



IDENTIFYING & PRODUCING QUALITY HARDWOOD

FROM: THE MARITIME COLLEGE OF FOREST TECHNOLOGY
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The Maritime College of Forest Technology's Department of Continuing Education is pleased to offer **Identifying & Producing Quality Hardwood**. This five-day workshop will be held October 18 – 22, 2010.

Identifying & Producing Quality Hardwood is a condensed and challenging version of two very popular courses – Hardwood Log Quality and Advanced Hardwood Management. This is an interactive field-oriented workshop that combines theory and application. Please see the attached announcement for course and application details.

Neil Lamson returns to instruct **Identifying & Producing Quality Hardwood**. Neil combines the rare qualities of vast knowledge and well honed teaching skills. Past course participants have rated Neil's hardwood workshops as the best courses they have attended.

Due to the large field component of this workshop, enrolment will be limited to 12 participants. Please apply early to ensure a place on the course. If you have any questions about this or other Continuing Education courses, please contact us at 506 458 0643 or tcameron@mcf.ca

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- Location:** Room 230, Maritime College of Forest Technology, Fredericton, NB.
- Duration & Dates:** A five-day course October 18 to 22nd, 2010. **The course will begin at 8:30 AM each day.**
- Objectives:** **Identifying & Producing Quality Hardwood** will provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to grow and recognize high quality hardwood for veneer or saw logs.
- The identification portion will allow participants to determine the effects of exterior defects on interior quality, how to harvest large hardwood safely while protecting the residual stand, how to assess standing timber for quality, and how to buck logs for maximum value.
- The prescription sessions will involve the participants in gathering the necessary data to design, plan and layout the appropriate prescriptions – from group selection to crop tree release.
- Candidates:** **Identifying & Producing Quality Hardwood** is recommended only to people who have completed our introductory modules or have demonstrated knowledge and experience in hardwood management. Many concepts needed for this advanced module have been covered in the introductory ones, and the pace of the course is too fast to allow review or reintroduction of those concepts. Enrollment will be limited to twelve candidates.
- Format:** The course is conducted in an informal manner conducive to questions and discussion. Morning classroom sessions are reinforced with field trips to local forest sites. Each day will deal with a different subject:
- Day one – Log Quality
 - grades
 - defects
 - bucking
 - sawing
 - Day two – B-Line thinning
 - Day three – Individual tree selection
 - Day four – Crop tree release
 - Day five – Group selection

Format cont'd: These sessions are composed of a good deal of small group exercises such as stand marking. By providing an opportunity to do actual prescription lay out and receive feedback, participants will develop the skills and confidence to apply hardwood silvicultural systems as soon as they return to their jobs.

Instructor: Neil Lamson will serve as course co-ordinator for Hardwood Management. Neil retired as silviculturist with the US Forest Service in Durham, NH. He received his BS (1968) and MS (1972) forestry degrees from the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse. He spent 15 years as a research forester with the US Forest Service in Parsons, WV where he investigated hardwood silviculture. Much of his research was on uneven-aged management and crop tree management. He has authored or co-authored over 50 publications. Since 1989, Neil has been conducting silviculture technology transfer primarily in New England and New York State with the State and Private branch of the US Forest Service in Durham.

He conducts training sessions on a wide array of topics including group selection, individual tree selection, even-aged management, crop tree management, management plan preparation, visual aids and various computer programs.

Accommodations: Accommodations are available in Torunski Hall of the Maritime College of Forest Technology. Room rates are as follows:

Single Occupancy - \$35.00/person/night + HST
Double Occupancy - \$25.00/person/night + HST

Commercial rooms and/or board are also available at nearby commercial establishments.

Meals: Meals are available at the Complex Cafeteria on a pay-as-you-go basis or meal tickets may be purchased at registration.

Charges: The tuition is \$1100.00 + HST.

The final date for applications for Identifying and Producing Quality Hardwood is October 8th, 2010.

***IDENTIFYING & PRODUCING QUALITY HARDWOOD
is equal to 28 Continuing Forestry Credits.***

