

**BY CAREFULLY CHOOSING
YOUR FORESTER TODAY,
YOU AND YOUR FOREST
LAND WILL BENEFIT
FOR YEARS TO COME.**

TIPS FOR SELECTING A CONSULTING FORESTER

**VERMONT WOODLANDS
CERTIFIED
CONSULTING
FORESTERS**



Consulting foresters assist private landowners in identifying and achieving goals for their woodlands, including managing for forest products, wildlife habitat, recreation, water resources, and aesthetics. Services provided by consulting foresters include forest resource planning, marking trees to be removed, preparing and negotiating contracts, administering sales of forest products, appraisals and inventories, and assisting in tax treatment of woodlands. Some consulting foresters specialize in particular areas, such as Christmas tree production or sugarbush management.

What sets Vermont Woodlands certified consulting foresters apart from other foresters practicing in Vermont?

Vermont Woodlands certified consulting foresters:

- have college degrees in Forestry or related natural resource fields;
- have at least 5 years consulting forestry experience;
- complete active continuing education programs in the field of forestry.

Vermont Woodlands certified consulting foresters demonstrate professionalism and leadership by:

- participating in other forestry and natural resource organizations;
- speaking publicly or writing articles on natural resource issues;
- attending courses in business development.

Relationships with foresters are often long lasting, so be sure you are comfortable with the forester's professional approach.



Talk with a few foresters about their services, experience, and credentials. Inquire about their fee schedule. If possible, talk with other landowners for whom foresters have worked or look at examples of their work.



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