

Trainee:		Agency / Tribe:	
Evaluator:		Date of Evaluation:	

Evaluation Category	Rating
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1. Safety Equipment	
Hardhat	
Gloves	
Long Sleeve Shirt	
Ear Protection	
Eye Protection	
Chaps	
Boots	
Wedges (3 minimum)	
Falling Axe (3-5 lbs.)	
Category Rating	

2. Hazard Analysis	
Tree top, dead limbs, "widow makers"	
Tree and bark soundness (rot)	
Leans	
Hang-ups	
Ground hazards (roots, root wads, loose logs)	
Snags/Green Trees in Fall Zone	
Canopy / weight distribution	
Other	
Category Rating	

3. Felling Area Safety Plan	
Crew Safety – Safety Zone Identified	
Secure Working Area	
Escape Route identified	
Communication of Intent	
Category Rating	

4. Saw Condition, Start-Up and Use	
Chain Tension / sharpened	
Gas, Bar Oil, Nuts and Bolts	
Chain Brake	
Throttle Lock Use	
Chain Break Use	
Starting Procedure	
Thumb Grip/Placement	
Safe, Comfortable Body Position	
Bar Tip Use and Boring	
Category Rating	

5. Felling Procedure	
Escape Route and Safety Zone	
Swampout work area	
Lean determination	
Category Rating	

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5. Felling Procedure, continued.	
Gunning Cut	
Use of Gunning Sights	
Sloping Cut	
Warning Shouts	
Back Cut	
Use of Wedges	
Use of Escape Route / Safety Zone	
Use of felling dogs	
No-Go Determination (Leave-It)	
Category Rating	

6. Fall / Stump Analysis	
Felled to Desired Lay	
Felled to Other Lay	
Undercut Positioning	
Gunning Cut	
Sloping Cut	
Holding Wood	
Stump Shot (height)	
Category Rating	

7. Limbing Procedures	
Overhead Dangers	
Body Positioning	
Spring Poles	
Tension, Compression Wood	
Limb Removal Sequence	
Use of Bar Tip	
Category Rating	

8. Bucking Procedures	
Overhead Hazards	
Ground Hazards	
Identify Binds/Tension/Compression	
Use of Wedge/Pie Cut	
Cut Sequence	
Kerf Observation	
Release Cut Movement	
Angle Cut	
Drop Cut	
Category Rating	

Evaluator will score each rating area with: G (Good); F (Fair); P (Poor).

Evaluator Comments (Consider attitude, technical knowledge, physical ability, verbal skills, recommendations and other elements):

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Previously Certified?	Yes	No	Level	Where	Year

Faller Skill / Qualification Level – Evaluator’s Recommendation			
<i>(Note: Evaluator Must Sign Appropriate Box)</i>			
Apprentice Sawyer (FALA)	Intermediate Faller (FALB)	Advanced Faller (FALC)	"C" Faller Certifier (CCRT)

**** Qualification will be recorded in the IQCS (Incident Qualification and Certification System)**

Classroom Instruction Given at:	Date:
Instructor Signature:	Title: Level:
Field Examination Given at:	Date:
Evaluator's Signature:	Title: Level:
Home Unit Certifying Official's Signature:	Title: Date:

Copies of this Evaluation should be provided to the Employee, the Employee Supervisor, the Certifying Official and Regional Safety Officer (if any) and maintained in employee’s official training files.