

Chainsaw Log Book



Operator Name:

FS 1329 HPR 2019/05



BC Wildfire
Service

Completion Guidelines

Certification	Bucker Trainee Faller (FIT) Faller Q.F.T. (Qualified Faller Trainer)
Date	Format: 'yy mm dd' e.g. 17 06 22
Task	Initial Training (working to complete Task Book) Inspection (Certification Evaluation or inspection) Trail Slashing (Hoselay, limbing, juvenile trees, brush) Bucking (downed stems, helipad, mop up, training) Falling (Fuel Free, Clear cut, training) DTF (Danger tree falling, fires, projects) Helipad (Falling opening, construction cuts, training)
Location	Geographic location (Page 61) eg. Skeena
Time	Half Day (3 hrs or less) Full Day (> 3 hrs) Record each date on separate line as Day or Half Day
Species	Representative Species Codes (page 60) ie. Fd Cw
Size	Size range (Average Diameter at Stump) ie. 12-20
Slope	F = Flat (<10%) M = Moderate (< 45%) S = Steep (45%-60%) E = Extreme (60%+)
Supervisor	Supervisor's name

Logbook must be readily available at all times when using Chainsaw

Note: If more than one activity or significant variation in working conditions takes place on a particular date >3hrs, use more than one row to enter information.

Qualification Summary

Date	Training Received	Competency Documented	Certification Achieved

Evaluator Information

Name of QFT or QST	QFT Employee #	Work Site Location

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Tree Species Guide

DTA Species Group	General Group	Species
Douglas-fir, Larch, Pines, Spruces	Douglas-fir	Douglas-fir (Fd)
	Larch	Western larch (Lw) Tamarack (Lt) Alpine larch (La)
	Pine	Lodgepole pine (Pl) Ponderosa (Yellow) pine (Py) Western white pine (Pw)
	Spruce	White spruce (Sw) Engelmann spruce (Se) Sitka spruce (Ss) Black spruce (Sb)
Cedar	Cedar	Western redcedar (Cw) Yellow-cedar (Yc)
Hemlock, True firs	Hemlock	Western hemlock (Hw) Mountain hemlock (Hm)
	True Fir	Grand fir (Bg) Amabilis fir (Ba) Subalpine fir (Bl)
Broad- Leaved Deciduous	Broad-Leaved Deciduous	Bigleaf maple (Mb) Red alder (Dr) Paper birch (Ep) Trembling aspen (At) Black cottonwood (Ac)

Note: Names and spellings taken from *Tree Book: Learning to Recognize Trees of British Columbia*, co-published by the Canadian Forest Service and the B.C. Ministry of Forests.

Geographic Locations

Geographic General	General Group	Specific Region
Northern Boreal	Boreal Mountains	Omineca (OM) Cassiar (CAS) Northern Rockies (NR) Skeena (SK)
	Lowlands	Peace (PC) Fort Nelson (FN)
Interior Dry	Fraser River	Cariboo (CB) Lillooet (LL)
	Okanagan	Thompson (KAM) Okanagan (OK)
Rain Forest	Coast	Coast Mountains (CM) Mid Coast (MC)
	Vancouver Island	North Vancouver Island (NVI) South Vancouver Island (SVI) Coastal Vancouver Island (CVI)
	Interior Wet Belt	East Kootenay (EKT) West Kootenay (WKT) Robson (RV)
Mountain Pine Beetle		VanJam (VJ) Merrit (MT)
Out of Province		Northern Alberta (NA) Southern Alberta (SA) Eastern Boreal (EAST) Territories (T) Other

Professional Faller's Code

As a professional BC Wildfire Service certified Faller or trainee, you have agreed to adhere to an industry-wide code of practice. The purpose of the code of practice is to provide practical guidance and to summarize standards of safe work procedures in hand-falling work.

A Professional Faller:

- * recognizes the hazards that he or she encounters, and understands his or her own limitations regarding skills, knowledge and experience.
- * wears and uses the appropriate PPE, including radio, whistle and first aid kit at all times and ensures that this equipment is properly maintained.
- * ensures and maintains good mental and physical well-being.
- * plans before falling and participates in the initial safety meetings
- * knows and uses emergency and evacuation procedures.
- * recognizes adverse weather conditions, and knows when to stop work and leave the area according to safe work procedures.
- * anticipates falling results and plans accordingly before making any falling and bucking cuts.
- * recognizes hazards and develops a means to control them prior to starting work
- * uses safe work procedures when preparing to fall, including conducting site assessments and preparing the surrounding area.
- * uses well-maintained tools and equipment, including the correct size of axe and wedges for the job.
- * maintains the chainsaw so it is ready prior to the start of any task
- * uses safe work procedures when in the field, for regularly checking the well-being of fallers and their location and to enter any active falling area..
- * can safely use and handle the chainsaw, including appropriate use of the chain brake
- * and uses correct body positions to reduce fatigue and prevent injury.
- * will recognize dangerous falling practices and plans to avoid them.