

Date:		Block # :	
Faller's Name:		Supervisor:	
Timber Type:		Company:	
Licensee:		Geographical Area:	
Prime Contractor:		Timber Type:	
Harvesting type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground <input type="checkbox"/> R/W <input type="checkbox"/> G/Y <input type="checkbox"/> Heli <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Signature of Faller:		Date:	
Signature of Assessor:		Date:	

Faller Inspection Comments

(What supervisor observed in the fallers work area and what was discussed with the faller)

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Mark **Meeting** to indicate meeting the acceptable standard.
 Mark **Below** to indicate not meeting the acceptable standard.
 Include comments in each part based on observations
 ALL boxes marked **Below Must** have a corrective action in the comments.

Part 1: PPE:	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hard hat - Face protection - Hearing protection - Hand protection - Hi-vis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean pressure dressing - Leg protection (3600 min) - Footwear - Has access to a radio - Whistle on outside of clothing 		
Part 2: Mental & Physical Well-Being	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Focused on the job - Acceptable attitude - Eats and drinks. - Does some stretching - Uses good body posture while working. 			
Part 3a: Man Check Procedures	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequent checks with partner or qualified assistance. - Safe work procedures are in place for minimum and maximum distances between fallers and other workers. 			
Part 3b: Transportation	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vehicle in good mechanical condition. - Parked in a safe and appropriate location. - Tools and equipment secured and stored separately from workers. - Appropriate communication system is available and working. - Fire extinguisher in truck. 			
Part 4: First Aid and ERP	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First Aid personnel and equipment that meets the requirements of OHS Regulations for the site. - Knows how to initiate the ERP. - Knows the location of the first 1st aid attendant, nearest ETV and first aid supplies. 			
Part 5a: Initial Safety Meeting	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Has participated in an initial safety meeting for the falling area. - Potential hazards communicated to the faller. - Proper signage in place. 			
Part 5b: Active Falling Area	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of SWP for entering a falling area. - Knowledge of SWP for entering and exiting a fallers active work area. 			
Part 6: Adverse Weather Conditions	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wearing or has available clothing appropriate to conditions. - Is aware of weather-related shutdown criteria. - Emergency access/egress concerns are assessed. 			

Part 7: Identifying hand tools and equipment:	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Axe: - Has an axe at the base of each tree being felled. - Handle in good condition. Minimum of 17" handle - Minimum of a 3.5-lb. pinned / secured head - Carried in an acceptable carrier.			
Wedges: - Has a minimum of three wedges appropriate for timber type, in good condition and immediately available at the base of each tree being felled.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 8: Chainsaw - Full wrap handlebars. - Adequate falling dogs. Meets CSA standard. - Chainsaw and bar length appropriate for timber type. - In good operating condition with all safety features functioning (chainbrake, trigger lock and chaincatcher). - Idle is properly adjusted. - Spare bar and chain readily available.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 9: Chainsaw maintenance - Chain is properly tensioned. - Bar and tip in good condition. - Teeth are evenly and equally filed. Saw cuts smoothly. - Files and tools are available. - If ground chain is used, it must be ground to manufacturers' specifications.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 10a : Demonstrate chainsaw handling Carrying Tools: - Properly cleared and marked access trail. - Bar and chain pointed behind on downhill side when carrying saw. Gas and oil carried on opposite side. - If saw carried on shoulder for a long distance, chain removed from bar and saw dogs effectively guarded.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 10b : Demonstrate chainsaw handling Carrying Saw Tree to Tree: - Chain is properly adjusted to prevent a running chain. - Consistent appropriate use of chainbrake.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 10c : Demonstrate chainsaw handling Starting the Chainsaw: - Demonstrates a controlled start of the saw. - Saw fueled without unnecessary spillage. - Containers stored in a safe location. - Starts chainsaw minimum 10 ft. away from containers.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 10d : Demonstrate chainsaw handling Chainsaw Handling: - Both hands on chainsaw at all times while cutting. - Comfortable grip with thumb wrapped around handlebars. - Three-point stance, solid footing, body to one side. - Pulls chainsaw smoothly out of cuts. - Is prepared for kickbacks at all times. - Doesn't overreach. - Backbarring limited to max 6" saplings, under bucking, removing stump whiskers or to overcome a difficulty.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>

Part 11a: Demonstrate process of falling	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site Assessment:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walks the falling area prior to falling - Takes note of overhead, ground, terrain, and other worksite hazards (other activities) 			
Part 11b: Demonstrate process of falling	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Prepare to Fall the Tree:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assesses trees for lean from high side - Assesses trees for overhead, ground hazards and tree defects. - Plans and prepares escape routes a minimum of 10 ft. and/or to available cover. - Plans tree placement. - Chainsaw is fueled up. Chain sharp. 			
Part 12: Falling a tree	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tree assessment completed. - Escape route brushed out. - Escapes 10 ft. and takes cover when available. - Appropriate undercut / backcut used. - Uses wedges when required. - Looks up during and as tree falls. - Tree falls in intended direction. - Works on the safe side of the tree. - Re-checks canopy before returning to the stump. 			
Part 13a: Wedging and directional Control	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Wedging:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wedging tools available at tree being felled. - Appropriate axe being used. - Wedge inserted into backcut as soon as possible when needed. - Appropriate wedge(s) are used to lift the tree. - Pushes only when wedging is not possible. - Demonstrates SWP for wedging, (screen down, saw off, earmuff lifted, 2 hands on axe). - Stops wedging regularly to look up. 			
Part 13b: Wedging and directional Control	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Directional Control:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluates the tree as to the ability to directionally fall the stem, based upon tree condition and size. - Uses saw sight lines to make an undercut which places the tree in the intended direction of fall. - Checks holding wood to ensure that it is maintained on the low side. 			
Part 14: Recognize dangerous falling practices	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creates a safe area to open up the falling area to avoid unnecessary brushing. - Uses natural openings. - Removes saplings and dangerous trees. - - Follows the falling plan. 			
Part 15: Manage falling hazards	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Up-slope falling:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planned and cleared escape route. - Higher backcut step used. - Uses a Swanson undercut. 			

Part 15: Manage falling hazards	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Heavy leaners: -Assesses the tree as a heavy leaner. -Undercut no more than 25%. -Demonstrates T-Strap or Bore cut. -Watches for stump pull.			
Pushing/limb-tied trees: - Only used to overcome a falling difficulty. - Both trees are assessed for hazards and defects. - Back tree must be large enough to facilitate push. - Two escape trails constructed (one for each tree). - Proper sequence of cuts used, and wedges set.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Danger Trees: -Performs a full tree assessment. -Two escape trails prepared. -Checks fuel. -Felled into open area. Felled with lean if possible. -Comfortable stump height. -Monitors top for movement or failure.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 16: Identifying Special Falling Techniques	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Falling against the lean/ small-diameter tree: - Constructs backcut first. Sets a wedge. - Finishes backcut while maintaining holding wood. - Constructs undercut slightly below backcut.			
Short stubby tree: -Fully assesses the short stubby tree. -Checks and removes defects and hazards. -Constructs escape route(s) while monitoring the hazard. -Constructs appropriate undercut and backcut. -(Up to 50% undercut)	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Re-falling a cut-up tree: - Has assessed tree and cannot set a wedge or use a pusher tree. - Makes new escape trail while monitoring cut up tree. - Makes new falling cuts slightly offset and as high as -- safely possible above previous cuts. - Falls tree using appropriate undercut/backcut in direction of new lean.	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
Part 17: Demonstrating limbing/taping	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
-Assesses log for stability. -Maintains supporting limbs. -Cuts limbs flush. -Does not overreach or cross body with powerhead -Loaded limbs removed in sections. -Wears eye and face protection while limbing and retrieving tape.			
Part 18: Demonstrating the bucking process	Comments:	Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	Below: <input type="checkbox"/>
- Assesses the area for overhead hazards. - Assesses the tree for bind, and stability. - Ensures there are no loose objects above or behind the log. - Clears adequate escape and has secure footing. - Prepared for kickback. Cuts are straight and completed. - Limited splitting of log. Bucks at or near pivot points where possible.			

Part 19: Demonstrate falling cuts

Acceptable standard: Includes appropriate undercut and backcut are completed from high/safe side. Depth of the undercut is between 25% and 40% of the tree diameter. Undercut is cleaned out. The cuts forming the opening of the undercut are 33% to 50% of the length of the top cut. Backcut is slightly above the undercut, can be slightly off level. Holding wood is preferably maintained across the entire stump but at minimum **must be on both corners**.

Stump #	Tree Species	Ground Slope %	Dia. Inches	B/C Inches	U/C Inches	U/C %	U/C Type	U/C Opening	Backstep High side	Backstep Low side	Acceptable or Unacceptable
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Stump Comments/Corrective Actions

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