With constant changes in the Forest Products Industry, it’s important to stay up to date with current information and technology to ensure your business runs smoothly. TPTS offers several training classes that will bring you face to face with industry experts for both classroom and hands on training. **Class sizes are limited, so make sure you register early!**

**TPTS Planer Operators Course**

This 2-day course will take place **August 30-31, 2019**. This course is designed for folks new to planer operations as well as experienced operators looking for a refresher in the fundamentals of planer setup, safety, maintenance and abnormality management. *Note: new this year—we will provide an additional training on planer setup relative to its impact on grade optimization.*

Kevin Jensen of Cobra Technical Services and Tad Cleve of TPTS will facilitate the course. Learn more about Kevin and his company at [https://cobratechservices.com/about/](https://cobratechservices.com/about/)

**Registration Costs:** $600 per attendee *(space is limited to the first 20 who register)*

**Location:** Hyatt Place, 160 McKnight Jr. Pkwy, Augusta, GA 30907  
*Note: The “Room Block” will be available on 6/1/2019 and end on 7/27/2019.  
Call: 706-396-4040 and tell them you are with the “TP Technical Service Group” for the reduced rate.*

**Itinerary:**

- **August 29th:** Participants can check in after 3 pm.
- **August 30th:** Classroom training from 8 am to 4 pm at the hotel conference center. TP will provide lunch and host an evening reception from 6-8 pm *(dinner on your own)*
- **August 31th:** Kevin will provide hands on training at our partnering facility, Pollard Lumber Company at their Appling, GA facility. The class will start at 9 am and run until 3 pm.

**TPTS Lumber Grading Course**

TPTS is hosting a 4-day Lumber Grading Course **October 1-4, 2019**. This course is designed for all personnel who are interested in becoming proficient in grading Softwood Lumber.

**Registration Costs:** $750 per attendee *(Includes lunch all four days as well as an evening “Networking Reception” on 10/1/2019). Space is limited to 25 participants, so register soon!*

**Location:** DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Myrtle Beach Oceanfront  
*(all rooms are oceanfront rooms and available under the TPTS room block for $115 per night)*  
3200 South Ocean Boulevard, Myrtle Beach SC 29577, 843-315-7100  
*Note: The “Room Block” will be available on 5/26/2019 through 7/30/2019. Contact the hotel directly or book online at [http://group.doubletree.com/TPTSLumberGradingCourse](http://group.doubletree.com/TPTSLumberGradingCourse) and enter code “TPT”.

**Itinerary:**

- **September 30th:** Participants can check in after 4 pm and enjoy the local attractions.
- **October 1st:** Class from 8 am to 4 pm. We will focus on the basics of lumber grading (product differences, defect identification, knot structures, etc.).
- **October 2nd:** Class from 8 am to 4 pm. Participants will learn to grade different types of knots, using a variety of methods to ensure success.
- **October 3rd:** Class from 8 am to 4 pm. We will continue with knot evaluations and begin working on other limited and prohibited defects.
- **October 4th:** Class from 8 am to 2 pm. We will use the first half of this day to re-cap and focus on areas that need additional time. The last few hours will be focused on Grade optimization and how this training can be utilized to support these systems.

**To Register,** please [click here](https://www.tpinspection.com/training-services) or go to [www.tpinspection.com/training-services](http://www.tpinspection.com/training-services)  
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