



# SUPERVISOR, FOREST PRODUCTS PROCESSING

*beater room supervisor pulp and paper, core room supervisor pulp and paper, paper mill supervisor, pulp mill supervisor, sawmill supervisor, shift operating supervisor pulp and paper, supervisor, forest products processing*

Forest products processing supervisors lead teams who operate pulp and paper mills, paper- converting mills, sawmills, planing mills, and plywood, waferboard, and other wood and paper products mills. One of their biggest responsibilities is to make sure that people are doing their jobs properly as they execute the hi-tech processing tasks in mills.

To become a supervisor in a mill, you will need technical training covering some or all of the complex processes in the mill. Learning on the job and building your seniority in the mill is essential as well. As you gain experience, you may also act as a mentor and trainer to other staff. Your career track could see you move into senior managerial, design, advanced control, training or sales positions.

## KEY RESPONSIBILITIES



Supervisors in mills perform a wide range of technical functions.

On any given day, you might:

- Supervise and schedule workers
- Ensure systems and equipment are operating efficiently
- Ensure maintenance and repairs are performed
- Resolve work problems and recommend measures to improve productivity and product quality
- Train staff in job duties, safety procedures and company policies
- Participate in hiring and terminating employees
- Monitor safety
- Set up machines and equipment

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING



Getting a high school diploma or an equivalent qualification is usually required. A college diploma in pulp and paper technology or a related discipline, like process control technology, may be required for some pulp and paper supervisor positions. Earning certificates, like lumber grading, industrial first aid and competency in natural gas, can enhance your prospects for promotion.

Here is a complete list of Canadian Universities and Colleges:  
[thegreenestworkforce.ca/education](http://thegreenestworkforce.ca/education)

### Notice

The requirements listed are generally required qualifications for this Career Type. The qualifications may vary based on the employer and/or the geographic location of that job.

## THIS JOB IS RIGHT FOR YOU IF:



- You want to live an oversized life in one of Canada's beautiful forest communities
- A sense of community is important to you
- You like variety and learning new things
- You want to make a difference working in a green job
- You are confident
- You see yourself as a leader
- You are a team player who gets along with other trades
- You want to work in work boots, not dress shoes

## DARE TO COMPARE

See how much time and money you would save by moving to a forest community.

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**If you want good pay, opportunities to learn on the job, a great lifestyle and the chance to work in Canada's Greenest Workforce, then the forest products industry is right for you.**