

Hempfield Township

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LOGGING/HARVESTING PERMIT APPLICATION

Per Section 87-162 of the Code of the Township of Hempfield

Note: Application shall be accompanied by the site plan, timber harvest plan, erosion and sedimentation control plan, performance bond in the full amount, fee, insurance certificates, and if applicable, proof of a written timber sales contract between the property owner and logging company.

For Township Use Only:

Date: _____ This Application is hereby () approved or () denied as noted: _____

_____ Code Enforcement Officer: _____

Logging Permit #: _____ Tax Map No.: _____

Fee: \$300 Date Paid: _____ () Cash () Ck# _____

Receipt of the following items at the time of application.

- Narrative Site Plan;
- Site Plan;
- Timber Harvest Plan;
- Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan;
- Performance bond in the full amount;
- Fee; (\$300.00, plus the amount of any costs to the Township under the Ordinance, including, but not limited to any fees related to the appointment and services of the Township Engineer and Solicitor for the Township of Hempfield.)
- Insurance certificates; (Liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$500,000.00 and Workers' Compensation insurance as required by state law.)
- If applicable, proof of a written Timber Sales Contract between the property owner and logging company;

Date: _____ Time: _____

Logger Name: _____

Logger Business Name: _____

Logger Home Address: _____

Logger Business Address: _____

Please visit our website at www.hempfieldtwp.com (Go to Code Enforcement, then View Hempfield Codes Over the Internet) to review the Harvesting and Logging Ordinance, Section 87-73 of the Code of the Township of Hempfield.

Logger Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Property Owner Name: _____

Property Owner Address: _____

Property Owner Phone: _____

Tax Map No. of Property: _____

Date Logging to Start: _____ Date Logging to End: _____

Describe logging operations (i.e. number of men working, number of skidders in use, number of log trucks that will visit the site each day, number of accessory vehicles to be used, hours of operations, and any other material information).

List roads being traveled within Hempfield Township by log trucks and distances on each road:

(Note: Township must be notified in writing 48 hours in advance, during normal working hours, as to when logging will begin so that the first truck can be followed to determine if roadway is being damaged. Such notice may not be given on a weekend or official Township holiday and must be hand delivered to the Township's offices.)

Performance bond amount for Township Roads being traversed: _____

Performance bond amount for restoration of said property or any other property damaged by the logging operation: _____

Township/State Road Bond Permit No.: _____

(Attach Road Bond Application Permit)

(Note: Bond shall be posted prior to hauling on any Township road. The Township engineer shall prepare a report prior to hauling to determine existing road condition and to establish reasonable times and conditions for hauling logs so that damage to the road will be minimized.)

Attach a narrative site plan containing the following:

- Purpose of the proposed operation;
- Total land area involved in the proposed timber harvesting operation;
- Total number of trees selected for harvesting;
- Reforestation narrative outlining the revegetation of the landing areas and steep slope portions of skid roads;
- Chart indicating the quantity of trees, the ranges (dbh) and species of the trees selected for harvesting;
- Stormwater control measures to be used, which shall include the best management practices for stormwater control;
- Stream crossings, wetland protection measures to be used, and reference to an approved D.E.P. 105 Encroachment Permit;
- Statement confirming that each tree to be removed has been designated by the consulting professional forester with paint or other distinctive means at two points so as to be readily visible by the logger. One point shall be low enough on the trees so as to be visible on the stump after the tree is removed;
- Evidence of an approved Westmoreland County Conservation District erosion and sedimentation control plan;
- Evidence of a timber harvest plan
- In the event timbering or harvesting is incidental to a land development, the logging operation shall comply with any requirements established for the assurance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for said land development;
- Accompanied with appropriate Township fee (\$300);
- Accompanied with performance bond;
- Accompanied with insurance certificates;
- If applicable, proof of a written timber sales contract between the property owner and the logging company;

Site plan shall indicate the following:

- Location map;
- North arrow;
- Contours as shown on a USGS topographical map;
- Location of any pre-existing roads/rights-of-way, easements, streams and property lines. It shall also include the location of proposed roads or access/egress cartways;
- Total acreage;
- Areas of trees to be harvested must be depicted;
- Cutting block subdivision of the site plan;
- Shall be drawn on a scale not to exceed 1" equals 100' and shall indicate the following: Name and address of the landowner and the adjacent property owners;
- U.S.D.A. Soils Survey information, i.e. slope stability, erodability, etc.;

Timber harvest plan, prepared by a professional forester hired by the owner or logger, shall indicate the following:

- Point of access onto public roadway(s) where aggregate entrance is to be placed. Log landing areas, stream crossing and logging trails;
- Areas of trees to be harvested must be designated by the Cutting Block phase numbers. The phase number shall depict the order of harvesting;
- Type and rate of seeding/mulching to be used and where it will be placed to stabilize the soil after logging operations.

Erosion and sedimentation control shall be provided and include the following:

- Westmoreland Conservation District's review comments;

Have all required Federal and State Permits been granted to log on this property?

- Yes. If yes, attach copies of permits;
- No. If no, attach exemption information;

If logging operations will use a driveway access on to a Pennsylvania Department of Transportation maintained road, have bonds and permits been secured?

- Yes. If yes, attach copies of permits and bonds;
- No. If no, attach exemption information;

Is a Township driveway access permit required? () Yes () No

Length of pipe: _____ Permit fee: _____ Requested installation date: _____

Will the driveway access be removed at the end of the logging operation? () Yes () No

In consideration of the permit fee tendered, I (We) will abide by all provisions of Section 87-73 of the Code of the Township of Hempfield. I (we) will return the ditches, road right-of-way, and driveway access area to pristine condition. I (we) understand that the road bond and/or performance bond will not be returned and may be forfeited if damages occur that are not repaired. Prior to release of any bonds an inspection will be made by a Township Official. Logger shall be required to call Township and request inspection.

Property Owner/Logger

Signature: _____

Note: If logger signing application, proof shall be provided of permission from the property owner.

Signature of Authorized Individual of Logging Business (if different than above):

Date: _____ Time: _____

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VERIFICATION :

MARKING DATE ____/____/____ PAINT COLOR : __ ORANGE __ PINK

CUTTING DATE ____/____/____ _____

NO. OF TREES MARKED _____ DIAMETER RANGE _____ IN.

THIS PERMIT IS TO BE POSTED ON SITE TO BE VISIBLE FROM THE STREET, AND IS TO BE REMOVED AFTER FINAL INSPECTION IS COMPLETED.

ALL PERMITS EXPIRE 18 MONTHS FROM DATE OF ISSUE.

(Note: An extension can be granted one (1) time for a six (6) month period, when requested in a statement from the professional forester hired by the property owner or logging operator.)

() Approved () Denied Code Officer: _____ Date: _____