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## Where can I cut an Alaska Christmas tree?

(Fairbanks, AK) – 'Tis the season for harvesting Christmas trees on state and other public lands in Alaska.

The Alaska Division of Forestry allows Alaska residents to cut Christmas trees on unrestricted state lands. The maximum tree height is 15 feet and the limit is one tree per household.

DNR offers multi-agency maps and information for harvesting Christmas trees in Southcentral and Interior Alaska at <a href="http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/christmastree.htm">http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/christmastree.htm</a>. Anyone with questions can call the DNR Public Information Centers in Anchorage (907-269-8400) or Fairbanks (907-451-2705).

Here are some other guidelines for safe, legal cutting of Christmas trees on state lands:

-- Properly identify land ownership where you intend to cut your tree. If you have any questions regarding land ownership, consult your local area Division of Foresty office.

-- The Division of Forestry does not maintain forest roads and individuals should be prepared to travel on rough, snow-covered roads. Anyone traveling on forest roads should have appropriate gear and equipment in the event they become stuck. This includes tire chains, a shovel, tow strap and warm clothing.

-- Christmas trees cut on state land are for personal use only and may not be sold.

- -- Cut trees as low to the ground as possible.
- -- Cutting trees in tree plantations is prohibited.

-- Do not litter and be courteous to other tree cutters and/or residents who live in the area.

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