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## Quick reference guide for South Australia

This quick reference guide supports the **State Specific Guideline** for **South Australia**. These may be used by processors of raw logs sourced from South Australia to carry out their due diligence in accordance with the *Illegal Logging Prohibition Act 2012* and the *Illegal Logging Prohibition Amendment Regulation 2013* (the Regulation).

Timber harvested in South Australia (SA) is generally sourced from plantations. Currently most are covered by certification, and as such constitute a low risk for processors of non-compliance under the Regulation.

### Plantations

#### With certification

Currently, two certification schemes listed in the Regulation are relevant in SA. Specifically, the majority of the wood harvested in SA is currently certified under the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) scheme. Certification documents from any of these frameworks may suggest there is a low risk that the timber is from an illegal source.

#### Without certification

A smaller proportion of SA logs provided to a processor may be from privately owned small growers or plantations. In this instance the private grower may have a right to harvest through a **Commercial Forest Plantation Licence**. However, this is not a mandatory process for private landowners who wish to harvest.

If SA plantation logs are provided to a processor from either:

- a private grower without a commercial forest plantation licence; or
- a non-certified company (or from a non-certified location within a certified company),

then the processor should undertake their own risk assessment.

### Native Vegetation (non-plantation)

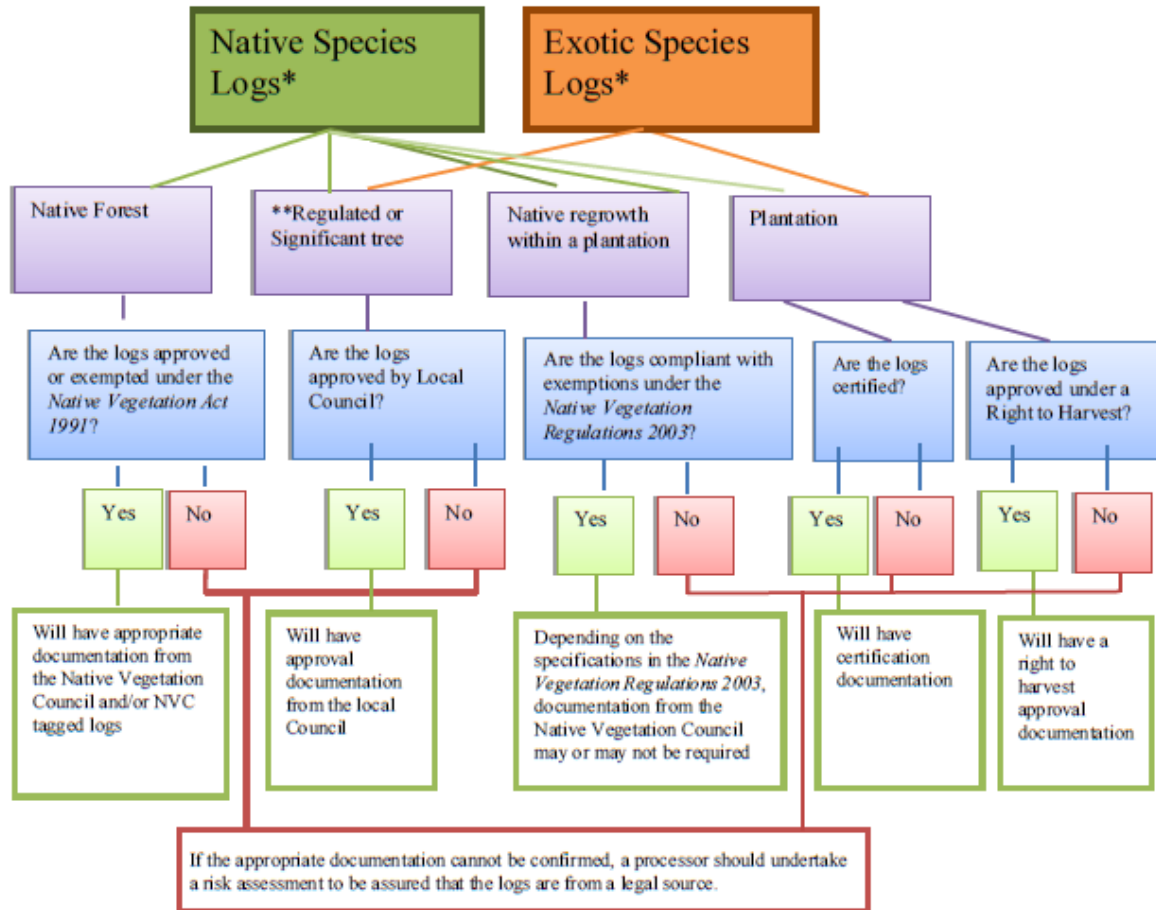
If logs are sourced from native vegetation (non-plantation), then a harvester is required to possess:

- clearance approval from the Native Vegetation Council (NVC) (and in some circumstances the Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation) under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* to harvest the logs, or
- an exemption under one of the regrowth regulations to harvest/clear the native vegetation.

### Other information

Given the proximity of the South-Eastern region of SA to South-West Victoria, the State Specific Guideline for South Australia **should be read in conjunction with the State Specific Guideline for Victoria** for raw logs sourced from this region.

The chart overleaf outlines the process of identifying if SA logs have been legally harvested.



\* A log may fit into more than one category.

\*\* For requirements of the Regulated or Significant trees refer to the *Development Act 1993*.

For further information please refer to the **State Specific Guideline for South Australia**.

## Who should I contact for further information?

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