

# WOODLANDS

Positions in the Forest Products Industry



## FORESTRY TECHNICIAN

*forestry coordinator, fire technician, forestry aid, forestry conservation technician, log grader, log scaler, research assistant - forestry, road management technician, silviculture technician, technician, forest resource management, technologist - forest engineering*

Forestry technicians are skilled people experienced in technical tasks that don't usually require heavy equipment, tools or hard physical labor. Instead, their main work requires applied knowledge and skills in data recording. Working as a forestry technician means you're comfortable using a range of instruments to do things like taking measurements, surveying land, and inspecting and monitoring job sites.

There are many different kinds of forestry technicians. Most of their work happens outdoors. You need to be fit enough to trek across rough, often steep, terrain. A typical day could see you working as part of team to fight forest fires. Or you could be tasked with marking timber to set up environmentally sustainable harvesting operations. Road and trail construction is another key duty.

The job also offers a chance for advancement because you are exposed to so many different aspects of a forest company's operation.

### KEY RESPONSIBILITIES



Forestry professionals perform a wide range of technical functions.

On any given day, you might:

- Inventory a stand of trees
- GIS map a wetland
- Plan a project to thin a tree stand to reduce fire risk
- Cut and control invasive brush
- Mark timber before sale
- Oversee tree-planting team

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING



Forestry technicians often require skills to be tailored on the job. You can increase your job choices if you finish a one- to three-year college program for forestry technologists, renewable resource managers or forest rangers.

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 physically fit
- 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.**

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