**Management strategies**

Do not burn excess areas of Heather. The soil and blanket bog underneath the soil is a carbon store (double the amount of trees). If large areas of heather are burnt, carbon will be released into the atmosphere and contribute to climate change.

Do not supplementary feed in native woodland except during

periods of extreme weather, where access to forage is severely restricted and the welfare of livestock might otherwise be compromised. Extreme weather is defined as more than two consecutive days of snow cover or continuous hard frost, prolonged drought or prolonged heavy rainfall.

Avoid overgrazing. Maintain a minimum stocking rate of 0.05 livestock units (LUs) per hectare for a period of 4 months between 1 June and 30 September. Grazing livestock can include cattle, sheep and ponies but all stock must be acclimatised to the conditions of the moor. Sheep must consist of hardy native breeds and/or their crosses.

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