



## **Forests (Code of Ethics for Registered Forestry Advisers) Rules 2022**

These rules are made by the Forestry Authority under section 63ZZM of the Forests Act 1949 on the recommendation of the Minister of Forestry.

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### **Rules**

#### **1 Title**

These rules are the Forests (Code of Ethics for Registered Forestry Advisers) Rules 2022.

#### **2 Commencement**

These rules come into force on 17 October 2022.

#### **3 Code of ethics for registered forestry advisers**

As a registered forestry adviser, you will:

- (a) Comply with all relevant law, rules, and regulations. Respect the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi/Te Tiriti o Waitangi and any obligations arising from it.
- (b) Provide forestry advice according to accepted ecological, environmental, economic, cultural, and wellbeing principles.
- (c) Treat everyone fairly, with courtesy and politeness. Respect cultural sensitivities and diversity.
- (d) Be open and transparent. Provide information and advice that is plain and intelligible.
- (e) Protect people's health, safety, and/or wellbeing.

- (f) Provide a high standard of service. Maintain confidentiality, exercise diligence, objectivity, and care.
- (g) Recognise, disclose, and actively manage conflicts of interest with the client.
- (h) Promote trust in the profession. Demonstrate and encourage ethical behaviour and high professional standards.
- (i) Keep informed of changes affecting the profession and broader developments, and keep knowledge, skills, and techniques up to date.
- (j) Act only within your areas of expertise and competency.

Dated at Wellington this 15th day of September 2022.

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### **Explanatory note**

*This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

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