

Paracou Forest Research Station French Guiana

Safety rules

The **exact dates of fieldwork**, and the need for accommodation (hammock) must be confirmed to Laetitia PROUX (laetitia.proux@cirad.fr, phone: +594 5 94 32 92 73) prior to arrival. She will explain the safety rules.

We ask all users to respect the following rules. The Cirad should not be held liable for any accident resulting from the non-respect of these rules.

1. All users must sign liability release and must understand the security rules.
2. User who do not have a key to enter the station can get one from, Laetitia PROUX and must return it at the end of the mission.
3. When arriving and leaving Paracou, all users must fill in the visitor book (*located in the main carbet, called "kitchen carbet"*) providing the following information: *names of ALL users, visited plots, hours of arrival and departure and specify any specific problems.*
4. If the user is the last one to leave the station, they must close and lock the last gate (nearest to the road) on week days and both gates on Fridays and weekends.
5. Visitors must be in a group of at least 3 people when in the field. If fieldwork has to be conducted by only two people, it is their responsibility to get a mean of communication (satellite phone) for the duration of their work on site. Any activity on site by a group of two people is not permitted without it.
6. Carrying/using a firearm on site is strictly forbidden.
7. The users will have access to a first aid kit in the main carbet, and a usable phone for emergencies.
Thank you for warning Laetitia PROUX if you have used any consumable item from the first aid kit so she can restock.
8. Of utmost importance: if you have already suffered from allergic reactions of any sort, you must inform Laetitia PROUX upon arrival.
9. NB: safety on site is under the responsibility of **Jacques Beauchêne**, but concerns everyone. Cirad efforts to insure safety on site are efficient only if everyone takes responsibility and follow safety rules. Any comments/suggestions aiming to improve safety will be considered by the Cirad.