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Thank you for your interest in competing in STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®. This application provides all potential competitors a general overview of the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® 2025 United States Series.

STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® will qualify athletes for the Men's and Women's divisions through athlete resumes. The full qualification process is detailed on the following page. The U.S. Men's and Women's Championship will feature the same number of athletes as last year, in the same competition formats, and will take place as part of German Fest in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The North American Trophy event will take place in Virginia Beach, Virginia and include top-ranked athletes from both the U.S. and Canada.

There will not be an official STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® U.S. Rookie division this year. However, to encourage more rookie competitors to enter the sport, STIHL will be sponsoring multiple rookie-level events for both men and women competitors. Further announcements will be made in early 2025 regarding qualification for the Rookie World Championships.

STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® in the U.S. has a long and rich history. We continue to evolve over the years and have made several adjustments to our divisions and formats, always with the goal of improving the safety, fairness, and excitement of our sport. We believe that these changes will ensure this tradition continues, and the future success of STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®.

To apply for the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® 2025 U.S. Series, the following three documents must be completed, signed, and returned by January 31:

- 1. Athlete Application
- 2. Competitor Resume
- 3. Athlete Advisory Committee Elections

On behalf of everyone at STIHL, I wish you all the best of luck in competition this year!

Best regards,

Adam Wolff STIHL Inc. adam.wolff@stihl.us



Rules and Regulations

The STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® international rules are available at the following link: <u>https://data.stihl-timbersports.com/data/rules/241018_TIMB_rulesandregulations2024.pdf</u>

Qualification Process

Below is the qualification process for the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® U.S. Series:

- 1. Athletes will submit resumes with their best times for each discipline, relative to their division.
 - a. Times must be from within the last three years (2022, 2023, 2024).
 - b. Required information includes contest location, year, and wood size species.
 - c. Stock saw times must be from events where a STIHL MS 661 was used as the competition saw. Other stock saws (brands, sizes) will not be considered.
 - d. It is not necessary to list times from previous STIHL TIMBERSPORTS competitions. This data is provided to the Athlete Advisory Committee by Granite State Lumberjack Shows.
- 2. Granite State Lumberjack Shows will analyze the resumes of all athletes, and rank individuals based on their times for each discipline. This is a purely data-driven analysis and NOT a direct averaging of submitted times.
- 3. The Athlete Advisory Committee, which consists of five members elected by the athletes each season, will conduct a detailed analysis of the athlete rankings to ensure accuracy. The Athlete Advisory Committee verifies resume information, makes objective comparisons of athletes, and discusses performance observations to adjust the rankings accordingly.
- 4. The North American Sports Director works in conjunction with the Athlete Advisory Committee to ensure the rankings are fair and complete, and then submits the rankings to STIHL for final determination.
- 5. The following numbers of athletes will be qualified for the U.S. Series, with four (4) alternates for each division ranked in order. If a qualifying athlete drops out, the next ranked alternate will be offered the opportunity to compete.
 - a. Men's Pro Division 24 athletes
 - > 3 pools of 8 athletes in the Semi-Finals (*Traditional Individual Format*)
 - > 12 athletes advance to the Finals (*Individual Round Format*)
 - b. Women's Division 12 athletes
- 6. To ensure there is still a path for new athletes in each division to enter STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®, STIHL will sponsor select lumberjack competitions around the nation that offer the same disciplines and use similar wood size and species. This will allow athletes to build their resumes during the competition season and include those times on future applications to the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® U.S. Series.



Competition Format

Below is the competition format for the 2025 season. There will be four (4) alternate athletes for each division, ranked in order. Competition formats are subject to change.

Men's Pro Division

- U.S. Championship
 - o 24 athletes will be qualified to compete in the U.S. Men's Championship.
 - <u>Semi-Finals</u> 3 pools of 8 athletes will compete in the Men's Semi-Finals, which will be held in the *Traditional Individual Format*.
 - <u>Finals</u> 4 athletes from each pool (12 total) will advance to the Men's Finals, which will be held in the *Individual Round Format* (aka "elimination" format).
 - The winner will qualify to compete in the 2025 Individual World Championship.
- North American Trophy
 - 16 athletes from USA and Canada will be qualified to compete.
 - Athletes will be qualified using the same process noted on the previous page.
 - Based on the final results of the event, the highest ranked athlete from each country (USA and Canada) will qualify to compete in the 2025 World Trophy.

Women's Division

- U.S. Championship
 - 12 athletes will be qualified to compete in the U.S. Women's Championship, which will be held in the 4-discipline *Women Competition Format.*



2025 Events

Tentative schedule for 2025 events (dates and locations are subject to change):

Event	Location	Dates
North American Trophy	Virginia Beach, Virginia	May 3
World Trophy	TBD	TBD
U.S. Women's Championship U.S. Men's Championship	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	July 25-27
World Championship	Milan, Italy	October 24-25

Athlete Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Athlete Advisory Committee (AAC) is to help ensure a safe and fair competition at all STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® U.S. events. The AAC represents all athletes and regularly communicates with the North American Sports Director regarding the qualification and competition process. Athletes should correspond any questions, suggestions, or concerns to the AAC before elevating to the North American Sports Director.

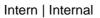
2025 Athlete Advisory Committee Elections

For 2025 there will be both a Men's and Women's AAC consisting of 5 members each. The term for each AAC member will be for the annual season (January–December). AAC general duties are as follows:

- Assist Granite State Lumberjack Shows with qualification and ranking of athletes for the season.
- Work with the North American Sports Director to ensure the qualification and competition process is fair for the entire field of athletes within the official rules and regulations of STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®.
- Receive input from athletes and present issues or concerns to the North American Sports Director. This pertains to specific occurrences within competitions, broad season topics, or issues with rules and regulations.
- Assist with the selection of Team USA for the STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® World Championship.
- Maintain continual discussion in regard to growth of the sport for the betterment of the athlete community.

If you have any questions, contact the North American Sports Director, Nathan Waterfield at: <u>nathanwaterfield@gmail.com</u>

Vote for the 2025 Advisory Committee members on the last page of this application.





Applications are due January 31

Submit your Athlete Application, Competitor Resume, and Advisory Committee Election forms in <u>PDF file format</u> to Granite State Lumberjack Shows via email to: <u>rose.chagnongsls@gmail.com</u>

If you do not have the ability to email in PDF file format, you can also mail hard copies of the application documents to Granite State Lumberjack Shows at:

Rose Chagnon 47 Silver Street Farmington, NH 03835

Note: No entry fee is required this year to submit the application.

Athlete Information: (all fields are required)

Name:			
Birthdate (MM/DD/YY):	Height:	Weight:	lbs.
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone Number:			
E-mail:			

Division: (Choose one of the following options)

- □ I would like to be considered for the **Men's Pro Division**
- □ I would like to be considered for the **Women's Division**

Springboard: (Men only)

Which way do you cut a springboard?	🗆 Right	Left
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<u>Clothing Size</u>: (Select and enter your preferred sizes)

Item	Men's Sizes		Women's Sizes		
T-Shirt		XL 🗆 2X 🗆 3X		XL □ 2X □ 3X	
Duluth T-Shirt	: □ S □ M □ L □ XL □ 2X □ 3X		□ S □ M □ L □ XL □ 2X □ 3X		
Pants	Waist:	Length:	US Size:	Length:	



All applications must include this resume to be considered for United States STIHL TIMBERSPORTS®. Times must be from within the last three years.

□ Please check this box if you wish to use your STIHL TIMBERSPORTS® times from the last three years. If so, leave the tables below blank and sign at the bottom.

Underhand Chop

Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

Standing Block Chop

Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

Single Buck

Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

Stock Saw

Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

Springboard Chop (Pro Men Only)

Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

Hot Saw (Pro Men Only)

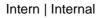
Contest Location	Year	Wood Size	Wood Species	Time	Contest Official

The information I have submitted above is truthful and accurate (sign below).

Signature

Date

Print Name





2025 Athlete Advisory Committee Elections

To vote for 2025 Athlete Advisory Committee members, <u>select **five** representatives from the</u> <u>list of nominees below</u>. Men vote only for the Men's AAC, and Women vote only for the Women's AAC.

Men's Athlete Advisory Committee Nominees

- □ Arden Cogar Jr.
- □ Billy Kunelius
- □ Grant Foreman
- □ Josh Wilson
- □ Matt Slingerland
- \Box Zach Brouse
- □ Trevor Beaudry
- □ Cassidy Scheer
- □ _____

(write-in candidate)

Women's Athlete Advisory Committee Nominees

- □ Alex Miller
- □ Haley Smith
- □ Julie Miller
- □ Kate Page
- □ Nancy Zalewski
- □ _____

(write-in candidate)