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**Master  
Logger  
Program**

**A Professional Training Program  
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## A Professional Training Program for Timber Harvesters in Tennessee

The Tennessee Master Logger Course (TML) includes five days of training, 8 hours per day. Loggers receive a Master Logger certificate, card, cap, manual and other materials during the class and upon graduation. Loggers voluntarily attend, and a list of graduates is kept for referrals to landowners and industry.

The Tennessee Master Logger is sponsored by the Tennessee Forestry Association, University of Tennessee Extension Service, Tennessee Division of Forestry and the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. The program has received high praise from members of the Tennessee General Assembly and has been recognized by the Forest Resource Association, Inc. as one of the top three logger training programs nationwide. In Tennessee, the Tennessee Conservation League awarded the Tennessee Master Logger committee the Forest Conservationist of the Year Award for achievement in training timber harvesters in the need for conserving our natural resources and managing our forests in a sustainable manner.

### MASTER LOGGER 5 DAY COURSE A SYNOPSIS OF THE CURRICULUM:

**Safety Day:** A representative of Tennessee OSHA speaks on regulations required by OSHA. Also preventive techniques are covered. A representative from the TN Dept. of Safety speaks on truck safety and laws regulating truck use and weight. Following lunch, a chainsaw safety expert speaks on safety methods in the use of chainsaws.

**Best Management Practices:** TN Division of Forestry Water Quality Forester speaks on the use of Best Management Practices and the need to prevent soil erosion. Slides are shown on what works and what causes problems to occur. Each logger receives a BMP manual and the instructor reviews the information from the manual. Following lunch, a field trip is taken to look at implementation of Best Management Practices.

**CPR & First Aid:** Certified instructors teach loggers CPR and First Aid as required by OSHA. Each logger receives a certification card and Red Cross manual.

**Silviculture:** Different methods of timber harvesting are discussed by a professor from the University of Tennessee. When and where to use clearcutting, selective cutting, thinning and other methods of cutting are included in the day's discussion. Working with landowners is discussed and a field trip is held following lunch to define silvicultural methods in the forest.

**Business Management:** The last day of the class includes discussion periods by an attorney, financial adviser, accountant and insurance representative. Business practices for loggers are covered and discussion is generated

on legal aspects of logging. If possible, computer programs for loggers are discussed. A TFA representative will provide update on local, state and federal issues affecting timber harvesting.

The Tennessee Master Logger course is a comprehensive logger training program.

### MASTER LOGGER CONTINUING EDUCATION

After a Master Logger graduates from the 5 day course every 2 years there after he or she must receive 8 hours of Continuing Education in order to keep the Tennessee Master Logger status.

#### Managing Visual Impacts of Forestry Operations

Instructor: University of Tennessee Professors

Discussion: Methods of timber harvesting that will enable the logger and landowner to keep visual quality of the logging site intact to the general public.

#### Timber Assessment:

Instructor: University of Tennessee Professors

Discussion: Determining the amount of timber and log grades on a tract of timber

#### Environmental Issues

Instructor: TN Division of Forestry Water Quality Forester

Other Speakers: TN Wildlife Resources Representative & TN Dept. of Environment & Conservation representative

Discussion: Teaching loggers to harvest with environmental quality in mind. Discussion of environmental laws and impact on forestry operations