



## **POLICY ON USE OF PESTICIDES**

It's acknowledged that any FMU that is certified under MTCS subscribes to the strict compliance with MTCS's MC&I SFM and fully committed to adopting an environmental friendly approach to forest management.

This policy refers specifically to Criterion 6.6 under Principle 6: Environmental Impact of the MTCS's MC&I SFM wherein it is required that forest management shall:

- Adopt, where possible, environmentally friendly non-chemical methods of pest management and strive to avoid the use of chemical pesticides;
- prohibit the use of;
  - WHO Type IA and 1B and chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides;
  - Pesticides that are persistent, toxic or whose derivatives remain biologically active and accumulate in the food chain beyond their intended use; and
  - Pesticides banned under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, 2001.

If the chemicals are used, proper equipment and training shall be provided to minimise health and environment risks.

Guidelines for storage and handling of the chemicals shall be in accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health (Use and Standards of Exposure of Chemical Hazardous to Health) Regulations 2000 and Pesticides Act 1974.

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