



# South Carolina

## Board of Registration for Foresters

2021 NEWSLETTER

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#### Board Office Hours

The Board is open Mon. – Fri.,  
8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., except on the  
following State holidays:  
-May 31, 2021 - for Memorial Day  
-July 5, 2021 - Independence Day  
-September 6, 2021 - Labor Day  
-November 11, 2021 - Veteran's Day  
-November 25-26, 2021 - Thanksgiving  
-December 24-28, 2021 - Christmas

### Meeting Dates

The SC Board of Registration for Foresters will meet on the following dates:

- August 12, 2021
- October 21, 2021

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## License Renewals Due by June 30, 2021!

In March, licensees were emailed/mailed renewal reminder notices. These notices contained your User ID and instructions on how to reset your password if you have forgotten it. Please note that in order to reset your password, you must have an active email address on file with LLR. The Board encourages licensees to utilize the online payment system. You must have a credit card (MasterCard or Visa) or checking account to renew online.

Paper renewal forms are also available at <https://www.llr.sc.gov/for/pub.aspx>. You must submit the completed 2021-2023 renewal form with a check or money order or your paperwork will be returned unprocessed.

Please contact the Board at (803) 896-4800 or at [contact.foresters@llr.sc.gov](mailto:contact.foresters@llr.sc.gov) with questions regarding the renewal process.

### Don't Forget About Your Continuing Forestry Education

Each registered forester is required to obtain 20 Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits biennially. A minimum of ten (10) credits must be acquired in Category 1. A maximum of ten credits in categories 1 - 3 may be carried over for one renewal cycle. 20 CFE credits must be obtained during each licensure period (i.e. July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2021).

To help licensees keep track of their CFE credits, the Board has created a CFE Reporting Form. This form will also be used as part of the CFE Audit for the 2019-2021 licensure period. The form is available at:

<https://www.llr.sc.gov/for/forms/Foresters%20Updated%20CFE%20Reporting%20Form%20June%202021.pdf> .

New regulations went into effect on May 28, 2021 to include a Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) exemption. If you are 60 years of age or older and have 30 or more years of service, you may qualify. To learn more about this exemption and to submit the waiver, [click here!](#)

Additional information about the CFE requirements can be found on the Board's website at: <https://www.llr.sc.gov/for/ce.aspx>

### 'See What's New'

**New regulations went into effect for the South Carolina Board of Registration for Foresters on May 28, 2021! From Continuing Education Exemptions to new CFE requirements and more. Click [here](#) to see what's new and how they may affect you.**

## Board Releases Licensure Statistics

As of May 1, 2021, there are

# 691

Registered Foresters in South Carolina.

Since July 1, 2020, the Board has issued

# 15

new licenses by examination, reciprocity or reinstatement.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Do you have to be registered to practice forestry in South Carolina?

Yes, with very few exceptions. A landowner can do forestry work on his or her own land or a full time employee can do forestry work on the owner's land, under the owner's direction. Any person can do forestry work under supervision of a registered forester.

### Does South Carolina Grant Reciprocity to Foresters Who Are Registered in Other States?

Yes, licensure by Reciprocity is assessed on an individual basis. Reciprocity is considered for applicants from states with laws commensurate with South Carolina. Foresters who have not taken and passed an equivalent examination for registration may have to take the South Carolina exam. New regulations are in effect to include all reciprocity applicants take Part 2 of the South Carolina Specific Examination.

## We Want to Hear from You!

It is our hope that the information provided in this newsletter was beneficial to you as a Registered Forester in the great state of South Carolina! If you have questions for the Board or suggestions for a future newsletter, please submit information to [contact.foresters@llr.sc.gov](mailto:contact.foresters@llr.sc.gov).



## How to File a Complaint

Licenses perform valuable work for the public as professional foresters in the State of South Carolina. The majority of licensed professionals are competent, skilled practitioners, and you are a witness to their good work. In the course of your work in this state, you may also witness work or processes that don't meet the requirements licenses must uphold, or find work performed by unlicensed individuals.

Licenses play an important role in safeguarding the public, and the Board relies on you to advise us when you encounter unprofessional, unethical, or unlicensed activities. We encourage you to file a complaint with the Board if you witness a possible violation. The Board can accept anonymous complaints and pursue them if the related information or documentation is available.

The public relies on you to file a complaint if you suspect violations of Board's statutes or regulations. It is not taken lightly, and will be investigated in a timely manner.

Complaints can be filed through the online complaint form, via U.S. Mail and fax. Instructions on filing complaints are available at:

<https://eservice.llr.sc.gov/Complaints/>