

surrounding seasonal ponds. Seasonal ponds included in this guideline must typically persist at least six weeks and be free of fish. The area will generally be managed to prevent the soil and water from warming excessively, to prevent erosion, and to provide large woody debris and leaf litter.

S-TM-5 Even-aged regeneration harvest (clearcutting, seed tree, shelterwood) is allowed after a stand has reached at least 95% of culmination of the mean annual increment. This does not preclude salvage using even-aged harvest after natural disturbances such as fire, wind, insects, or disease or to meet other resource objectives.

Generally, the following forest type groups reach the culmination of mean annual increment at the ages shown in Table S-TM-5.

G-TM-7 A full suite of timber harvest practices will be allowed. Harvest practices will generally be selected because they provide the most appropriate strategy to achieve or optimize achievement of multiple use management objectives.

| Table S-TM-5. Minimum Age for Even-aged Regeneration Harvest | |
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| Forest Type Group | Minimum allowable age* for even-aged regeneration harvest |
| Northern Hardwoods | 90 |
| Lowland Conifers | 90 |
| Lowland Hardwoods | 90 |
| Red and White Pine | 60 |
| Oaks | 60 |
| Jack Pine | 50 |
| Spruce | 50 |
| Paper Birch | 50 |
| Balsam Fir | 40 |
| Aspen | 40 |
| * Age of culmination of mean annual increment. | |