

APPLICATION

JOIN THE **SOUTH CAROLINA TREE FARM PROGRAM**

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 |

☐ Individual/Family ☐ Business or Organization

Name _____ Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

County that Tree Farm is located _____ Number of acres _____

Do you have a professional forester you consult? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Forester's Name and Company _____

Do you have a forest management plan? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the property been enrolled in Tree Farm before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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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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. Landowner will be considered Pioneer Tree Farm until fully certified.

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

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
- Your Inspector will provide a Tree Farm sign when fully certified.



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.