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Prevailing Wage and Piece Rates for the Pulpwood and Logging Industry, May 1, 1998 through April 30, 1999

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The following rates become effective May 1, 1998 in the State of Maine for occupations in the pulpwood and logging industry. These rates are effective from May 1, 1998 through April 30, 1999.

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For Stem Rate Payment Schedule See Tables I, II, and III.

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* Timber is not bucked by cutting crew. Bucking is done mechanically, and the timber is scaled by cord or MBF.
**Rate for thousand pounds is based on green weight.

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# All Other Classifications

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Employers using an IRS "Nonaccountable Plan Option" need to add the applicable chain saw allowance rates below to the prevailing wage rate findings.

Tools and equipment necessary for the job are to be furnished by the employer or an allowance paid for the use of a power chain saw and/or skidder and used by the worker at:

### Skidder Chain Saw Allowance Rates

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For equipment allowances paid by Stem Rate Schedule see Tables I, II, III.

1Tree length timber that is mechanically slashed and is scaled by the cord.
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Stem Rate Payment Schedule
Pulpwood - Tree Length - Softwood
(Fell, Limb, Top, Skid, and Bunch)
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Findings from the 1996 Woods Wage survey. Companies with a nonaccountable plan for chain saw reimbursement add the above chain saw rates to the labor rates.
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(Fell, Skid, and Bunch)
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