

Timber Harvest

Permit Application Requirements

In order to apply for a zoning permit to conduct a timber harvest on a property in Dingman Township, the applicant must submit the following to the Zoning Office:

- A completed zoning permit application signed by the property owner or the property owner's agent. Applications may be obtained from the township office or on-line at: http://www.dingmantownship.org/ZoningForms/ZonApp.pdf
- A copy of the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan with proof of approval by DEP or the Pike County Conservation District.
- A copy of the State or Township Highway Occupancy Permit (H.O.P) if the harvest vehicles intend to access onto state or township roads.
- A site plan showing the property and the area to be harvested.
- A statement signed by a Professional Forester* or Forest Technician* that the harvest conforms with *Penn States Best Management Practices for Timber Harvesting*. For a copy go to: http://pubs.cas.psu.edu/FreePubs/pdfs/uh102.pdf

* see next page for definition

- A copy of the USGS topographic map of the site.
- A copy of the recorded property deed. (A copy may be obtained at the Pike County Recorder of Deeds Office).

- A proof of insurance for \$1,000,000.00 in liability coverage.
- A check for \$250.00 made payable to Dingman Township

Other Information

- Harvesting hours are limited to Monday through Friday 8:00am until 5:00pm.
- Trees may not be cut within 25 feet of a property line. (15 feet if the property is less than one acre in size).
- All loading of trucks must take place outside the right-of-way of any public or private road.
- PennDOT or Dingman Township may require the use of flagmen or warning signs to control traffic when trucks are ingressing or egressing the property.
- If portable chemical toilets are to be employed, a permit will be required.
- Any questions or concerns should be directed to the Dingman Township Zoning Office 118 Fisher Lane, Milford, PA 18337 570-296-9260.
- The timber harvesting regulations may be found on-line at: http://www.dingmantownship.org/Ordinances/Zoning4.html (see Section 427).

<u>Definitions as found in the Dingman Township Zoning Ordinance</u>:

Professional Forester: A person certified as a Forester in accordance with the requirements of the Society of American Foresters (SAF).

Forestry Technician: A person with a minimum of a two-year college level degree in the subject of forestry, or arboriculture related to the management of "urban forests", or other similar forest management course of study, and who has a minimum of two years experience actively working in the field of forest management.