

Environmental Conditions relevant to your licence (if granted)

Where we grant a Felling licence, we may attach Environmental conditions to the approval. The Environmental conditions will relate to the need to avoid or mitigate impacts on the environment, biodiversity or species when undertaking operational activities related to a Felling Licence Approval.

We will check your application against known environmental constraints or sensitives, we may need to visit the site to discuss how those environmental constraints or sensitives can be managed as part of an Operational Site. We will consult with you if the addition of relevant Tier Two or Bespoke Conditions is required. We will also take into consideration any proposed mitigations you may put in place on the site during Forestry Operations. We may refuse a licence application if the licence request indicates a significant impact on the environment, we will consider and discuss with you all mitigations you propose to put in place when the site is operational before we make a final decision on your application.

Baseline Conditions

Note: We will add the finalised Baseline conditions to the website here.

These Conditions will be added as standard to all Felling Licences approved by NRW from 1st January 2024. As part of your application process you will need to review the Baseline Conditions and then if you are in agreement sign the relevant declaration on the application form. If you wish to discuss the Baseline Conditions with us prior to submitting your application, please use the pre-application advice service.

Tier Two Conditions

Note: We will add the finalised Tier Two conditions to the website here.

These Conditions will be added to a Felling Licence when the relevant sensitives have been recorded on or near your site.

Bespoke Conditions

These Conditions will be identified on a site-by-site basis

Examples of when we may need to consider the addition of a Bespoke Condition:

- Where there are several or more complex sensitives on site and we need to understand how these can be protected whilst also considering how your proposed felling operation may be undertaken.
- Where the proposed felling site is within or will impact on:
 - Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)
 - Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)
 - Special Protection Areas (SPAs)
 - Ramsar sites

Where a Baseline or Tier Two condition is already in place we may not need to consider a Bespoke Condition for these sites.