



Problem Defects for Spruce/Fir Logs and Tree Length High Grade

Below are visual examples of spruce and fir logs or tree length which would result as a cull or require a deduction if brought into TRG log yards or directly to Stratton Lumber or Fontaine Inc.



Pasture spruce/fir (logs with excessive knots) not accepted



Spruce log with butt rot; rot is unacceptable.



Excessive sweep not accepted



Double-topped spruce should have been slashed below the fork



A 19 foot log. Any wood over 16'9" will cause issues while passing through the mill



We accept no less than 12'4" lengths



Minimum diameter inside bark:
Sawlogs 5"
Tree length high grade 5"



Shattered butt on a stick of tree length needs to be butted back to solid wood



Broken tops need to be slashed to a square end

Stratton and Fontaine Lumber purchase both Spruce and Fir separately directly to the mill as well as in our Maine Log Yards. Mixed loads are allowed if they are separated by tier and each species is weighed in separately.

Please feel free to contact the Log Buyer with any questions regarding log specifications.
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Below is a Spruce/Fir identification key for your convenience.

(Images below courtesy of New England Wildflower Society)

Red Spruce



Balsam Fir

