



VERMONT LOGGER SAFETY AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE PROGRAM

A new program has been launched to modernize safety on logging operations, reduce workers' compensation insurance costs and create a level playing field for employers in Vermont's forest economy.

- **New occupation class codes for “Safety Certified” Logging Contractors with a 15% workers' comp insurance premium discount for qualifying employers¹**
 - **Safety Certified Mechanized Logger (2722)**
 - **Safety Certified Non-Mechanized Logger (2721)**
- **Modernized safety training for loggers to reduce injuries and claims**
- **New leadership and communications training for supervisors**
- **New “loss prevention service” coming for employers that will provide safety consultations during onsite visits to logging operations**
- **New guidance and checklists to clarify who is properly insured, or exempt, from workers' compensation insurance during logging operations**
- **New resources for loggers, foresters and forestland owners at:**
<https://fpr.vermont.gov/vermont-logger-safety-and-workers-compensation-insurance-program>
- **Watch an informational webinar on the program - <https://youtu.be/ZaeUMKCG21k>**

Have questions? Contact Sam Lincoln at 802-622-4005 or sam.lincoln@vermont.gov

Encourage the logging contractors that you work with to sign up today to get “safety certified” and reduce costs!

¹Employers must be certified by the Logger Education to Advance Professionalism (and meet the curriculum standards, updated in 2019) <https://www.vtleap.com/>, or, be certified by the Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands as a Master Logger - <http://masterloggercertification.com/>. Contact your insurance agent to learn how getting safety certified will affect your insurance premiums.