

North Carolina Forest Service - Safety Pledge

As an employee of the North Carolina Forest Service [NCFS], I recognize that there are dangers inherent in my job. Some of my duties may require that I engage in risky activities and sometimes work in hazardous situations or conditions. Therefore, I will follow established agency rules, guidelines and signs related to safety, work safely, and limit my exposure to hazards on the job so that I can return home unharmed. To that end, I will:

STAY knowledgeable of emergency response procedures.

ALWAYS operate equipment and machinery correctly.

FOLLOW instructions regarding hazardous materials handling.

ENSURE that I have and wear appropriate personal protective equipment [PPE] for the job or task that I am working on.

TAKE training seriously.

YEARN to be an example to coworkers on how to work safely.

PPROMPTLY report accidents and cooperate in their investigation.

LOOK out for my coworkers and help them work safely.

EEVALUATE my surroundings for hazards by maintaining situational awareness.

DEVOTE myself to workplace safety.

GGAUGE the consequences of my actions and avoid or minimize all apparent risks before I proceed.

EFFECTIVELY remove, repair, or report safety hazards.

