

Sawyer Evaluation Form

Name _____ Date _____ Phone _____

Address _____

District/agency _____ Forest _____

Previously certified? _____ Chain saw? _____ Level _____ Where _____ Year _____

Instructors: All blanks need to be filled in. Use G for Good, F for Fair, and P for Poor to rate proficiency in each area. N/A means applicant was not tested in this area.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- ___ Hardhat
- ___ Long-sleeved shirt (optional for crosscut saw)
- ___ Gloves
- ___ Boots
- ___ Wedges
- ___ Eye protection
- ___ Ax
- ___ Chaps (optional for crosscut saw)
- ___ Hearing protection (chain saw only)
- ___ Saw sheath

HAZARD ANALYSIS

- ___ Top
- ___ Widow maker
- ___ Bark
- ___ Leaners
- ___ Hangups
- ___ Determine soundness and lean(s)
- ___ Snags/green-tree hazards
- ___ Root wads/loose logs
- ___ Other

SAW USE

- ___ Saw and ax condition
- ___ Safe, comfortable body position
- ___ Throttle lock use (chain saw only)
- ___ Thumb placement (chain saw only)
- ___ Starting procedure
- ___ Bar tip use, general (chain saw only)
- ___ Boring, specific (chain saw only)
- ___ Handle placement (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Ax/saw selection
- ___ Cut preparation, bark removal (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Saw passing (crosscut saw only)

FELLING PROCEDURE

- ___ Escape routes/safety zones
- ___ Swampout
- ___ Plumbing lean
- ___ Thumb placement (chain saw only)
- ___ Undercutting
- ___ Wedging procedure
- ___ Warning shout
- ___ Back cutting
- ___ Cutting with head up
- ___ Handle removal (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Gunning cut
- ___ Use of gunning sights

___ Use of escape route/safety zone

___ Leave it

STUMP ANALYSIS

- ___ Felled to desired lay
- ___ Felled to other lay
- ___ Undercut positioning
- ___ Back cut
- ___ Horizontal cut
- ___ Sloping cut
- ___ Undercut as a whole
- ___ Holding wood
- ___ Stump shot, height
- ___ Stump shot, holding wood
- ___ Dutchman, one corner
- ___ Dutchman, both corners

FELLING AREA

- ___ Crew safety
- ___ Secure area
- ___ Communication
- ___ Cleanup

LIMBING

- ___ Overhead dangers
- ___ Body positioning
- ___ Thumb placement (chain saw only)
- ___ Spring poles/tension/compression
- ___ Limb removal sequence
- ___ Use of bar tip (chain saw only)
- ___ Use of ax

BUCKING

- ___ Overhead analysis
- ___ Ground/hazard analysis
- ___ Bind/tension/compression analysis
- ___ Thumb placement (chain saw only)
- ___ Use of pie-shaped cuts (chain saw only)
- ___ Wedge techniques
- ___ Cutting sequence
- ___ Kerf observation
- ___ Release cut movement
- ___ Protection of saw (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Double bucking (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Compound cut
- ___ Underbucking (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Single bucking (crosscut saw only)
- ___ Offset cutting (crosscut saw only)

Figure 6-1—Sawyer evaluation form.

Sawyer Evaluation Form

COMMENTS

Use this space to make additional comments about such things as attitude, technical skills, verbal skills (weak, strong, and so forth).

SKILL LEVEL

Chain saw rating _____ (A = Apprentice, B = Intermediate, C = Advanced)

Crosscut saw rating _____ (A = Apprentice, B = Intermediate, C = Advanced)

Instructor/certifier for: Chain saw _____ Crosscut saw _____ Level _____

RESTRICTIONS (if any)

Classroom instruction given at _____ Date _____

Instructor's signature _____ Title _____ Level _____

Recommended by (if applicable) _____ Title _____

Field examination given at _____ Date _____

Examiner's signature _____ Title _____ Level _____

Supervisor's signature _____ Title _____ Level _____