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**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.

**WHAT YOU’LL RECEIVE**
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- 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

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**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.

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**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.

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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.

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

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@scforestry.org or call Guy Sabin at 803/798-4170.

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