

# **Chainsaw Evaluation Form**

FS-2300-0052a (2025)

## A/B/C Sawyer

Evaluation Type:  Initial evaluation	Sawyer's Name: Work Address:					
☐ Re-evaluation	Email:					
Current Certification Level:	2					
Classroom Location/Date:		Region: Forest:				
Evaluation Location/Date:		Ranger District/ Zone:				
		Volunteer Partner/Cooperator Group:				
		Saw Program Coordinator (Forest/Unit) or Sawyer's Supervisor				
		Name:				
		Email:				
First Aid/CPR: I certify that I have completed and will maintain current first aid and CPR training(sawyer's initial)						
Nationally Recognized Sawyer Training Course (NTSTC): I certify that I have completed a Nationally Recognized Sawyer Training						
Course (NRSTC) and will maintain certification(sawyer's initial)						
☐ Eligible for Wildland Fire (Completed guard school + NRSTC with Fireline Equivalency)						
ROYES RELOW TO BE EILLED BY SAWYED INSTRUCTORS OF EVALUATORS						

Check boxes Y or N or N/A

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SAW HANDLING AND OPERATIONS				
Chainsaw safety check demonstrated [5-point]	Procedural size up [OHLEC] process articulated			
Correct chain brake use demonstrated	Correct boring procedures demonstrated			
Correct starting procedures demonstrated	Reactive forces demonstrated			

#### **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		Score	ESCAPE PLAN
	Objective clearly articulated			Escape plan clearly articulated
	Work/cutting area controlled			Good side/bad side determined
	HAZARDS			Escape path(s) determined and cleared
	Hazards relative to objective identified and mitigated			Escape plan utilized
	Work area cleared			CUT PLAN
	Spring poles mitigated			Cut plan articulated
	BINDS			Cut sequence utilized
	Location and type of binds recognized			Wedges utilized (if applicable)
	Bole movement anticipated			Cut plan implemented
	Correct cut sequence utilized			
	SAWYER ANA	LYSIS -	BUCK	ING
	Firm, comfortable grip with thumb wrapped around	rapped around		Cutting plan followed (rationale for deviation
	handlebars demonstrated			communicated)
	Proper stance, solid footing, body to one side, and			Saw handling demonstrated (use of chain brake,
	no overreach demonstrated			deliberate/intentional cutting, chain does not contact
				ground, etc.)
	Binds correctly mitigated (avoids bar pinch)			Complexity determined
	Log stability determined (anticipated and predicted			Work/cutting area controlled—communicated with
	movement)			swamper and any downhill workers (e.g. warning shout)

### **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		Scor	e	ESCAPE PLAN
	Objective clearly articulated				Escape plan clearly articulated
	Tree height determined				Escape path(s) identified and cleared
	HAZARDS			CUT PLAN	
	Hazards relative to objective identified and mitigated				Cut plan articulated
	Work area hazards identified and mitigated				Cutting area controlled
	Fiber condition assessed (e.g., sounding)				Undercut removed
	LEANS				Hinge constructed
	Types of leans determined				Back cut executed
	Amount of lean in feet calculated				Wedge(s) used (if applicable)
	Good side and bad side determined				Cut plan implemented



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TREE #1	TREE #2		TREE #3			
Height DBH	Height DBH		Height DBH			
Species Feet from center of lay	Species Feet from center of lay		Species Feet from center of lay			
Complexity rating (H, M, L)	Complexity rating (H, M, L		Complexity rating (H, M, L)			
Firm, comfortable grip with thumb	SAWYER ANALYSIS		plan followed (rationale for deviation			
handlebars demonstrated	wrapped around	commu				
Solid footing, body to one side, and demonstrated	d no overreach	Objectiv	re attained			
Fiber condition determined		Accepta	Acceptable hinge constructed (80%+/10%-)			
Complexity determined		Go/No-	Go decision			
	COMMENT	rs .				
Recommendation for Level of Certification						
A-Sawyer Bucking A-Sawyer Felling & Bucking B-Sawyer Bucking B-Sawyer Felling & Bucking						
☐ C-Sawyer Bucking ☐ C-Sawyer Felling & Bucking ☐ C-Evaluator Bucking ☐ C-Evaluator Felling & Bucking						
Evaluator Name: Signature:						
Evaluator Certification Level:		E-mail:				
Evaluator Name:		Signature:				
Evaluator Certification Level: E-ma		mail:				
Student Signature (optional): Da		te:				