
Stocking Standards – Specified Areas (amendment May 29, 2014)

Specified areas include areas subject to commercial thinning, the removal of individual trees, areas subject to single/group tree selection or other types of intermediate cutting, and areas subject to the harvest of special forest products.

Application of these stocking standards applies to single layer stands. Retained trees should have suitable silvical characteristics as well as sufficient live crown (typically >30%) to respond to increased light availability and be of suitable form to increase in volume and value over time. These stocking standards are not intended to act as a guide for commercial or pre-commercial thinning prescriptions. They provide minimum stocking standards that ensure adequate site occupancy and stocking such that a free growing stand is maintained and subsequent regeneration is not required.

For salvage of timber resulting from windthrow, root rot mortality, or other similar events, openings of up to 0.1 ha in size are acceptable and do not require a site plan or associated requirements for regeneration and establishment of a free growing stand. No long-term impact on timber yield is expected as the subject areas are likely to regenerate naturally or will be planted concurrent with harvest in adjacent areas.



Table B: Stocking Information for Specified Areas

Target from Table A standards	Layer	Stocking**		
		Target pa	MIN pa	MIN p
(stems/ha)		(well-spaced/ha)		
1200	Single	400	200	200
900	Single	400	200	200
800	Single	300	150	150

** pa - preferred and acceptable species p - preferred species

"Target from Table A standards' are as specified in Table A by biogeoclimatic ecosystem classification (BEC) site series.

This is considered a minor amendment consistent with FRPA S 20.1 and replaces the last page in APPENDIX 1: Stocking Standards

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