



WV CERTIFIED LOGGER PROGRAM

WV DIVISION OF FORESTRY LSCA PROGRAM
IN COOPERATION WITH GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE



DESCRIPTION

Loggers in West Virginia must be certified according to state law. Certified loggers are responsible for safely and responsibly harvesting timber without causing damage to water supplies or forest vitality, in a safe manner. Logger training and workshops for topics such as Chainsaw Trainings and BMP Trainings are available through the West Virginia Division of Forestry. The West Virginia Division of Forestry offers (in cooperation with Glenville State College) the following trainings to help with the requirements of becoming a Certified logger in the state.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this certification program is to inform students of the laws and regulations governing the state of WV while protecting our clean, flowing streams in a manner that keeps individuals safe in an ever-evolving industry. After graduation from the Forest technology program, students would have taken the needed steps to apply to be a certified logger in the state. This is very helpful for students looking for work as a company, state or private forester, harvesting of timber for a company or their own private business.

SKILLS

WVDOF provides lecture and labs in this course at Glenville State College including OSHA regulations, timber felling skills, chainsaw operations, BMP's and their environmental impacts and law enforcement

WVDOF CHAINSAW SAFETY AND TIMBER FELLING TRAINING • PROVIDED BY WVDOF • EVERY FALL SEMESTER AT GSC

West Virginia's forest industry is supported by the individual professionals that make a timber harvest possible. As part of the WVDOF LSCA licensing program, all new loggers in the state are required to participate in a chainsaw safety workshop to establish safe practices that comply with OSHA regulations. This course allows loggers and students to have hands on examples of these requirements to meet part of the certified logger process.

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMP) TRAINING • PROVIDED BY WVDOF • EVERY SPRING AT GSC

Clean water, soil conservation, established vegetation, and aquatic life. These are just some of the subjects in the BMP class offered by the state of WV for loggers. Along with lessons on the understanding of laws and regulations for harvesting operations, this course covers one of the needed requirements of all certified loggers in West Virginia.

FIRST AID AND CPR CERTIFICATION: REQUIRED AT GSC

As part of safety requirements all loggers in the state must be certified in the state for first aid and CPR. This course is offered at Glenville State College and is mandatory for forest technology majors as part of the course requirements.



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