

why you should join SOUTH CAROLINA TREE FARM

The South Carolina Tree Farm Program supports sustainable management of family owned forest lands for wood, water, wildlife, and recreation.

TREE FARMER MEMBERSHIP. Membership is open to anyone interested in promoting good forestry, with or without property eligible for certification.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION. Minimum of ten acres forestland with a written Tree Farm/Stewardship management plan and Tree Farm Inspection.

www.MyLandPlan.com is available on the web to help you manage your property.

WHAT YOU'LL RECEIVE

- Quarterly **Woodland Magazine**
- Semi-Annual **South Carolina Tree Farm News**
- Invitations to SC Tree Farmer of the Year Annual Tour & Forestry Education opportunities
- Emails on forestry educational meetings and advocacy issues

For more information, contact Walt McPhail, National Tree Farmer of the Year 2012 and SC Tree Farm Membership Chair, 864/288-7618 or treevet@sc@aol.com



SC Tree Farm is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. All donations other than dues are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

BENEFITS OF BEING A TREE FARMER

- **MEMBERSHIP:** Provides you with membership in a national organization that is a leader in representing private landowners, keeps you abreast of new developments and political trends, gives you a voice in decisions affecting land management, and provides you with an opportunity to shape the future.
- **NETWORKING:** Making connections with other landowners, sharing ideas, learning from each other, connecting with professional foresters, avoiding problems others have had, becoming part of a community that works together for better land management.
- **RECOGNITION:** The green and white diamond shaped Tree Farm sign recognizes Tree Farmers for meeting the standards of the Tree Farm System with a written, approved management plan. We're proud to be Tree Farmers.
- **CERTIFICATION:** Tree Farm Certification that meets international, third party standards of sustainable forest management may provide greater access to markets with more bids on your timber, potentially higher timber prices and preference when mills are on quota.
- **EDUCATION:** Landowner education programs, tours, and field trips are provided for forest landowners. Tree Farm foresters provide on the ground assistance during initial and reinspections.
- **ADVOCACY:** Tree Farm advocacy protects your property rights and the right to grow timber in South Carolina. Federal advocacy by National Tree Farm staff and local SC grassroots efforts have been instrumental in keeping the current capital gains tax and raising the estate tax exemption levels to help keep your farm in the family.

The National Tree Farm staff works on issues related to Tree Farming, soil and water conservation, and much more.

SC Tree Farm works closely with the Forestry Association of SC on state and local issues to ensure we will continue to have healthy, working forests for future generations.

If you're not a landowner or interested in certification you can still receive benefits of membership via the Friends And Supporters category for \$60/year.



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New TREE FARM DUES	
Acres	Dues Amount
10-100	\$60
101-200	\$70
201-400	\$80
401-600	\$100
601-800	\$120
801-1000	\$140
1001-1200	\$160
1201-1400	\$180
1401-1600	\$200
1601-2000	\$220
2001-3000	\$260
3001 +	\$350

APPLICATION

Name _____ Contact Person _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
 County that Tree Farm is located in _____
 (Print) Email Address _____

Membership Categories:
 Individual Family Unit - Husband/Wife/Children Business or Organization
I would like to join the South Carolina Tree Farm Grassroots Advocacy Group on forestry issues Yes No

Do you have a Tree Farm management plan? Yes No Date plan was prepared and/or updated _____
 Number of forested acres _____
 Do you have a Tree Farm number? Yes No If yes, please provide your Tree Farm number _____
 Do you have a forester you consult? Yes No
 Forester's Name and Company _____

Payment Total amount submitted _____
 Check (payable to SC Tree Farm Program)
 Credit Card: Visa MasterCard Other _____
 Card # _____ Exp. _____ Security Code _____
 Name (as it appears on card) _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Send completed form and payment to:
South Carolina Tree Farm,
ATTN: Guy Sabin/State Administrator
4901 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29212

Ask your fellow woodland owners to join! Additional forms are available from treefarm@scoforestry.org or call Guy Sabin at 803/798-4170.