

THE FORESTS (ELGEYO) RULES

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L.N.236/1964

1. These Rules may be cited as the Forests (Elgeyo) Rules, and shall apply to the Central Forests described in the Second Schedule to Proclamation No.102 of the 12th December, 1941, and in the Schedule to Proclamation No.26 of the 6th November, 1954, and which lie within the former Elgeyo District, such Central Forests being hereinafter referred to as the Central Forests.

2. Any member of the Elgeyo tribe living within the former Elgeyo District may within the Central Forests, if he has obtained the permission of a headman, without any charge, cut, and remove any tree, other than a tree of any species mentioned in the Second Schedule, for his own personal and domestic use but not sale or barter;

Provided that no trees shall be felled under this rule unless and until that tree has been marked for felling by a forest officer or any person authorized by that officer.

3. Any member of the Elgeyo tribe living within the former Elgeyo District may without charge or permit in the Central Forests –

- (a) cut, fell and remove any mentioned in the First Schedule;
- (b) take or collect dead wood for firewood;
- (c) take or collect the bark of dead trees for thatching beehives;
- (d) collect or take wild berries and fruit for his own consumption;
- (e) place honey boxes and have free access to them provided no damage is done to any trees.

(f) take stock through the Central Forests by the existing routes as specified by an administrative officer or a forest officer;

(g) graze cattle other than goats on the open grasslands, not including the interior forest glades, and have access by routes specified by an administrative officer or a forest officer to such salt licks or watering places in or around the Central Forests as are specified by any such officer.

4. (1) The grazing of cattle and sheep in the interior forest glades in the Central Forests shall be restricted to the recognized users of these glades.

(2) The District Commissioner shall keep a register of such recognized users, and after consultation with the chief Conservator shall fix a limit to the number and description of the stock to be allowed in each glade.

(3) No name shall be added to or deleted from the register without consultation with the Chief Conservator.

5. No grass shall be burnt within Central Forests except under the supervision of a forest guard.

6. The provisions of these Rules shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of any other rules applicable to the Central Forests:

Provided that, were the provisions of these Rules conflict with such other rules as aforesaid, the provisions of these Rules shall prevail.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(r.3)

<i>Elgeyo name</i>	<i>Botanical name</i>
Kureswa	Euphorbia
Kibakwa	Neoboutonia macrocalyx
Cheluka	Cussonia spicate

SECOND SCHEDULE

r.2)

Elgeyo name

Tarakwa

Benet

Tenduet (chepkunyak)

Murgywa(Masat)

Serti (Sosaite)

Botanical name

Juniperus procera

Podcarpus gracilior

Pygeum africanum

Olea hochstetteri

Podocarpus milanjanus