



TO: Massachusetts Licensed Foresters

FROM: Priscilla Geigis, Deputy Commissioner, Conservation

**Forester License Renewal** SUBJECT:

## Enclosed is your application for annual license renewal. All correspondence should be directed to:

Colin Mettey MA Forester License Board P.O. Box 1433 – 740 South St. Pittsfield, MA 01202 (413) 728-9136 MAForesterLicensing@mass.gov

## According to 302 CMR 14.04(6), [Forester Licensing Regulations provided separately in this package]

- (a) Not less than 30 days before the expiration of his or her license, a Licensed Forester shall submit a renewal application accompanied by the required fee to the Director of State Parks and Recreation.
- (b) If within sixty (60) days subsequent of the date of license expiration any Licensed Forester fails to renew his or her license, he or she shall not engage in the practice of forestry until a new license is issued. Each Licensed Forester seeking the renewal of his or her license shall comply with the Director's policy on continuing education for Licensed Foresters.
- (c) Any Licensed Forester who fails to renew his or her license or fails to meet the continuing education requirements of the Director of State Parks and Recreation's policy shall be ineligible for application for a new license for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of license expiration as depicted on the license. For any Licensed Forester who is called to, or serves on active duty with any branch of the armed forces for a period greater than 90 consecutive days during a license year, the CFE requirement for that year will be waived upon written request. Upon written request by any Licensed Forester, for good cause shown and documented, other service such as Peace Corps, extended jury duty, incapacitation due to illness or injury, the Director may waive the CFE requirement for that year.



DCR Forester Licensing Policy #2, which sets forth Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) requirements, is attached.

Policy #2 states that: "Each Licensed Forester shall complete an average of at least 20 Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits per year to maintain his or her license. The average shall be calculated for the 3-year period coinciding with the terms of the license." The FLB has interpreted that language to mean the following:

For those of you who have <u>not</u> completed 20 credits in the last year (1 year time period starting with the date of your "Last License Issue Date"), you will be allowed to go back as far as three years prior to your renewal date in your CFE submission in order to meet the 20 credit / yr. average. CFE's previously submitted may be resubmitted now in the three-year average calculation.

For those of you who have completed 20 credits within the last year (1 year time period starting with the date of your "Last License Issue Date") you need to only submit those 20 credits.

<u>All applications must have supporting documentation for CFE credits (i.e. course</u> certificates, copies of articles written, certificates of membership on town boards, etc.)

Please use the enclosed forms to apply for license renewal. Submit with the \$50.00 renewal fee as soon as possible to:

Colin Mettey
MA Forester License Board
P.O. Box 1433 – 740 South St.
Pittsfield, MA 01202

Make checks payable to the "Commonwealth of Massachusetts"

If you have questions contact: Colin Mettey at (413) 728-9136 or MAForesterLicensing@mass.gov

## **Enclosures**

# MASSACHUSETTS FORESTER LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION

	, hereby apply to the Dir	
for a renewal of my Massachusetts I	Forester License. I certify that I prese	ntly hold Massachusetts Forester
License Number Last Li	icense Issue Date:	
SIGNATURE:	DATE:	
	r public distribution of Massachusetts s web site: http://www.mass.gov/dcr/	
Please answer the following question	ons and fill out your contact information	on below:
I would like to be listed in a director	ry of Foresters for public distribution:	Yes No
I would like my directory listing and	d/or mailings to use: Home Address _	Affiliation Address
I am currently an SAF Certified For	rester (CF): Yes No	
	ment Federal Government	
	<b>Home Address</b>	
NAME: ADDRESS: CITY: PHONE: E-MAIL:	ST: FAX:	ZIP:
	Affiliation Address	
AFFILIATION: ADDRESS: CITY: PHONE: E-MAIL:	ST: EXT:	ZIP: FAX:
	olication to Department of Conservensing Board, P.O. Box 1433, Pitts	
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# **Continuing Education Summary**

## Category I

EIGHT HOURS MINIMUM: Organized course work or activities in forestry or forestry related subject matters such as silviculture, mensuration, forest pest management, habitat management, urban forestry, or forest policy. Category I courses include seminars, short courses, and workshops conducted or sponsored by public or private organizations, as well as technical sessions of SAF meetings or conferences. Credit will be approved only for subject matter directly related to forestry or forest resources. Credit accrues at the rate of one hour for each hour of actual participation.

			CONTACT HOURS	
Course, meeting or session	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s) Attended	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>
	Tota	al Category 1 (8 Min)		

#### Category II

TWELVE HOURS MAXIMUM: Other organized course work or activities not specifically in forestry or forest-related areas, but which are professionally enriching or directly beneficial to the individual in his or her present position. Examples include general sessions of SAF or other professional meetings and course work in areas such as real estate, computer science, managerial and leadership skills, public speaking, or vertebrate zoology. Credit accrues at the same rate as for Category I.

			CONTACT HOURS	
Course, meeting or session	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s) Attended	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>
	Tot	tal Category 2 (12 Max)		

## Category III

TWELVE HOURS MAXIMUM: Preparation, and presentation of course work or activities such as described in categories I and II that requires effort beyond the general scope of the individual's normal duties or job description. Credit accrues at the rate of 2 credits for each 1 hour of presentation.

## CONTACT HOURS

Course, meeting or session	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s) Attended	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>
	7	Total Category 3 (12 Mar	x)	

## Category IV

**TEN HOURS MAXIMUM**: Preparation, writing and publication of forestry or forestry-related subject matter that requires effort beyond the general scope of the individual's normal duties or job description. Credit is 15 hours for each article that is technically reviewed and 5 hours for popular articles or series.

			CONTACT HOURS	
Course, meeting or session	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s) Attended	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>
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#### Category V

FOUR HOURS MAXIMUM: Self-improvement in forestry and forestry-related subjects. Included is participation in or attendance at meetings not qualifying for category I or II, such as those conducted by state boards of forestry or forestry licensing committees. Also included is self-improvement through reading appropriate technical publications or viewing audiovisual presentations on technical forestry subjects. Credit accrues at the rate of 1 hour for each hour of an activity.

			CONTACT HOURS	
Course, meeting or session	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s) Attended	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>
	Tot	al Category 5 (4 Max)		

## Category VI

Signature

**TEN HOURS MAXIMUM:** holding elected or appointed office or active committee assignments in the SAF, Massachusetts Association of Professional Foresters, or allied professional organizations such as the Wildlife Society, Society for Range Management, or Association of Consulting Foresters. Credit is 5 hours per year for elected office or chair of committee and 2 hours per year for active committee membership.

			CONTACT HOURS		
Office or Assignment	Sponsoring Organization	Date(s)	Applicant Requests	<b>Board Member Verification</b>	
Total Category 6 (10 Max)					

TOTALS	Beginning Date	Beginning Date						
	Ending Date	Applicant	Applicant	Board Member				
		Accrued	Requests	Verification				
	Category 1 (8 hrs. min.)							
	Category 2 (12 hrs. max.)							
	Category 3 (12 hrs. max.)	Category 3 (12 hrs. max.)						
	Category 4 (10 hrs. max.)							
	Category 5 (4 hrs. max.)	Category 5 (4 hrs. max.)						
	Category 6 (10 hrs. max.)							
	TOTAL							
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Forester License #

Date