

2021 STIHL TIMBERSPORTS Men's and Rookie Application

Thank you for your interest in competing in STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®. The intent of this application packet is to give all potential competitors a general overview 2021 season.

2020 was without a doubt a challenging year for all of us. As you probably know, we had to make the difficult decision to cancel last year's season due to the challenges imposed by the pandemic. Looking ahead to 2021, it is our goal to resume competitions. No one can say for sure what the New Year will bring, so we are considering multiple approaches, from conducting the season as usual, to holding athlete-only competitions, and even "virtual" events. Our goal for now is to establish a ranked pool of athletes that we will use to select competitors regardless of the competition format. As our plans for the coming year develop, we will make sure to keep athletes updated. Additionally, because of this uncertainty, we have decided to reduce the application cost from \$180 to \$100.

This year we will tentatively have 5 regional men's, and 3 regional women's competitions, culminating in a national championship. We are also currently determining whether we can hold a U.S. Trophy competition. With the large amount of uncertainty surrounding the 2021 season, we may have to adjust or modify the competition schedule and format, and/or the athlete pool selection. We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding. On the international front, our competitions will decide which USA men's athletes will be selected to compete in the World Team, Individual Championships, and the International Trophy Event. If international travel is not allowed, we will work to find a way to include our athletes in a virtual way.

One major change we will be implementing for the 2021 season is the restructuring of the Rookie Division. We will be adjusting our Rookie Athlete selection process to be conducted through application, instead of through a collegiate qualifier. We hope that this will increase accessibility to rookie athletes who previously were ineligible from attending collegiate competitions, and believe this will elevate the skill level of US rookies to allow us to stay competitive on the world stage. On the below application, please apply to either the Rookie or Pro division, but not both.

This being said, much like the professional division, we are considering multiple approaches for conducting the rookie season. With the large amount of uncertainty surrounding 2021, we may have to adjust or modify the competition schedule and format, and/or the athlete pool selection and again, appreciate everyone's patience and understanding. As our plans for the coming year develop, we will make sure to keep athletes updated.

In order to be eligible to compete in the rookie division, the applicant must meet the following conditions:

- 1. Athletes need to be under the age of 25 on January 1st to compete in the respective year.
- 2. Athletes should not have competed at an official STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® competition with all six disciplines.
 - a. Please note: for the purposes of eligibility, the Professional Qualifiers do not count as official STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® competitions. If you have competed in the US Semifinals or Finals, you are not eligible to compete in the rookie division



If you are interested in applying to compete in the rookie division for 2021, please fill out the below application, and mark the box labeled "I would like to be considered for the rookie division".

As always, we want to ensure we produce a competition that is safe, fair to the competitors, and exciting for our fans. Despite the challenges, we are confident that we can make 2021 an incredible year for STIHL TIMBERSPORTS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your region's athlete advisory committee member. (see below for a list of committee members)

On behalf of everyone at STIHL, I wish all of you the very best.

Sincerely,

Zach Tuckman STIHL Inc.

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Application:

To be considered for inclusion in either the 2021 STIHL TIMBERSPORTS Pro or Rookie competition, an application form and resume must be completed and returned by January 31, 2021. A \$100 registration fee must be included with the application. This fee will be returned shortly after the deadline to anyone not selected for the competition. Additionally, this fee will be returned to contestants that are selected to compete by September 15th at the close of the national season. The fee will also be returned if we are forced to cancel the competitions, or hold them with fewer competitors. Selected contestants that fail to appear at the qualifier or championship event will forfeit the fee.

Competition Format, Pools

<u>Pools</u>: Pools for the regional competitions will be selected by Granite State Lumberjack Shows based on the resumes submitted, with the input from the Advisory Committees.

<u>Men's:</u> There will tentatively be 5 regional men's qualifiers. Each of the 5 regional pools will have 8 athletes for a total pool of 40. The top four individuals from each region will move on to the semi-final championship to make two pools of 10. The top 5 from those pools will then move on to the Final Championship round. The winner of the US Championship will then advance to the World Championship. The World Championship US Team will be selected by the Advisory Committee and STIHL organizers based on individual discipline times at the US Championships.

<u>5 US Regional Qualifying Rounds (Competition format and pools are subject to change)</u> Events will be hosted at the regional qualifier events administered by STIHL TIMBERSPORTS Professional Athletes and Granite State Lumberjack Shows. The schedule of these events is as follows:

| Event | Host Venue | Location | Date |
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| Western Men's and Women's Qualifier | Mason County Forest Festival | Shelton, WA | TBD May |
| Southern Men's Qualifier | Lumberjack Feud Show | Pigeon Forge, TN | TBD June |
| Northeast Men's and Women's Qualifier | Cherry Valley Outdoor Games | Cherry Valley, NY | TBD June |
| Midwest Men's and Women's Qualifier | Lumberjack Bowl | Hayward, WI | TBD June |
| Mid-Atlantic Men's Qualifier | Camp Living Waters | Schellsburg, PA | TBD July |
| STS US Championships | TBD | TBD | TBD Jul/Aug |



Rules:

The 2021 Season will follow the international rules. The rules can be viewed and downloaded from https://data.stihl-timbersports.com/Resources

The following exceptions will be applicable for the US competition in 2021:

• The order of disciplines at the Men's Regional Qualifiers, and Men's Semifinals will be held in the traditional US singles competition format.

Advisory Committee:

The purpose of the men's and women's advisory committees is to assist the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS organizers and ensure a safe and fair competition. Through regular communication the committees and STIHL share ideas and suggestions. Athletes should feel free to communicate any questions or concerns to their regional representative. The 2021 advisory committee for the men's and women's divisions are as follows:

Men's Advisory Committee

| Last Name | First Name | Email | Region |
|-------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Cogar | Arden | acogar@mlclaw.com | MidAtlantic |
| Hansen | Ben | bhansen@futurewoodcorp.com | Midwest |
| Beaudry | Trevor | tbeaudry5@gmail.com | At Large |
| Page | Walt | walterpage32@gmail.com | West |
| Slingerland | Matt | mattslingerland@yahoo.com | South |
| TBD | TBD | TBD | Northeast |

Women's Advisory Committee

| Last Name | First Name | Email | Region |
|------------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| King | Martha | martha.king.0711@gmail.com | Northeast |
| Waterfield | Holly | waterfield.holly@gmail.com | Northeast |
| Daun | Lindsay | Inzlou05@hotmail.com | Midwest |
| Witkowski | Kate | kwitk322@gmail.com | Midwest |
| Ramsey | Chrissy | drlumberjill@hotmail.com | West |
| Page | Kate | Katelynpage@live.com | West |



2021 CONTESTANT APPLICATION FORM

Please fill in the following information and return by January 31, 2021. IF YOU HAVE A P.O. BOX, PLEASE PROVIDE A PHYSICAL ADDRESS AS WELL. (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)

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Make checks payable to: Granite State Lumberjack Shows, Inc.

TOTAL ENCLOSED (\$100) U.S. FUNDS ONLY

Send to: Rose Chagnon, 47 Silver St., Farmington, NH 03835

ENTRY FORM WITH YOUR CHECK AND RESUME SHEET MUST BE RECEIVED BY January 31, 2021:



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2021 MEN'S COMPETITOR RESUME SHEET

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