



PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR LICENCES FOR YEAR 2019

The GFC notifies all stakeholders that from November 13th 2018, it will commence receiving applications for the following year 2019 licences:

1. Timber Dealers Licence
2. Sawmill Licence
3. Firewood Dealers Licence
4. Charcoal Dealers Licence
5. Sawpit Licence
6. Timber Path Licence
7. Timber Depot Licence
8. Timber Grading License

The following conditions apply:

1. Completed applications must be submitted to the nearest forest station.
2. Applications will not be processed from persons/companies:
 - a) Indebted to the GFC
 - b) Whose registers does not meet GFC requirements
3. Applications must be accompanied by the relevant proof of ownership or occupation of the property on which the business/operations would be conducted.
4. **Application must be accompanied with a copy of business or company registration or ID reference, police clearance, list and registration of equipment to be used in the operation and names of employees currently employed.**
5. Applications for timber dealers & sawmill licences must be accompanied by:
 - a. Relevant consent/approval of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for operating such a business at the prescribed location(s).
 - b. Relevant consent/approval of the Neighbourhood Democratic Council (NDC) and Central Housing & Planning Authority (CH&PA) for operating such a business at the prescribed location(s).
6. Sawmill and lumber yard operators must ensure all their returns (Sawmill Returns, Lumberyard Returns, Wood Products Sales and Wood Products Supply) have been submitted to the GFC.
7. Please note that submitting an application and payment of application fees does not give permission for commencing any business/operations.
8. All licence fees must be fully paid and licence uplifted before the commencement of any business/operations.
9. State Forest Permission (SFP) holders and owners of private property intending to produce chain saw lumber must have a valid sawpit licence before they can commence production or collect removal permits. Please note that your sawpit applications must include the type/model and serial numbers of the chainsaws intended to be used for the operation along with a proof of ownership of the chainsaws.
10. The GFC wishes to advise that it will not issue licences to applicants who seek to operate on locations previously deemed unauthorized.
11. Timber grading applications must be accompanied by a copy of the Certificate of Successful Completion.

The Guyana Forestry Commission will not be responsible for any loss or damages suffered by any person/company for failing to abide by the above conditions.

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