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Dear Prospective Contestant:

The 87th Mountain State Forest Festival will be held in Elkins, West Virginia, September 27 – October 5, 2025. The Lumberjack Contest will be held at the Citizens Bank of WV Amphitheater on the campus of Davis and Elkins College on Saturday, October 4, 2025. Registration begins at 7:00 AM, events begin at 8:30 AM.

A list of events and prize money is shown in the following table.

Event	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	6th Place
Chain Saw (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
World Champion Two-Person Crosscut (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
World Champion Jack and Jill Using any Saw (each)	\$200.00	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	
Jill and Jill Using any Saw (each)	\$200.00	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	
World Championship Tree felling (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Chopping (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Springboard (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Hard Hits (each)	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Axe Throwing (each)	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$15.00
Grand Champion	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$150.00			

The total amount of prize money is \$8,940.00.

An entry fee of **\$15.00 per person, per event** must be submitted with your entry form. Please make your check or money order payable to **Mountain State Forest Festival**. These entry fees will contribute to the contest prize monies.

*Points for all events weigh the same, but **no points** given for Man-Woman (Jack and Jill) Crosscut or Jill and Jill Crosscut events towards All-round Champion.



You will find enclosed a Lumberjack Contest Entry Form, Lumberjack Contest Rules & Regulations and Mountain State Forest Festival General Rules & Regulations. Be sure to complete each, sign and date where necessary and return with any entry fee to the Mountain State Forest Festival office by September 22, 2025. You will be notified by email of your acceptance on or before September 27, 2025.

Online registration is also available at www.forestfestival.com/registration-forms. A 3% processing fee is charged to all credit card transactions.

We hope you plan to participate in the Mountain State Forest Festival Lumberjack Contest.

Sincerely,

Tony Bates
2025 Assistant Director
chubatc@hotmail.com



**2025 Mountain State Forest Festival
Lumberjack Contest Entry Form
Elkins, WV 26241 – October 4, 2025**

Select "X"	Event	Entry Fee
	Chain Saw (each)	\$15.00
	Two-Person Crosscut (any saw) Partner: Your partner is required to submit an entry form and pay entry fee.	\$15.00
	Jack and Jill Crosscut Partner: Your partner is required to submit an entry form and pay entry fee.	\$15.00
	Jill and Jill Crosscut Partner: Your partner is required to submit an entry form and pay entry fee.	\$15.00
	Tree felling	\$15.00
	Chopping	\$15.00
	Springboard	\$15.00
	Hard Hits	\$15.00
	Axe Throwing	\$15.00

Check-in, wood drawing, and same day registration begins at 7:00 AM on Saturday, October 4, 2025.

Entry fees are nonrefundable. Make checks payable to: Mountain State Forest Festival

Mail entries: Mountain State Forest Festival
P.O. Box 388
Elkins, WV 26241



Questions? Please call the festival office @ 304-636-1824 or email Assistant Director Tony Bates:
chubatc@hotmail.com

Please return Entry Form and fees by Monday, September 22, 2025.

Release: By signing this form, I release the Mountain State Forest Festival from all personal injury or property damage that I may incur because of my participation in the Mountain State Forest Festival Lumberjack Contest.

You will be notified of your acceptance as a participant in the Mountain State Forest Festival Lumberjack Contest by email on or before September 27, 2025.

***Participant Signature**

***Date**



87th Mountain State Forest Festival**Estimated Schedule of Events
Lumberjack Contest
Saturday, October 4, 2025**

Registration and Drawing for Wood	7:00 AM
Stagehand Briefing	7:45 AM
Competition Begins	8:30 AM
Chain Saw	8:30 AM
Axe Throwing Preliminary *	8:30 – 10:30 AM
Two-Person Crosscut Sawing (Any Saw)	9:00 AM
Jack and Jill Crosscut Sawing	9:30 AM
Jill and Jill Crosscut Sawing	10:00 AM
Axe Throwing Finals	10:30 AM
Tree Felling Contest	11:00 AM
Wood Chopping Contest	11:30 AM
Lumberjack Contest Awards Ceremony	12:00 PM

NOTE: Times for the competition are estimated. Events will progress without interruption and the awards ceremony will occur soon after the final event.

*Contestants may throw axes at the target in tree felling area between 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM, at their convenience. The top six finalists will throw for prizes just prior to the tree felling contest.





**Mountain State Forest Festival
General Rules & Regulations
(* required field)**

- 1) The Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to adjust locations in the event of inclement weather, inclement ground conditions, or as needed.
- 2) All applications for specific events and entry fees must be received by the deadline set for specific event.
- 3) All applications will be reviewed by the designated Mountain State Forest Festival committee. Each exhibitor or vendor will be notified by mail/email/phone/text if the application is accepted by the committee by the deadline advertised for that event.
- 4) All registration fees are non-refundable unless specified in the specific rules for that event.
- 5) A royalty will be charged to any vendor selling wears bearing the Mountain State Forest Festival and/or the official logo of the Mountain State Forest Festival.
- 6) Please note any special needs on your application. We will attempt to meet the special need, if any additional fees are required for your request, we will notify you of the additional fee within two (2) weeks of receiving your application and fee.
- 7) The Mountain State Forest Festival, or any agent acting on its behalf, will not be responsible for damages to exhibitor's/vendor's displays, units, or property.
- 8) The Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to advertise the presence of the exhibitor or vendor. The exhibitor agrees to hold the Mountain State Forest Festival and any agent acting on its behalf harmless from any advertising or other liability.
- 9) Unless otherwise agreed upon all hardware (i.e., electrical cords, tables, tents/canopy, coverings, lighting, etc.) is the responsibility of the Exhibitor/Vendor.
- 10) Alcohol is strictly prohibited at any Mountain State Forest Festival event without prior written permission from the Mountain State Forest Festival Board of Directors.
- 11) No merchandise depicting drugs, alcohol or tobacco may be sold, displayed, or promoted at any Mountain State Forest Festival event without prior written permission.
- 12) No item used to consume drugs may be sold, displayed, or promoted at any Mountain State Forest Festival event.
- 13) The Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to request a vendor to remove any merchandise or display that the event organizers determine is unacceptable or inconsistent with the Forest Festival rules or philosophy.
- 14) The Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to evict any person/organization/business for failure to follow the General Rules or the Specific Rules for each event.
- 15) No political campaigning or lobbying will be permitted during an event.
- 16) The Mountain State Forest Festival will be following all local, state, and federal guidelines related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Submission of your application to be a vendor in the City Park is agreement to follow any safety protocols required by the Mountain State Forest Festival.

By signing below, I indicate I have read the General Rules & Regulations and understand each as they apply and have made a copy for myself/organization/business:

*SIGNATURE _____ *DATE _____