

Association of Saskatchewan Forestry Professionals

Sponsor Form

Note: This form is to be used when applying for membership through the membership categories of “Forester-in-Training or Forest Technologist-in-Training”.

The purpose of the sponsorship process is to provide the Registrar and the Admissions Committee with an assessment of whether an applicant has the knowledge, skills and experience required to become a member of the Association of Saskatchewan Forestry Professionals.

The sponsor therefore has a number of responsibilities. These include:

1. Providing advice and guidance to those seeking membership in the Association.
2. Supporting the applicant throughout the entire application and registration process.
3. Ensuring that the applicant is familiar with the Forestry Professional Act of 2005 and its objectives.
4. Ensuring that the applicant understands the association’s mandatory continuing education program.
5. Ensuring that the applicant is familiar with the association’s Code of Ethics
6. Ensuring that the applicant is familiar with the definition of professional misconduct
7. Supporting the category of membership requested by the applicant including any limitations (including geographic limitations) associated with the scope of practice requested by the applicant.
8. Attesting to the applicant being of good character through first-hand knowledge of the abilities of the applicant while performing their duties at a professional level.

Sponsors from Saskatchewan must be members in good standing of the A.S.F.P for a minimum of 2 years. For sponsors qualifying an applicant’s experience from outside the province of Saskatchewan, a Registered Professional Forester or Registered Professional Forest Technologist or a sponsor with equivalent credentials may be used at the discretion of the admissions committee. In exceptional circumstances, such as when an applicant has not been directly associated with the sponsor for a significant period of the qualifying experience, an RPF or RPFT may sponsor an applicant if they can review the work of and interview the applicant, supervisors, and colleagues, to the extent necessary to confidently express judgments as required of sponsors. The admissions committee may request clarification or additional information from the sponsors. Sponsors must be familiar with *The Forest Professions Act* and by-laws governing the association and the most recent A.S.F.P. requirements for membership. Sponsors should discuss their comments with the applicant and provide any further assistance in submitting the required information for membership. Sponsors are to complete the sponsorship form in detail and additional pages may be attached if required. All completed sponsorship forms are kept confidential.

APPLICANT NAME: _____

Sponsor's NAME: _____

Membership #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE No.: _____

I certify that I have read and understand the responsibilities of a sponsor and that the information given in this form and on any attached document(s) is correct, complete and provides full disclosure. Sponsors are reminded that exaggeration or misrepresentation of a candidate's qualifications or experience are considered a breach of the Code of Ethics.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Please mail or email the completed sponsorship form directly to ASFP Registrar

Instructions for Sponsors

In order to determine the acceptability of the applicant, you are asked to complete this form making sure to cover the requirements outlined in points 1-3 (below), sign, date and certify with your seal or stamp. You should be fair and honest in detailing your experience and knowledge of the applicant. Answers should be typewritten.

I have known the applicant for a period of _____ months.

My association/professional relationship with the applicant is/was as:

EMPLOYER____ SUPERVISOR____ CO-WORKER____ OTHER____

1. Applicants must have shown the appropriate application of general forestry capabilities. Please describe the applicant's specific general level forestry experience with which you are familiar.
2. As part of the experience requirement, the applicant must have worked at a professional level. Please cite two (2) examples of the applicant's work that illustrate how the applicant has operated at a professional level.
3. Do you believe that the applicant demonstrates by ethical and professional behaviour and is of good character and can be recommended for active membership in the Association of Saskatchewan Forestry Professionals?

Please certify that you have reviewed and discussed the components of the Code of Ethics, definitions of professional misconduct and the continuing education requirements with the applicant and that the applicant understands them.