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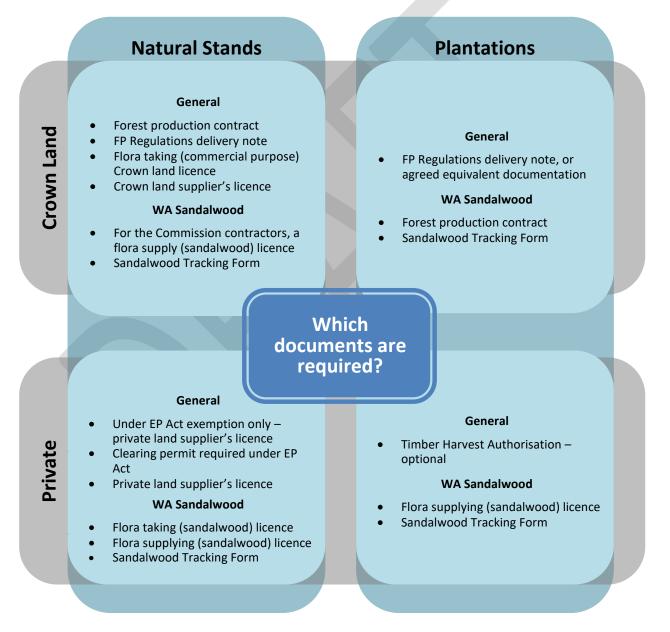


# Quick reference guide: identifying legal timber from Western Australia

This quick reference guide supports the State Specific Guideline for Western Australia (WA). These documents may be used by processors of raw logs from WA to carry out their due diligence in accordance with the *Illegal Logging Prohibition Act 2012* and the <u>Illegal Logging Prohibition Regulation 2012</u>.

## Documents to show legality of timber from Western Australia

A summary of applicable documents is provided in the matrix below:



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### WA Sandalwood

The harvesting of WA sandalwood (*Santalum spicatum*) is legislated by WA's *Biodiversity Conservation 2016* Act and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2018 (BC Regulations).

To demonstrate legality, documents depend on whether the WA sandalwood is sourced from natural stands (wild sandalwood) by the Forest Products Commission (FPC) or private supplier; or is plantation cultivated WA sandalwood grown on private property (plantation sandalwood).

All wild sandalwood produced from public lands through a FPC production contract is delivered to a central processing contractor. Supply of this sandalwood is only available from the FPC.

If the supply is wild sandalwood is sourced from a non-FPC private supplier, the supplier must hold and be able to produce a:

- Flora taking (sandalwood) licence; or valid <u>Environmental Protection Act 1986</u> (EP Act) clearing permit, or exemption advice under the <u>Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation)</u> <u>Regulations 2004</u> (Clearing Regulations); and
- Flora supplying (sandalwood) licence; and
- Sandalwood Tracking Form when transporting specifically controlled sandalwood.

If the supply is plantation sandalwood, the supplier must hold and be able to produce a:

- Flora supplying (sandalwood) licence, and use the
- Sandalwood Tracking Form when transporting specifically controlled sandalwood.

#### **Other WA forest products**

Raw logs sourced in Western Australia may come from either public or private lands, and from either native forests or plantations.

Most logs from native forests and plantations located on public land are produced through an FPC production contract and recorded on an FPC native forest or plantation log delivery note (or D-note).

Native flora forest products sourced from a non-FPC supplier must be able to produce:

- a valid clearing permit under the EP Act or evidence of an exemption under the Clearing Regulations; and
- appropriate licence (taking and/ or suppling flora) issued under the BC Regulations.

### Who should I contact for further information?

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