

Chain Saw and Crosscut Saw Training Course

2006

Safety

**Situational Awareness Exercise
For Crosscut Sawyers**

SAFE SAWING DECISIONS

Safe or Unsafe

Make

SAFETY

Your FIRST choice

Unsafe



Safe

- Remove the saw's rear handle to avoid snagging it on branches
- Secure the saw sheath
- Carry the saw with the teeth outward, away from your neck

Unsafe



Safe

- Remove the saw's rear handle to avoid snagging it on branches
- Carry the saw with the teeth outward, away from your neck
- Walk with a safe distance between crew members

Unsafe



Safe

- **Brush out the work area before bucking**

Unsafe

Safe

- Wear your PPE (eye protection)



Unsafe



Safe

Hold the saw correctly:

- Cut with your dominant hand around the saw handle
- Guide the cut with your other hand on top of the blade

Unsafe



Safe

- Too many people at work can cause confusion and a potential hazard

Unsafe



Safe

- People in the cutting area need to stay $2\frac{1}{2}$ tree lengths from felling activities

Unsafe



Safe

- People in the cutting area need to stay $2\frac{1}{2}$ tree lengths from felling activities

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Safe

- Wear your PPE (head protection – a hardhat)
- Too many people at work can cause confusion and a potential hazard

Unsafe



Safe

- People in the cutting area need to stay $2\frac{1}{2}$ tree lengths from felling activities

Unsafe

Safe

- Carry the saw with the teeth outward, away from your neck



Unsafe



Safe

- Use a squeeze bottle to direct a stream of environmentally acceptable solvent on the saw's surface, not on the ground

Unsafe



Safe

- Place bark under logs to prevent saw teeth from hitting rocks
- Place the wedge as soon as possible to avoid pinching the saw
- Carefully strike the wedge squarely on the head