



Chain Saw Evaluation Form

Name:	Date:	Agency/Cooperator Name:
Training Location: Classroom: Field:		Address:
Telephone Number:	Yes, I permit the Forest Service to share my Sawyer qualifications and e-mail address with other federal agencies and non-federal organizations so that I can be contacted about saw project opportunities in my area. _____ (initial)	
E-mail Address:		
Previous Certification:	Yes No Level _____	Agency/Unit _____ Year _____
First Aid/CPR:	I certify that I have completed and will maintain current first aid and CPR training _____ (initial)	

BELOW THIS LINE – TO BE COMPLETED BY SAWYER EVALUATOR

SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS

Y/N		Y/N		Y/N	
	Hard hat		Gloves		Approved fuel/oil container
	Eye protection		Boots		Bar guard
	Hearing protection		Chaps		Whistle/radio/cellular telephone
	Long-sleeved shirt		Axe (3-5 lbs)		Wedges
	First aid kit		Chain saw		Tool kit

SAW USE: APPLIES TO ALL CUTTING OPERATIONS

SCORE		SCORE	
	Starting procedure		Bar tip use (boring)
	Correct body position		Positive communication with co-workers
	Thumb placement		Control of cutting area
	Bar tip use (general)		Cut preparation
	Chain brake use		

LIMBING and BRUSHING

SCORE		SCORE	
	Overhead & ground hazard analysis		Limb removal sequence
	Escape route		Spring poles (tension/compression analysis)
	Swamp out of work area		Kickback recognition

BUCKING

SCORE		SCORE	
	Overhead & ground hazard analysis		Wedging procedure
	Swamp out of work area		Bucking sequence
	Bind/tension (compression analysis)		Axe use
	Kerf observation		Use of compound cuts
	Escape route		Kickback recognition
	Multiple bind situations		

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Note to Evaluator: Use a scale of 1 through 3 to identify proficiency: 1 = Needs Work, 2 = Demonstrates Ability, 3 = Shows Strength. 0 or N/A means trainee was not evaluated in area or Not Applicable. Fill in all blanks.



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FELLING							
SCORE		FELLING AREA		SCORE		FELLING PROCEDURE	
			Control of cutting area				Procedure alteration (if necessary)
			Ground & overhead hazard analysis				Wedging procedure
			Positive communication				Use of escape route/safety zone
			FELLING PROCEDURE				Exposure time at stump
			Go/no-go decision/walk away				
			Plumbing of lean (determination of lay)				STUMP ANALYSIS
			Cutting Plan				Felling to desired lay
			Use of gunning sights				Undercut/facecut
			Undercut/facecut				Back cut
			Warning shout				Stump shot
			Back cut				Hinge/holding wood
			Proper body position/looking up				Other

EVALUATOR'S STUMP ANALYSIS SKETCHES

Tree 1	Tree 2	Tree 3
Height _____ DBH _____	Height _____ DBH _____	Height _____ DBH _____
% Slope _____ Species _____	% Slope _____ Species _____	% Slope _____ Species _____
Condition _____	Condition _____	Condition _____
Feet from center of lay _____	Feet from center of lay _____	Feet from center of lay _____

COMMENTS: Attitude, Confidence, Comfort level, Technical Skills, Awareness, Verbal Skills, Weak-Strong Traits, etc.

Certification Level, Subject to Final Approval

- A Sawyer
 B Sawyer – Bucking Only
 B Sawyer – Felling and Bucking
 C Sawyer – Bucking Only
 C Sawyer – Felling and Bucking
 C Sawyer Evaluator

Evaluator's Signature _____ Sawyer Level _____

Evaluator's Name _____ Evaluator's E-mail Address _____

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Student's Signature _____

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