

FOREST HISTORY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO (FHSO)

POLICY DOCUMENT

TITLE: COPYRIGHT

NOTE: Information related to copyright definitions and coverages is from two key internet sites:

World Intellectual Property Organization

<https://www.wipo.int/portal/en/>

Canadian Intellectual Property Office

<https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/home>

Definition of Copyright

Copyright is the legal authority that assigns ownership to works created by one or more persons. Copyright gives the owner the legal authority to direct the distribution, economic benefit and moral outcome of the use of a created work. Copyright is originally owned by the creator(s) of the work in question, but may be assigned to other people or entities.

Creations covered by copyright include (this list is not exhaustive or exclusive but provides common examples):

- Written works (published and unpublished written work)
- Visual works (art, sculpture, photographs, technical drawings, maps)
- Audio works (music, podcasts, broadcasts)
- Dramatic works (plays)
- Computer programs and databases

Copyright in Canada is managed by the federal Copyright Act.

Copyright and the Forest History Society of Ontario

The Forest History Society of Ontario (FHSO) has developed this policy regarding copyright to ensure that intellectual property the Society uses or manages adheres to Canadian law.

The Society is primarily concerned with intellectual property related to its journal *Forestry*, in which original or reprinted materials, including written work, photographs and artwork, appear. This policy also applies to audio or other materials the Society may create.

In the past decade there has been a move to make copy-rightable material more available for free use, without the constraints of use-inhibiting copyright agreements.

To that end, the Creative Commons organization has developed several standard copyright agreements for creators and users to use to manage copyright. The different agreements can be found on their website:


<https://creativecommons.org/about/ccllicenses/>

The FHSO, through this policy, implements the CC-BY (CC-BY means Creative Commons By Attribution) copyright agreement:



- [CC BY](#): This license allows re-users to distribute, remix, adapt, and build upon the material in any medium or format, so long as attribution is given to the creator. The license allows for commercial use.

- CC BY includes the following elements:

BY  – Credit must be given to the creator

The FHSO publishes original and reprinted articles in its journal *Forestry*. The purpose of this policy is to provide authors/creators and the Society with clear guidelines on the use of material published in *Forestry*, and also how it manages copyright on material published on its Website and Facebook pages and its Twitter account (and any other methods of presenting or managing information in the future).

Under the FHSO copyright policy the creator of the original material published or used by the FHSO remains with the creator. While the creator retains ownership of the copyrighted material, further use after publication in *Forestry* or elsewhere through the FHSO, requires attribution by the copyright owner of the original place of publication (*Forestry*).

The FHSO owns copyright to audio materials it collects (e.g., through interviews).

It is the responsibility of the creator of the work to be published by the FHSO to ensure that materials included in the published work adhere to the copyright laws of Canada (e.g., use of photographs included in published articles must adhere to this policy).

The FHSO is to ensure that all reprinted material the Society publishes is done so with appropriate copyright permissions.

This policy is posted on the FHSO website.

This policy is to be made known to creators as follows:

- Materials published in *Forestry* – By the Editor of *Forestry* when corresponding with authors; and via appropriate information included in the directive for authors note posted on the FHSO website
- Materials published on the FHSO Website, Facebook page or Twitter (or other media programs) – By the Webpage/Facebook/Twitter Manager

The policy will be made known to creators by ensuring that the Editor and Manager, as stated above, make creators aware of the policy by sending creators a link to the policy on our Website.

This policy will be updated as appropriate.

This policy was created by Sherry Hambly, FHSO Website, Facebook and Twitter Manager

This policy was approved the FHSO Board of Directors on February 18, 2021.