



2019 PLC of Maine Membership Application

Your responses to this application will remain confidential. Payment is due with your submission.

Company Information:

Primary Contact _____ Company Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Office Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Fax _____ Email _____

Web Site _____

Additional e-mails for weekly newsletter: _____

- Logging Contractor** - responsible for stump to roadside –eligible for Board Membership, voting member, dividend eligible.* Membership dues for 2019 are based on 2018 production (tons delivered 1/1/18 – 12/31/18) Please check the box that applies to your company.

- \$250 (25,000 tons and under) - **\$200 if Master Logger Certified**
 \$500 (25,001 tons to 50,000 tons) - **\$400 if Master Logger Certified**
 \$750 (50,001 to 100,000 tons) - **\$650 if Master Logger Certified**
 \$1000 (100,001+ tons) - **\$900 if Master Logger Certified**

- Affiliated Contractor:** includes sole proprietor w/ pre-determination letter (must be Master Logger certified), owner-operator/sub-contractor, chipping contractor, grinding contractor, slashing contractor or chip mill – voting member, dividend eligible*, not eligible for Board membership. Membership dues for 2019 are based on 2018 production (tons delivered 1/1/18 – 12/31/18) Please check the box that applies to your company.

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- Forest Contractor – Trucking Only or Forest Road Construction:** 50% or more of business is from forestry operations – voting member, dividend eligible*, not eligible for Board membership. Membership dues for 2019 are based on 2018 data (number of employees 1/1/18 – 12/31/18) Please check the box that applies to your company.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 0-2 employees - \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3-5 employees - \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 employees - \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> 11+ employees - \$750 |

The undersigned, on behalf of the above-named company (applicant), hereby applies for membership in the PLC of Maine. As a condition of membership, I agree that:

- The burden of proof for eligibility rests with the applicant and **all** questions must be completed.

1. Is your company responsible for the execution of all phases of your harvesting operation from stump to roadside? Yes _____ No _____
2. Do you have a Federal Tax ID #? Yes _____ No _____
3. Do you have an Unemployment Insurance Account Number? Yes _____ No _____
4. Do you have a current Workers' Compensation Policy? Yes _____ No* _____

***PLC policy is that Members must have a current workers comp. insurance policy. However, affiliated sole proprietor applicants may also qualify for membership if they do not have a current policy by attaching a current "predetermination of independent contractor status" letter from the State of Maine Workers Compensation Board. Sole proprietors must also be Master Logger certified.**

- a. Agency- (i.e. Chalmers, Champoux, Cross, F.A Peabody, Kyes, Readfield Insurance, United - etc.) _____
 - b. Underwriter-(i.e. MEMIC, Acadia-etc.) _____
 - c. Experience Mod. # _____
5. Do you have a current General Liability Insurance Policy? Yes _____ No _____
 - a. Agency- (i.e. Chalmers, Champoux, Cross, F.A Peabody, Kyes, Readfield Insurance, United - etc.) _____
 - b. Underwriter-(i.e. Acadia, Acuity -etc.) _____
 6. Current number of employees _____
 7. Do you participate in a third party certification and/or training program (please check all that apply):
 - _____ Northeast Master Logger Program
 - _____ Certified Logging Professional Program
 - _____ Qualified Logging Professional Program
 - _____ Other
 - _____ None

8. Do you have a written safety program on file? Yes _____ No _____

(PLC members must have a written safety program on file as a condition of membership. The PLC will provide sample safety plans to assist with this process.)

9. Do you have ongoing workplace safety inspections? Yes _____ No _____

10. Have you violated the standards of the Forest Practices Act, the Liquidation Harvesting Rule or had civil violations (i.e. timber theft or trespass) within the past five years? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please explain.

11. During the past 12 months, have there been any significant changes in your company?

Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please explain. _____

**Would your company like to participate in the 2019 PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Group?
(*participation in the Dividend Group is subject to underwriting approval by Acadia Insurance)**

Yes _____ (if your answer is **yes**, please proceed to question **12**.)

No _____ (if your answer is **no**, please proceed to question **13**.)

12. Acadia Confidentiality Waiver- As a condition of participation in the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Group, Acadia Insurance requires the PLC to obtain a signed confidentiality waiver from each participating company.

On behalf of _____ (“Company”), as a member of the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Program, I hereby authorize Acadia Insurance and/or its appointed agents to release information relating to my insurance policies with Acadia Insurance, including but not limited to premiums and loss history, to the Executive Director of the PLC. The Executive Director of the PLC will keep this information confidential and will not share company specific information with the Executive Board, Full Board, or individual members of the PLC. I acknowledge and agree that the fore- going authorization will remain valid as long as the Company remains a member of the PLC and the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend program, unless expressly revoked in writing to Acadia Insurance and the PLC. The undersigned certifies that he/she is duly authorized to sign this authorization on behalf of the Company.

By (Signature): _____

Printed name: _____

All PLC/Acadia dividend program members and their employees are strongly encouraged to attend PLC Safety Trainings annually.

- 13. Loggers Code of Practice:** It is understood that all members of the PLC will adhere to its “**Logger’s Code of Practice**”. As a professional logging contractor, I will strive to operate in such a way as to engender the public’s trust including meeting or exceeding the standards and principles as follows:
- Promote ethical conduct for all loggers.
 - Strive to always meet standards for harvesting practices, which are consistent with the principles of sustainable forestry.
 - To operate responsibly in all phases of the harvesting operation, from the actual harvesting activities to clean-up requirements following the harvest.
 - Recognizing private landowner rights, I will strive to meet the landowners objectives as long as they are consistent with sustainable forestry principles, federal, state and local laws.
 - I will do all I can to educate and inform landowners, loggers and others about the need to meet sustainable forestry principles.
 - I will participate in the Northeast Master Logger, Certified Logging Professional, Qualified Logging Professional or other third party recognized program that will provide me with recognition as having met the appropriate requirements for logger education and training as envisioned by sustainable forestry principles.
 - Comply with all federal, state and local laws and regulations, industry standards and guidelines applicable to the conduct of forest harvest operations.

- Conduct harvest operations in a safe manner which are in compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations including safety planning and all provisions of such requirements.
- To operate my company profitably as a responsible member of the business community including compliance with all requirements and practices as they relate to my employees, vendors and others I do business with.
- Continually strive to maintain positive relationships with landowners, procurement and mill personnel and the public in general.
- Do my part to assure that my industry has a positive image and to work with peer groups, logger associations and others to strive to bring all loggers up to these standards.
- Strive to continually improve my operations through training, innovation, employee programs and other appropriate means.
- Act responsibly to uphold the integrity of the logging profession.

Must be signed by all PLC of Maine members – Thank you!

Company: _____ Date _____

By (Signature): _____ Title: _____

Printed Name: _____

2019 Dues - \$ _____ We understand PLC’s honor system is based on the membership level as set forth by the PLC Board of Directors on page 1 of the application and that any member found not paying fairly for 2019 will be assessed back dues and a penalty of \$500.

Log A Load Donation - Please accept my additional donation of \$ _____ on behalf of the Log A Load for Maine kids program. *Contributions will be distributed equally between Eastern Maine Healthcare and the Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital.*

Total Amount Enclosed - \$ _____



Please send completed form & payment to:
 Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
 P.O. Box 1036 , Augusta, ME 04332
 fax: 207-620-7517 or email to:
jessica@maineloggers.com

_____ To pay by credit card please check here and we will e-mail you a secure link

_____ Please check here for an invoice

To fill out an application on-line - please go to:
www.maineloggers.com/contractormemberapplication/

All new applicants are subject to a background check with the Maine Forest Service and Board approval. Your payment will not be deposited until you have been approved