

## VicForests' Road Classification Scheme

Classification of road sections will be determined by VicForests in accordance with the road classification definitions and every 12 months will be reviewed by VicForests in their sole discretion following consultation with industry representatives and Contractors. In the event of a dispute arising between the Parties in respect of a determination by VicForests, the dispute resolution procedure set out in **clause** Error! Reference source not found. shall apply. Short term deterioration in road condition will occur without change to road classification, but significant deterioration, or for a significant period of time may warrant an adjustment to road classification.

Roads class will be determined according to the following definitions.

<b>Class "A" Road</b>
Any section of a road with a surface of bitumen, concrete, metal, gravel or material similar to gravel on which there is sufficient width of formation for two vehicles to pass without difficulty, and on which speed is not unduly reduced by grades, curves or conditions of surface or urban and residential areas.
<b>Class "B" Road</b>
(i) Any section of road with a surface of bitumen, concrete, metal, gravel, sand or material on which there is sufficient width of formation for two vehicles to pass only with difficulty or speed (compared with "A" Class roads) is reduced by grades, curves or urban and residential areas and to which none of the conditions applicable to "C" Class roads apply. (ii) Any section of an earth road on which there is sufficient width of formation for two vehicles to pass without difficulty and on which speed is not unduly reduced by grades, curves or condition of surface.
<b>Class "C" Road</b>
(i) Any section of road where there is insufficient width of formation for two vehicles to pass or speed (as compared to Class "A" road) is considerably reduced by grade, curves or conditions of surface, e.g. corrugations and rutting. (ii) Any section of road where the road surface is likely to cause excessive tyre wear.
<b>Class "D" Road</b>
(i) Unformed bush track or roughly formed bulldozer trail. (ii) Any section of an earth road on which there is insufficient width for two vehicles to pass and speed is severely restricted by grades, curves or condition of surface.

Interpretations:

**Section** means any continuous length of road of reasonably uniform classification.

**Pass without difficulty** means pass without undue reduction of speed by either vehicle at all places on the road, except at occasional narrow places such as bridges or culverts or removable obstructions.

**Speed** means the legal maximum speed at which a loaded vehicle may traverse any section of a road on which grades, curves or conditions of surface may affect the classification.

**Pass only with difficulty** means normally one or both vehicles must either considerably reduce speed or stop in order to pass.

**Earth road** means a constructed formation upon which no surfacing material has been laid or spread and which contains inadequate natural surfacing material.

**Vehicle** means a loaded or unloaded log truck.

The differential between A Class roads and B, C and D Class roads is as follows:

Road class	A Class Equivalent Distance
B class	125% x B class distance
C class	200% x C class distance
D class	450% x D class distance

**Example:**

A road route has: 21km of A class; 8.0km B class; 34.7km C class; and 0.6km D class. The A class equivalent distance is calculated as follows:

Road class	Actual Distance (km)	A Class Equivalent Distance Calculation	A Class Equivalent Distance
A class	21.5	100% x A class distance	21.5
B class	8	125% x B class distance:	10
C class	34.7	200% x C class distance	69.4
D class	0.6	450% x D class distance	2.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	64.8	=21.5+(1.25 x 8)+(2 x 34.7)+(4.5 x 0.6)	<b>103.6</b>

The A class equivalent distance is 103.6km.