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A reminder that if you are a Professional Operator moving large oak trees (girth at 1.2m above the root collar of 8cm or more) in the Southeast Oak Processionary Moth management zone, there are policy requirements in place for you to report large oak movements if you are in the ~~Established~~ **Buffer Zone**. You must keep accurate records of the details of those receiving large oak trees, including the delivery address and contact details, and store this information for a minimum of three years to ensure traceability of movements. The information can be recorded using the [Post planting Inspections form](#) which can also be found alongside more information on the biosecurity requirements on the [Restrictions on trade and movement of oak trees](#) section of the OPM GOV UK webpage.

If you are in the OPM management buffer zone and have been moving large oak trees, you should send your large oak movement records from May 2025 onwards to the APHA Plant Health Service at treehealthtracing@apha.gov.uk by the end of April 2026. Speak to your Plant Health Inspector if you need more information on what to send in.

Where is the OPM management zone?

The current Great Britain OPM management zones and 10km exclusion zone can be viewed on this [map](#). To see what zone the large oak trees you want to move are in, and what zone they would be moved to, you can use the [Forestry Commission interactive map](#) or download the full [list of postcodes in the OPM management zones](#) (buffer zone, established area and 10km exclusion zone). You can also see a [list of local authorities and wards](#) that fall into the buffer zone and established area.

Get in touch

Always check your plants for symptoms. If you suspect disease, or have any queries, please speak to your local plant inspector or contact PHSI HQ (planthealth.info@apha.gov.uk or 0300 100 0313).

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