

Giant Tree Policy

Sustainable Timber Tasmania is responsible for land management and wood production in Tasmania's Permanent Timber Production Zone.

Background

Tasmania's eucalypts are amongst the largest trees in the world – attaining heights of almost 100m and diameters of more than 5m – and are of both national and international significance.

In Tasmania, the extensive areas of World Heritage, National Parks and other conservation reserves already provide protection for the majority of Giant trees in the state's public forests. However, Sustainable Timber Tasmania acknowledges the natural and cultural value of Giant trees that occur in Tasmania's production forests.

Giant trees are defined under this policy as live trees that are either:

- a) taller than 85m; or
- b) wider than 4m in diameter*; or
- c) greater than 280m³ estimated volume.

**diameter is measured at breast height (dbh) approximately 1.3m above ground level on uphill side.*

Objective

Under this policy, Sustainable Timber Tasmania will identify and protect Giant trees within informal reserves in Tasmania's Permanent Timber Production Zone.



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