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**Forest Service Handbook 2409.12b – Timber and Forest Products Trespass/Theft Procedures  
Handbook  
Transmittal**

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**Responsible Staff:**

**Last Change:** None

**Superseded Document(s):**

**Digest:** Following is an explanation of the changes throughout the directive by section.

**2409.12b:** Establishes new handbook “FSH 2409.12b, Timber and Forest Products Trespass/Theft Procedures Handbook.”

**Zero Code:** Establishes handbook and sets forth direction on procedures for preventing and investigating trespass and theft of forest products. In addition to consolidating information scattered throughout several different manuals and handbooks, it clarifies existing direction and provides new direction for the prevention of or the investigation of trespass and/or theft of forest products.

**10:** Establishes chapter 10 and sets forth direction on procedures to address the prevention, discovery, legal concerns, and reporting for timber and forest products trespass and theft.

**20:** Establishes chapter 20 and sets forth direction on procedures to conduct timber measurements for timber and forest products trespass and theft.

**30:** Establishes chapter 30 and sets forth direction on procedures for valuation and appraisal method(s) for timber and forest products trespass and theft.

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**40:** Establishes chapter 40 to set forth procedures for the sale and disposal of seized material from timber and forest products trespass and theft.