

DESIGNATED HIGH RISK VIOLATIONS: HAND FALLING OR BUCKING



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 1

OHS Regulation 26.24(2)

Failing to prepare a safe escape route before falling or bucking begins.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 2

OHS Regulation 26.24(7)

Failing to move to a predetermined position, at least 3m (10 feet) away from the base of the tree where possible, and take cover, when the tree starts to fall.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 3

OHS Regulation 26.24(5)

Failing to use the following proper falling procedures:

- Sufficient undercut
- Undercut must be complete and cleaned out
- Sufficient holding wood
- Backcut must be higher than undercut to provide step on the stump

Wedging tools must be immediately available and unless the tree has pronounced favorable lean, wedges must be set.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 4

OHS Regulation 26.26(4)

Failing to fall dangerous trees before performing work in the area made hazardous by the dangerous tree.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 5

OHS Regulation 26.24(6)

Using a tree to cause another partially cut tree to fall in succession, except to overcome a specific falling difficulty and done in accordance with the Regulation.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 6

OHS Regulation 26.25

Leaving partially cut trees, unless done in accordance with the Regulation.



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 7

OHS Regulation 26.24(5.1)

Brushing of standing trees where brushing can be avoided.

Section 26.23(1) of the Regulation states, in part:

“brushing” means the striking of a standing tree by a tree being felled if the strike is a direct blow or a glancing blow of sufficient force to cause one or more branches to break at or near the stem of the standing tree



HIGH RISK VIOLATION # 8

OHS Regulation 26.24(1)

Working within two tree lengths of a tree being felled.

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