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PREFACE

NLGA STANDARD GRADING RULES FOR CANADIAN LUMBER

INTERPRETATIONS

The limiting provisions of the NLGA Grading Rules are quite specific in delineating the characteristics permitted. Because lumber is manufactured from trees which have developed naturally and responsively to their environment and every piece is different it is not possible to anticipate in a grade description all of the possible combinations or types of characteristics which a grader will encounter. The following interpretations were developed to provide additional information to the grader/inspector in the application of the rules.

The NLGA Interpretations incorporate the National Grading Rule (NGR) for Softwood Dimension Lumber Interpretations in their entirety. For other than the NGR portions of the NLGA Rules, NLGA has prepared Interpretations for those portions.



PART 1: National Grading Rule (NGR) for Softwood Dimension Lumber Interpretations. Approved November 4, 2004 by the National Grading Rule Committee.

PART 2: National Lumber Grades Authority (NLGA) Interpretations for portions other than the NGR. Approved September 22, 2006 by the National Lumber Grades Authority.

PART 3: European Union Export Visual Grade Requirements Annex

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