2014 **Dry Kiln** Operator's **Short Course**

May 13 - 16, 2014 **NC State University Hodges Wood Products Lab** Raleigh, North Carolina

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SEDKC has been educating and improving the lumber drying industry since 1950



The Hodges Wood Products Lab's dry kiln has a capacity of 1000 board feet and is an updated steam lumber dry kiln with computer controls.

Course Description

This short course will provide practical knowledge about how lumber is effectively kiln dried and scientific background on related wood properties and processes. It will have value for the beginner as well as experienced kiln operators and with supervisors, sales, and marketing personnel. Instruction, by university faculty and industry experts, will be both in the classroom and through hands-on lab exercises using our 1000 BF steam heated dry kiln.



Price

Register Today! Space will be Limited.

Registration Form

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Name	
Title	
Company	
Address	
City	
State/Zip	
Email	
Phone	

Make check payable to: Southeastern Dry Kiln Club \$275 / person for the Course

Mail check and registration form by May 2, 2014, to:

Phil Mitchell, NC State University **Wood Products Extension** Campus Box 8003 Raleigh, NC 27695-8003

Please duplicate this form for additional registrants.

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Program Contents

Tuesday, May 13

- Registration and Welcome
- Methods of Determining Moisture Content
- Selecting Kiln Samples
- Wood Structure and Drying
- Shrinkage and Wood Moisture Relations
- Plant Trip

Wednesday, May 14

- Temperature, Relative Humidity, and Equilibrium Moisture Content
- Drying Schedules
- Equalizing and Conditioning
- Kiln Overheat during Conditioning
- Oak Drying
- Plant Trip

Thursday, May 15

- Basic Kiln Features
- Kiln Maintenance for Operators
- Controllers / Recorders Function & Maintenance
- Trouble Shooting Using Kiln Charts

Friday, May 16

- Air Drying Principles
- · Lab Evaluation of Stress Relief
- Drying Defects
- New Kiln Features

Registration

Registration and payment will be required by May 2, 2014. The registration fee is \$275 with a check made payable to the **Southeastern Dry Kiln Club**, mailed to:

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This cost includes all printed material for the course, refreshments during breaks, and three luncheons on campus.

NC State Wood Products Extension on the Web at:

cnr.ncsu.edu/blogs/wpe/



Hodges Wood Products Lab has classroom facilities and steam heated dry kiln.

<u>Instructors</u>

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