



Town of South Berwick

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SOUTH BERWICK PLANNING BOARD **TIMBER HARVESTING APPLICATION**

Please note that incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Step 1. Fill in all answers below.

Address (location) of the property _____

Tax Map & Lot # _____ Lot size _____ Zoning district _____

I owner _____ Allow _____ as my agent to apply for permit.

Applicant's name _____ Phone # _____

Email address _____

Applicant's mailing address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Owner's name _____ Phone # _____

Owner's mailing address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name & address of Forester plus License _____

Is the property located in a flood zone? ____Yes ____No

Is the property located in the Shoreland Overlay District? ____Yes ____No

Is the property located in the Resource Protection Overlay District? ____Yes ____No

Is the property located in the Minor Freshwater Wetlands Overlay District? ____Yes ____No

Is the property located in the Rural Overlay District? ____Yes ____No

Step 2. Establish your legal interest in the property.

Attach a copy of the purchase and sales agreement, deed, tax records, signed lease or other documents to the satisfaction of the code enforcement officer. If you are representing a corporation, provide documentation that you have authority to speak on their behalf.

Step 3. Job size and scheduling.

Total volume of estimated harvest: _____ Board Feet _____ Cords

Total area to be harvested: _____ Acres. If clear cut, what is the proposed use? _____

When will roads (truck and skid) and landings be built throughout the harvest area?

Start Date _____ Completion Date _____

Step 4. Attach Ten (10) copies of a site plan at a scale not to exceed 1"=50' including all of the following information:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Name of the project | <input type="checkbox"/> Abutting land uses and the location and use of abutting structures and drives |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Locus map showing site's location, major developments in the area and/or natural resource features, aerials, and USGS | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning districts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> North arrow | <input type="checkbox"/> Location of all erosion and sediment control measures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Name & address of owner of record and/or developer | <input type="checkbox"/> Location of all buffers and setbacks in the Shoreland/Slope Protection and Resource Protection Districts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Names and addresses of all owners of record of abutting parcels | <input type="checkbox"/> Area of yarding and loading. Area of harvest and types being harvested. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> All existing lot lines and property line setbacks | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Any existing or proposed rights of way or easements | |

Step 5. Please be aware that timber harvesting operations shall meet the following standards per Sec. 140-62 of the South Berwick Zoning Ordinance. Please initial each box to knowledge you've read and understand these requirements.

- No permit is required for the cutting and removal of up to ten (10) cords or 5,000 board feet of wood for personal use in any calendar year.
- No slash or other debris shall remain on the ground within the right-of-way or within a distance of fifty (50) feet from the nearest edge of the right-of-way of any public road for more than fifteen (15) days after accumulation.
- No slash or other debris shall remain on the ground within a distance of twenty-five (25) feet from the boundary of land of another for more than fifteen (15) days after accumulation.
- No timber-harvesting operations or stockpiling will take place in the town right-of-way.
- Within the public right-of-way of any new or proposed entrance onto a public way a culvert approved by the Public Works Director will be required to ensure that the natural flow of drainage water will not be interrupted and to protect the shoulder of the public road. **Must have written approval.**
- Where yarding and loading operations are conducted within fifty (50) feet of the right-of-way, all debris remaining after such operations shall be removed and the ground restored to its original contour.
- Any timber harvesting operation which will create less than fifty (50) square feet of residual basal area per acre is prohibited, unless a statement from a licensed professional forester is provided demonstrating that such a harvest is appropriate.
- Within fifty (50) feet of any public road, timber harvesting shall be limited to selective cutting, which provides that cutting will be limited to fifty per cent (50%) of the basal area which existed prior to the start of the operation.
- The timber harvester shall conduct the operations in such a way to minimize soil erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. Operations shall conform to guidelines outlined in the book,

Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook for Maine Timber Harvesting Operations, Best Management Practices, June 1991, prepared by the Maine Forest Service.

- Timber harvesting shall conform to all applicable state laws and regulations unless local ordinances are more restrictive.

***Note: If any waivers to the above provisions are requested, a written rationale for each request must accompany the Application.**

Step 6 Sign the Application (both owner and Applicant must sign and date the Application) and submit fee of \$100.00). Additional fees will be assessed for public hearing advertisement and notification of abutters.

- The undersigned hereby applies for Timber Harvesting (Minor Site Plan Review) in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Section 140-62 of the South Berwick Zoning Ordinance, and in conformity with the criteria and standards of Section 140-77.E of said ordinance.
- Applications for Timber Harvesting (Minor Site Review) **that indicate in step 1 that the property is located in the Shoreland, Resource Protection, or Minor Freshwater Wetlands Overlay Districts**, must include the information referred to in Section 140-77.D (1) and 140-77.E unless exceptions have been requested and accepted by the Board

To the best of my knowledge, all information submitted on this application is true and correct. All proposed uses will be in conformance with the application and the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of South Berwick.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

Owner's Signature (if different than above):

LIST OF ABUTTERS
(Within 250 feet of property line)

NAME

ADDRESSES

Please use additional sheets if necessary.