128 of Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981
Match of the data of specifica- tion sheets, waybills, and CITES authorization with physical products	Yes No	Idem
Bar-code	Presence	Idem
Compliance with logging standards and techniques	Yes 🗌 No 🔲	Idem

Format of Control Visit Records

Executive summary in which the difficulties encountered are raised.

1. General Introduction

- 1.1. Control Visit Background
- 1.2. Control Visit Objectives
- 1.3. Control Team
- 1.4. Control Visit Equipment
- 1.5. Control Itinerary and Schedule

2. Implementation of Control Visit in X Division

2.1. Control of the logging company, council, or community, as well as log yards, X check-point(s)

2.1.1. Consultation with Administrative Authorities

Summaries of interviews with divisional officers and local judiciary authorities, as well as MINFOF regional, divisional and local officials

2.1.2. Short Description of Logging Company, Council, Community

- **2.1.2.1.1.** Introduction of Logging Company or Logging Operation
- 2.1.2.1.2. Description of Licenses, Sawmills

2.1.3. Technical Verification Activities (in the form of narration) in Logging Company, Council or Community Control Visit Date

Interviewed Officials/persons

- 2.1.3.1. Opening Meeting
- 2.1.3.2. On-site Documentation Review
- 2.1.3.3. On Harvesting Sites
- 2.1.3.4. At Log Yards
- 2.1.3.5. Control along Transportation Itinerary
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- 2.1.3.7. At Ports, Airports, and Railway Stations
- 2.1.3.8. At Borders and Check-Points

2.1.4. Control Findings

2.1.4.1. Closing Meeting

- 2.1.4.1.1. Summaries of Field Observations
- 2.1.4.1.2. Identified Offences and Applicable Sanctions
- 2.1.4.2. Conclusion and Recommendations

2.2. Control of Logging Company, Council, or Community, as well as Log Yards, X Check-Point(s)

3. Implementation of Control Visit in Y Division

<u>Annexes</u>

List of Consulted Individuals per Company, Council, Community, Railway Station, Check-Point

Follow-up of the use of Control Records - Presentation Format for list of Offences/Non-compliances

At the ministry of forestry, offences or non-compliances are presented with the following details:

- reference of the control visit
- entity name or trade name of defaulter (with complete address and applicable logging license where the offence has been committed)
- identified offence and applicable legal requirements
- reference of offence/non compliance report
- amount and reference of initial fine notification
- amount and reference of fine settlement
- paid amount (initial fine, amount reached based on fine settlement or deposit)
- Comments on litigation status (solved or pending in court)

A court case is presented with the following details:

- court case reference
- case title and reference of offence/non-compliance report that
 led to the litigation
- name of State counsel and/or date of court seizure and name of attorney (if need be)
- litigation issue, i.e offences
- court seized
- court judgement
- Comments

Glossary

Authorization to Salvage Timber: license to fell or harvest timber on the site of a development project that may lead to the destruction of part of the national forest real estate, or in case of natural disaster with similar effects

Logging beyond Boundaries: Extending the area covered by the logging license beyond the boundaries set by the forestry administration in the license allocation order

Exceeding Allocated Timber Volume: harvesting a timber volume (m3 or number of stems) higher than the volume granted by the forestry administration

Remove Timber (Authorization to): extraction of timber left in the forest, forest log yards or along extraction tracks, logs without visible labels, logs on the seashore, and timber from illegal harvesting

Unauthorized Logging: harvesting timber without a logging license granted by the forestry ministry.

Logging beyond Boundaries: harvesting timber beyond the boundaries set by the logging license granted by the forestry ministry.

Reference Documents

- 1. National Control Strategy on Forest and Wildlife (NCSFW), 2005 edition.
- 2. Law 94/01 of 20th January 1994 to lay down forestry, wildlife and fisheries regulations.
- 3. Decree No 95/531/PM of 23rd August1995 to set conditions for the implementation of the forestry code.
- 4. Decision No 135/B/MINEF/CAB of 26th November 1999 to define procedures for forest classification in the permanent forest real estate (in French).
- Decision No 0108/D/MINEF/CAB of 9 February 1998 to define forest operation standards in the Republic of Cameroon (in French).
- Order No 0222/A/MINEF of 25th May 2001 to define procedures for the development, control, verification of the implementation of management plans in production forests within the permanent forest real estate (in French).
- 7. Manual of Procedures for the Attribution and Norms for the management of Community Forests (*Manuel des procédures d'attribution et des normes de gestion des forêts communautaires*) (in French).
- 8. CITES convention.
- 9. Cameroon-EU VPA-FLEGT.
- 10. Law 81/013 of 27th November 1981.

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Décision $\mathbb{N}^{\circ} - 0.6.8.0$ /D/MINFOF/CAB du <u>2.8 DEC 2012</u> Rendant exécutoire le Guide du Contrôleur Forestier adapté à la Stratégie Nationale de contrôle forestier et faunique et aux grilles de légalités de l'APV-FLEGT au Cameroun.

LE MINISTRE DES FORETS ET DE LA FAUNE

- Vu la Constitution ;
- Vu la loi n°94/01 du 20 Janvier 1994 portant régime des Forêts, de la Faune et de la Pêche;
- Vu le Décret N°95/531/PM du 23 Août 1995 fixant les modalités d'application du Régime des Forêts ;
- Vu le Décret N°2005/099 du 26 Avril 2005 portant organisation du Ministère des Forêts et de la Faune modifié et complété par le Décret N°2005/495 du 31 Décembre 2005 ;
- Vu le Décret N°2011/408 du 09 Décembre 2011 portant organisation du Gouvernement ;
- Vu le Décret N°2011/410 du 09 Décembre 2011 portant formation du Gouvernement ;
- Vu le rapport de l'atelier de validation du guide du contrôleur forestier adapté à la stratégie de contrôle forestier et faunique et aux grilles de légalités de l'APV-FLEGT Cameroun organisé le 14 décembre 2012 à Yaoundé;

Considérant les nécessités de service,

DECIDE

Article 1^{er}: Est rendu exécutoire, pour compter de la date de signature de la présente décision, le guide du contrôleur forestier adapté à la stratégie de contrôle forestier et faunique et aux grilles de légalités de l'APV-FLEGT Cameroun par le Ministère des Forêts et de la Faune.

<u>Article 2</u>: Les services centraux et déconcentrés du Ministère des Forêts et de la Faune sont chargés de l'application de la présente décision, qui sera enregistrée et communiquée partout où besoin sera.

Ampliations :

- SG/PM (ATCR)
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- IG/MINFOF
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- Tous les syndicats Affichage/Celcom
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