

Collection of native seeds and fruits

Permit holder responsibilities

The permit holder must make sure that collection activities do not have a negative impact on the surrounding habitat. Such impacts may be minimised or avoided by:

- collecting from roadside vegetation where possible
- keeping vehicles on the designated path
- not exceeding the recommended collection limits as identified on the permit
- being aware and taking precautions against Phytophthora and other plant pathogens
- taking care not to disturb any nesting sites or hollows.

Complying with permit conditions

You must comply with all permit conditions. Failure to do so may result in the permit being revoked and the permit holder receiving a warning, expiation notice or higher penalty.

You must have your permit in your possession when undertaking collection activities and, upon request, be prepared to present the permit to a warden for inspection.

You are responsible for all collection activities carried out under the permit. Only people listed on a permit may collect under that permit.

Submitting annual returns

Within 14 days of a permit expiring (or being revoked), you must submit an annual return report to DENR.

Failure to do so will result in the permit not being re-issued, and may incur an expiation notice.

The annual return must contain all of the following information:

- all species harvested
- amount of each type of material harvested from each species
- number of plants harvested
- date of each harvest period
- location of each harvest (map or GPS coordinates)
- name of the collector(s).

If native plant material was collected for revegetation purposes, the collector must, in their annual report, also submit all of the following information:

- where and how the seed is being stored and the quantity (if it is being stored)
- where the collected seed and fruit was planted (map or GPS coordinates).

Individual Trees For Life (TFL) permit-holders are not required to submit an annual return to DENR. TFL submit a report detailing all the native seed and fruit that has been collected by all staff and volunteers over the previous twelve months.

