

Chainsaw Evaluation Form

A/B Sawyer

Evaluation Type:	Name: Work Address:			
Current Certification:	Email:			
Classroom Location/Date:		Region: Forest:		
Provide certificate with appropriate modules.	R	Ranger District/ Zone:		
	V	Volunteer Partner/Cooperator Group:		
		Supervisor Name:		
Evaluation Location/Date:				
	S	Supervisor Email:		
First Aid/CPR: 🔲 I certify that I have completed and will maintain current first aid and CPR training. (initial)				

BOXES BELOW TO BE FILLED BY SAWYER INSTRUCTORS OR EVALUATORS

BASIC	C FIELD MAIN	TENANCE		
Correctly removes and re-installs bar and chain		Discusses fue	l geys	er preventative measures
Correctly tensions chain		Proper fuelin	g proc	edure
Checks air filter		Demonstrate	s field	sharpening
Si	AFETY EQUIPI	MENT		
Missing or non-functioning	items will res	ult in suspensi	on of e	evaluation.
Head protection		Boots		Ax
Eye protection		Chaps		Wedges
Hearing protection		Gloves		Radio or other communication device
SAW HAN	NDLING AND	OPERATIONS		
Demonstrates 5-point safety check		Describes OH	LEC pi	rocess
Demonstrates correct chain brake use		Demonstrate	s corre	ect boring procedures
Demonstrates correct starting procedures		Demonstrate	s sprir	g pole mitigation
Demonstrates reactive forces (saw off)				

BUCKING OPERATIONS

Use a scale of 1 through 3 to identify per-log proficiency: 1=Needs work 2=Demonstrates Ability 3=Shows Proficiency.

Score	OBJECTIVE		re	ESCAPE PLAN
	Objective clearly articulated			Escape plan clearly articulated
	Work area control			Good side / bad side determined
Score	HAZARDS			Escape path(s) determined and cleared
	Hazards relative to objective identified and mitigated			Escape plan utilized
	Clears work area	Sco	ore	CUT PLAN
	Spring poles mitigated			Articulation of cut plan
Score	BINDS			Sequence of cuts
	Location and type of binds recognized			Use of wedges
	Bole movement anticipated			Implementation of cut plan
	Correct cut sequence			

SAWYER ANALYSIS				
Firm but comfortable grip, with thumb wrapped around		Adherence to cutting plan or communicates reason for		
handlebars		deviation		
Proper stance, solid footing, body to one side, doesn't overreach		Saw Handling (use of chain brake, deliberate/ intentional cutting, chain does not contact ground, etc.)		
Anticipates binds correctly (avoids bar pinch)		Work area control - communication with swamper and potentially downhill neighboring workers. (warning shout)		
Determine stability of the log (anticipate & predicts movement)				



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FELLING OPERATIONS

Use a scale of 1 through 3 to identify per-tree proficiency: 1=Needs work 2=Demonstrates Ability 3=Shows Proficiency.

Score		OBJECTIVE	Score		ESCAPE PLAN
		Objective clearly articulated			Escape plan clearly articulated
		Tree height determined			Escape path(s) determined and cleared
Score		HAZARDS	Score		CUT PLAN
		Hazards relative to objective identified and mitigated			Articulation of cut plan
		Work area hazards identified and mitigated			Cutting area control
		Sounding and fiber condition			Undercut
Sco	ore	LEANS			Hinge
		Determine types of lean			Back cut
		Calculate amount of lean			Use of wedges
		Good side / bad side determined			Implementation of cut plan

EVALUATOR SKETCH TREE #1	EVALUATOR SKETCH TREE #2	EVALUATOR SKETCH 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

SAWYER ANALYSIS				
	Firm but comfortable grip, with thumb wrapped around			Adherence to cutting plan or communicates reason for
	handlebars			deviation
	Solid footing, body to one side, doesn't overreach			
	Determine fiber condition of objective			
	Acceptable hinge constructed (80%+/ 10%-)			
	Proper wedge selection & placement			
	Met objective			

COMMENTS	

Recommendation for Level of Certification (subject to final approval)

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Evaluator (print)	_Signature
Evaluator Certification Level	_E-mail
Student Signature (optional)	_ Date

NOTE: Please attach any evaluation photos or additional drawings to this document.