

## Draft Tier Two Environmental Conditions

### Water Vole: The Licence Holder must:

- not operate or move heavy plant machinery (including harvesters/forwarders etc) within 5m of the top of the bank and 10m between March to October
- not stack timber within 10m of the top of the bank
- Not damage vegetation within 5m of the top of the bank anywhere within area of works
- not create a new watercourse crossing within 10m of water vole burrows, as determined by a survey carried out by a suitably qualified and experienced individual
- if you are going to create a new watercourse crossing you will need to have a survey carried out by a suitably qualified and experienced individual to ensure that you are not within 10m of water vole burrow

### Red Squirrels: The Licence Holder must:

- ensure that felling of trees with active dreys does not take place in the period 1st February to 30th September
- ensure that the direction of felling operations allows movement of red squirrels into retained woodland habitat
- maintain connectivity through the retained tree canopy to enable squirrel movement through the woodland landscape

### Scheduled Ancient Monuments

The licence holder must not damage scheduled ancient monuments on site. Any objects found that come within the scope of the law for archaeological finds must be reported to the relevant authority, CADW.

### Ancient Woodlands

For all Ancient woodland sites recorded on the Ancient Woodland Inventory the licence holder must:

- not use chemicals – with no broadcast spraying of herbicide. Exception: only stem injection or spot spraying on invasive non-native species
- not undertake any burning on site unless a written application is made to NRW

The licence holder must identify, protect and maintain remnant features (Remnant features to include veteran trees/coppice stools/hedge banks and Ancient Woodland flora).

The licence holder must take all reasonable steps and opportunities to minimise the number of new extraction/access routes to minimise ground damage.

The Licence holder must only undertake felling operations within Ancient Woodland Sites between 1st September and 1st March unless NRW Forestry Permitting Team agree that site specific conditions or constraints require felling operations to take place outside this period and provide the Licence holder with written consent to undertake felling operations outside of that period.