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Dear Prospective Contestant:

The 88th Mountain State Forest Festival will be held in Elkins, West Virginia, September 26 – October 4, 2026. The Lumberjack Contest will be held at the Citizens Bank of WV Amphitheater on the campus of Davis and Elkins College on Saturday, October 3, 2026. 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 Monday, September 21, 2026. You will be notified by email of your acceptance on or before September 28, 2026.

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,

Brian Romero
2026 Assistant Director



**2026 Mountain State Forest Festival
Lumberjack Contest Entry Form
Elkins, WV 20241 – October 3, 2026**

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 3, 2026.

Entry fees are non-refundable. 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 Brian Romero:
brian.romero345@yahoo.com.com

Please return Entry Form and fees by Monday, September 21, 2026.

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 28, 2026.

*Participant Print Name _____

*Participant Signature _____ *Date _____



88th Mountain State Forest Festival**Estimated Schedule of Events
Lumberjack Contest
Saturday, October 3, 2026**

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 prizes just prior to the tree felling contest.

