



# 2017 AFA Member Benefits

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Here are some of the benefits you can enjoy by joining the Alabama Forestry Association today! We are excited about adding many more benefits to this list!

## Government Affairs

- **Legislative Representation.** Building on a 60-year reputation as the Voice of Forestry in Alabama, AFA continues to be led by a skilled team of lobbyists at the Capitol.
- **Executive Branch Representation.** AFA works directly with the Governor, his Staff and Cabinet members on issues that impact Alabama's forestry community.
- **Relationships with State Agencies.** AFA maintains relationships with all state agencies whose decisions impact Alabama's forestry community.
- **Local Level Representation.** AFA monitors local regulations by working directly with county commissions and other governmental bodies.

## Member Support

- **Networking Opportunities.** Come network with folks from across the Southeast at the AFA Annual Meeting or locally at more than 10 Regional Receptions and District Meetings.
- **Insurance.** AFA offers competitive rates on workers' compensation and general liability insurance through the ForestFund. We also offer lowest rates available on hunt club and landowner liability insurance.
- **Discounts.** Special pricing as an AFA member with [www.forestry-suppliers.com](http://www.forestry-suppliers.com) using Key Code KAL (for 7%).
- **Wood Supply Chain Support.** Through the Alabama Loggers Council, AFA supports programs that can reduce some costs in the wood supply chain such as safety training courses and professional logging manager workshops.
- **Social Media.** Follow us on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter. And coming soon, in Q1 of 2017, SocialLink will launch for you, through your updated, current membership with AFA. Get to know other AFA members while using this tool as a networking or business opportunity within the forestry industry. Stay connected to AFA with the latest news and updates from any computer as well as any wireless device, allowing you to stay in the know from wherever you are.

## Education

- **Environmental Education Programs.** AFA is the leader in providing workshops and other programs statewide to educate teachers and students on the role that well-managed forests play in Alabama's economy, environment and way of life.
- **Online Continuing Education Discount.** AFA leads the nation in providing online programs for loggers and foresters, allowing you to meet your continuing education requirements on your own schedule in the comfort of your home or office. All AFA members receive a discount on these courses!

## Information

- **Publications.** Stay up-to-date on issues affecting Alabama's forestry community through AFA Newsroom, a bi-weekly e-newsletter, and Alabama Forests, AFA's quarterly magazine.
- **Legislative updates and email alerts.** Stay current on activity in the state legislature that might affect your business and investment.
- **Media Relations.** AFA is the Voice of Forestry in Alabama, utilizing news releases, reports and press conferences to ensure that decision-makers stay informed about key issues within the forestry community.

## Community / Networking

- **Attend our Regional Receptions.** AFA hosts multiple Receptions throughout the state of Alabama which consist of an interactive District Meeting followed by a 2 hour Reception. We welcome you and ask that you bring potential members with you as well.