



BC **Forest Safety** Council
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Certifying fallers in B.C.

Two paths lead to the certification required to fall trees in British Columbia. Those new to the forest industry complete requirements of the provincial faller training standard, while experienced fallers can challenge the standard. Here's what is available.

Training: As this went to press, enrolments remained open for these sessions scheduled in June 2007 and, as with all faller training, coordinated for the BC Forest Safety Council by Malaspina University-College.

- ▶ Port Clements on the Queen Charlotte Islands for classroom instruction; field training site to be arranged

- ▶ Parksville for classroom instruction; field training site to be arranged in the Port Alberni area

For information on these and future offerings, contact Marion Knost at Malaspina University-College — phone 250-740-6364; email knost@mala.bc.ca.

Challenge: Experienced fallers can challenge the faller training standard by completing an initial skills assessment and passing a written test and a field evaluation test.

Those ready to make the challenge can obtain more information from Gary Banys at the Council's office in Nanaimo — during office hours to 250-741-1060, toll-free to 1-877-741-1060; after hours and weekends to 250-724-2813; email banys@bcforestsafe.org.