# WOODLANDS

Positions in the Forest Products Industry



# SUPERVISOR, LOGGING AND FORESTRY

forest operations supervisor, forestry crew supervisor, hook tender, logging contractor, logging supervisor, production supervisor - logging, silviculture supervisor

Logging and forestry supervisors lead teams of workers who harvest and plant trees and who perform all the supporting tasks associated with these operations. Physical fitness is a must for these supervisors, because they travel to job sites over uneven terrain in remote locations.

To become a supervisor, you will need technical training covering all of the activities your crew executes. This means everything from understanding the capabilities of heavy machinery to safety procedures for chain saws. Learning on the job and building your seniority 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, training or sales positions.

# **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**



Supervisors in mills perform a wide range of technical functions.

On any given day at a mill, you might:

- Supervise and co-ordinate workers in woodland operations, often in different locations that are several kilometres apart
- oversee silviculture activities like planting, harvesting and vegetation control
- 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
- Ensure government regulations are met

# **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**



Getting a high school diploma or an equivalent qualification is usually required. Completing a college program for forestry technologists or technicians may be required. Earning certificates, like industrial first aid, can enhance your prospects for promotion.

Here is a complete list of Canadian Universities and Colleges: **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.

the greenest work force. ca/compare

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.





