ORGANIZATION OF FOREST PROTECTION & FELLED TIMBER TRAFFIC AT STATE ENTERPRISE “SRBIJAŠUME” BELGRADE

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Forests of Republic Serbia  
(acc. to 2009 National Forest Inventory)

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<th>Forests</th>
<th>Area 1,000 ha</th>
<th>Volume 1,000 m³</th>
<th>Increment 1,000 m³</th>
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<td>State</td>
<td>1,194</td>
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<td>Private</td>
<td>1,058</td>
<td>141,069</td>
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<td>2,252</td>
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SE “Srbijašume”
- established under the Forest Law (1991);
- entrusted with protecting, enhancing, utilizing and managing forests, wooded lands, hunting grounds, protected areas and other forest potentials.

Forest Surface Area
- state-owned: 894,766 ha
  – privately-owned: 1,224,176 ha.
Activities of general interest are: preservation, protection and improvement of forest conditions, utilization of all forest potentials and forest functions, and establishment of new forests with the aim of achieving optimal forest cover, spatial distribution and structure of forests/growing stock in the Republic of Serbia.

Forest Users & Forest Owners

Forest users = legal entities that manage state-owned forests (SE "Srbijašume", PE "Vojvodinašume" PE National Park "Fruška Gora", PE NP "Kopaonik", PE NP "Tara", PE NP "Đerdap");

Forest owners = natural persons and legal persons (companies, cooperatives, the church, religious communities, associations) that are in possession of forest property.
Forest Protection (acc.to the Forest Law)

- Protection of forests against their unlawful appropriation and utilization, destruction and other illegal operations (disposal of waste and hazardous substances, pollution, destruction of border signs and labels, etc.) is provided by the forest user/owner.

- The Forest Guarding Service is organized by the Forest User/Owner.

- Forest guarding activities are carried out by forest guards who have the status of official persons - they wear prescribed official uniforms and can be armed with official weapons.

- The Forest Guard holds an official ID card.

- Powers and duties of forest guards are defined by the Law.
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GENERAL DIRECTORATE (LEVEL I)
Sector for Forestry & Environmental Protection

FOREST ESTATES (LEVEL II) – 17
Department for Forest Management Planning
Senior Officer for Silviculture & Forest Protection

FOREST ADMINISTRATIONS (LEVEL III) – 67
District ("Revir") Forestry Engineers
Forest Guards
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Powers and Duties of Forest Guards (acc. to the Forest Law)

The Forest Guard is empowered and obliged to:

- establish the identity of the person caught in the middle of committing a wrongful act or a criminal offence related to forests the person reasonably suspected of having committed such an act;

- carry out inspection of all timber transport vehicles and all kinds of cargo carrying timber, with the intent of finding the object(s) in relation to which the criminal act/offence has been committed the documentation accompanying timber sale traffic (GR/issue slip and bill of lading);

- conduct search of any location where the timber, i.e. the object of the criminal act/offence, may be found;

- make the records of the unlawful act(s) and established facts, and submit them to the forest user/owner.
Felled Timber Traffic (acc. to the Forest Law)
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• It is forbidden to put the felled timber into circulation prior to its marking with a hatchet and issuing adequate documentation (GR/issue slip & bill of lading).

• The felled timber is marked and the above documentation is issued by the forest user/owner.

• The legal entity entrusted with professional counseling about private forests is responsible for: the marking of felled timber from forests owned by natural persons issuing the necessary goods receipt (GR)/issue slip.

• The Minister shall prescribe the shape and content of the forest mark, the forms of the accompanying documentation, the conditions and way of marking felled timber and the method of keeping records.
Production of Wood Assortments

Year 2015

• Production of SE “Srbijašume”: 1,536,099 gross m³ / 1,346,288 net m³, thereof: technical roundwood - 461,334 m³; cordwood - 884,953 m³.

• In the forests of private owners - natural persons: marked - 535,913 m³ of felled timber; branded/stamped - 368,741 m³.

• Export 9.581 m³.

• The control of felled timber traffic is carried out by the Forestry Inspection Service.
Survey of Illegal Logging Activities 2011 - 2015

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