

# CSA Z-809/08 Standard

What is new?

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# The Standard

- Organization Consistency
- Mandatory Discussion Topics
- Mandatory Core Indicators
- Strengthened First Nation

# Line by Line

- Requirement
- Comment

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## Sec 4.2

(d) “implementation of adaptive management”

- A new “*Required Activity*”
- Means implementing what we learn from experience, monitoring and new research.

## Sec 5.2 (e)

- (iv) “the reasons for not participating, if provided; and”
  - (v) “efforts within the organization to enable participation”.
- New information parameters that must be maintained in the list of “*Interested Parties*”.
  - Busy work that means additional efforts in communication, tracking and documenting.

## Sec 5.3 (a)

(xiv) “a mechanism to measure participants’ satisfaction with the process”

- New item to incorporate in the “*Basic Operating Rules*” for the public participation process.
- Could be a simple survey. A few already in existence.
- Could make it a corporate process.

## Sec 5.4

- (c) “develop one or more possible strategies;”
- (d) “assess and select one or more strategies;”

- New wording for the “*Content*” of the participation process and the opportunity that must be provided to the participants.
- More flexible language with the elimination of the word “alternate”; easier to meet.

# Sec 6.1

(d) "... A clear justification shall be provided for why the targets have been chosen;"

"The work shall be recorded and summarized in the SFM plan."

- New requirement in the establishment process of "*Performance Requirements*" with the public participants.
- Additional documentation and justification work.
- Documentation cannot be only in meeting minutes but must be summarized in SFMP.
- Some already done.

# Sec 6.3

*See table of discussion items and core indicators*

- Introduces 27 new “*Discussion Items*” and 35 new “*Core Indicators*” that must be incorporated in the process and SFMP.
- Evidence would likely be in minutes that the Discussion Items were discussed.
- The new SFMP will need to include the specified Core Indicators. Some may replace existing ones or be already in use.
- Lots of work here.

# Sec 6.3.1

Element 1.3 “...and ensuring that reforestation programs are free of genetically modified organisms.”

- New words added to element on Genetic Diversity and element on Protected Areas.
- No issue

Element 1.4 “Co-operate in broader landscape management related to protected areas and sites of special biological and cultural significance.”

## Sec 6.3.2

Element 2.2 “Reforest promptly and use tree species ecologically suited to the site.”

- New words added to element on Ecosystem Productivity.
- No issue

# Sec 6.3.5

Element 5.1 “Evaluate timber and non-timber forest products and forest-based services.

“Element 5.2 “...and by supporting local community economies.”

- New words added to element on Timber & non-timber Benefits and element on Communities and Sustainability
- Probably no issue on the first.
- Could be issues on the second as it brings in Core Indicator on level of Aboriginal participation in forest economy

# Sec 6.3.6

Element 6.1 “Understand and comply with current legal requirements related to Aboriginal title and rights, and treaty rights.

“Element 6.3 “Encourage, co-operate with, or help to provide opportunities for economic diversity within the community.

“Element 6.4 “...and that there is general public awareness of the process and its progress.”

- New words added to element on Aboriginal & Treaty Rights.
- Probably no issue
- 6.3 is a new element so new indicators are required.
- New words added to element on Fair & Effective Decision-making.
- Requires demonstration of the added words.

## Sec 7.2

(c) "...and recognize  
Aboriginal..."

(d) "...with rights to and  
interest..."

(g) "honour all  
international  
agreements and  
conventions to which  
Canada is a signatory."

- New words added to content requirements of the "*SFM Policy*" statement.
- Will require a revision to the current statement.

## Sec 7.3.2

“Where there are parties operating within the DFA that are not interested in participating and are not necessary for the achievement of the SFM elements, the organization may proceed without their involvement provided that the objectives and targets can still be achieved.”

- New words added to the “*Shared Responsibility*” requirements.
- Should be no issue. May be helpful.

## Sec 7.3.3

(a) “respect the legal rights and responsibilities of other parties in the DFA that are not part of the certification applicant;”

(c) “...Aboriginal title and rights,...”

- Additional “*Rights and Regulations*” that must be identified and respected.
- Should be no issue.

# Sec 7.4.3 (e)

- “(i) a description of the audit process, objectives, and scope;
- (ii) the scope of certification;
- (iii) DFA and tenure description;
- (iv) a list of the elements audited both off-site and on-site;
- (v) the name of the certified organization and/or co-applicant (s) that were audited, including their representatives;
- (vi) the name of the certification body, lead auditor, and audit team members;
- (vii) the dates the audit was conducted and certification completed; (
- viii) a summary of the findings, including general descriptions of non-conformities, opportunities for improvement, and exemplary practices/positives;
- (ix) a statement of corrective actions taken for current non-conformities;
- (x) the status of non-conformities from previous audits;
- (xi) the certification recommendation;
- (xii) the number of sites visited on the ground and activities observed;
- (xiii) the number of public participation members, government officials, DFA-related workers, and other interested parties that were interviewed;
- (xiv) the date of the next audit; and
- (xv) forest areas for the next audit.”

- New specific “*Communication*” items that are to be made available to the public.
- All should be part of the Certifier’s audit report.
- Could post on www

## Sec 7.5.1

- (d) “assess the quality, validity, and meaningfulness of the locally determined indicators and all of the targets.”
  - New “*Monitoring and Measurement*” requirements.
  - Will require some sort of new process.

# Mandatory Items

- Discussion Topics
- Core Indicators

# What Next

- WFP Strategy
- SFMP Z809/08 compliant
- One Certificate