



APPLICATION FOR TREE EXPERT LICENSE

Maryland DNR Forest Service

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The fee to obtain this license is **\$30.00**. (license is good for one calendar year, 12/1-1/31, and must be renewed annually). The fee for exam retakes (one domain) is **\$20.00**.

Please make your check or money order payable to: **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**
Incomplete or unsigned applications will not be processed and will be returned to the applicant for resubmission.

Return to:

Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Forest Service E-1
580 Taylor Avenue
Annapolis, MD 21401
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Title 5 of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides the basis for licensing of tree experts as shown below:

5-418. SAME - ISSUANCE: QUALIFICATIONS: INSURANCE.

- (a) The Department may examine an applicant for license as a tree expert and pass upon his competence. It shall issue a "tree expert" license to any applicant, who:
 - (1) Pays the fee provided in § 5-419;
 - (2) Has attained his 18th birthday;
 - (3) (i) Has had 2 years of approved college education in forestry, arboriculture, horticulture, applied agricultural sciences, or the equivalent education; with a minimum of 1 year’s experience with a licensed tree expert in Maryland;
 - (ii) has, within the immediately preceding 3 years: 1) achieved active master logging status from the UMD Extension’s MD-DE Master Logger Program; and 2) held a MD Forest Product Operator’s license; or
 - (4) for at least 3 years immediately preceding the date of his application been engaged continuously in practice as a tree expert with a licensed tree expert in Maryland or with an acceptable tree expert company in another state; and
 - (5) Has passed the examination given by the department.
- (b) Every licensee shall carry and show proof of liability and property damage insurance, in the form and amount required by the Department at the time it issued the license. The licensee shall maintain the insurance protection for the period the license is in effect. (An. Code 1957, art. 66C, sec. 403; 1973, 1st Sp. Sess., ch. 4, sec. 1.)

Your license will be printed exactly as shown below. **Please Type or Print Clearly.**

I. Applicant’s Name:

First

Middle

Last

EIN or Federal Tax ID Number (Sole Proprietors may use SSN):

Company’s Name:

Company’s Address:

Telephone Number:

Web Address:

Email Address:

The county from which your business operates:

II. Age

I am at least 18 years of age.

III. Education and experience

- I am applying under the two years' education / one year experience option.
- Please include a completed Certification of Qualification (Experience).
 - Please include a copy of degree, transcript, or other documentation of education.
- I am applying under the three years apprenticeship option.
- Please include a completed Certification of Qualification (Experience).

IV. Reciprocity

I am the lawful holder of a tree expert license under the laws of another state. License Number:
Issued by (name of agency): . Please attach copy of license.

List below the full legal names of all those who you employ, who will be working under your license, who you supervise, and thus for whom you take professional responsibility. Note: the license holder must immediately notify DNR in writing whenever a name(s) is added or deleted. Names of those working under your license:

INSURANCE:

Every tree expert must have, maintain, and show proof of liability and property damage insurance as required by Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources Article § 5-418(b). It is the responsibility of the licensee to keep insurance coverage current and to provide DNR with current insurance information at all times while the license is active (including but not limited to when coverage is renewed and/or when insurance provider is changed).

Prior to issuance of a Tree Expert license, a copy of your current certificate of insurance must be submitted to the Department. If you do not intend to acquire insurance until after you pass the exam, please note that your license will not be issued until we receive the certificate.

The Department of Natural Resources must be listed as a Certificate Holder on the insurance policy.

Insurance Company Name:

Insurance Company Telephone No.:

Expiration Date:

WORKERS' COMPENSATION - In order to comply with the State of Maryland's Workers' Compensation Act (Annotated Code of Maryland, Labor and Employment Article § 9-105 and Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources Article § 1-402):

- I certify that I am a sole proprietor and do not have any employees for which Workers' Compensation insurance is required by law.
- I am providing a Certificate of Insurance for Workers' Compensation or a copy of the insurance binder number below.

POLICY/BINDER NO.:

ISSUED BY:

In compliance with Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources Article §§ 5-415–5-423, and COMAR 08.07.07, I agree to comply with the terms of licensure as described and am hereby making application for a Tree Expert License. I further declare and affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing information I have supplied in this Application for Tree Expert License is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Applicant's Signature

Date