



PHYSICAL CONDITIONS AND SAFE WORK PRACTICES CHECKLIST – SILVICULTURE

Standard		Legislative Reference	Hazard A,B,C	Comments
CHAINSAW / CLEARING SAW USAGE				
1.	Chainsaw/Clearing saw in good condition Training records	39 (a), (b)		
2.	Proper chainsaw/clearing saw starting and operating procedures	39 (c)		
3.	Saw chain/blade sharpened and maintained correctly			
4.	Saw carried correctly			
5.	Appropriate landing area prepared and cleared of hazard	108		
6.	Danger zone observed	109 (a)(i)		
7.	Chicots/freestanding trees/hang ups/snags/spring poles dealt with			
SKIDDING				
8.	Circle check completed			
9.	Fire extinguisher charged/other firefighting equipment readily available	FFPA		
10.	First aid kit available and inspected, at least quarterly	FAR		
11.	Loose equipment not present in cab or equipment secured in cab			
12.	Machine secured when stopped/blade down (zero energy)	57, 58		
13.	Skidding speed/safe skidding	112		
14.	Rollover hazards avoided			
15.	Seat belt worn			
16.	Danger zone observed			
17.	Chicots/free-standing trees/hang-ups eliminated safely			
18.	Spring poles observed			
19.	Mounting/dismounting (3-point contact)			

20.	Handholds/footholds/machine guarding in good condition			
21.	Winch, mainline and chokers in good condition and used properly			
22.	Machine lock and tag procedure and equipment in place and understood	42,74-76		
23.	General condition of machine	114		
24.	Certification underway or complete	104-106		
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE				
25.	Eye protection	81		
26.	Hearing protection	139		
27.	Head protection	80		
28.	Hand protection	84		
29.	Foot protection	82		
30.	Leg protection	84		
31.	High-visibility clothing			
32.	Other PPE (fall protection, bear bells, suntan lotion, helmets, etc.)			
SERVICE VEHICLE HAZARD CONTROLS				
33.	Fire extinguisher charged/inspected & fire equipment readily available.	FCR FFPA		
34.	First aid kit available and inspected.	FAR		
35.	Compressed gas cylinders secured.	49		
36.	WHMIS labels and SDSs.	OHSA 37		
37.	Eye wash antidotes, flushing fluids or washes	124		
38.	Lifting/hoisting devices (annual inspected if required, no defects, safety catches, load rating, etc.)	51		
39.	Condition of power tools and equipment	43,44		
40.	Housekeeping	11		

41.	Adequate spacing of equipment, vehicles, and buildings in case of fire			
LOADING / HAULING / PERSONNEL TRANSPORTATION / BUSES				
42.	Circle check completed	55 - 115		
43.	Fire extinguisher charged/checked fire equipment readily available	FFPA		
44.	First aid kit available and inspected, at least quarterly	FAR		
45.	Proper loading techniques			
46.	Seatbelts worn			
47.	Load secured using proper tie downs	HTA		
48.	Vehicle lights clean and visible			
49.	General condition of vehicle			
50.	Appropriate signs posted along roadway	117(c)		
51.	Bridge on haul road acceptable	118		
52.	Drivers of vehicles using safe driving habits at appropriate speeds			
53.	Communication adequate and properly used			
BUSH CAMPS (WATER SYSTEMS)				
54.	Water Purification Systems – Potable drinking water available for kitchen, showers, hand washing, dishwashing, etc. Documentation of water testing provided by district health unit.	CIUT 9-12, 25-29, 45-50		
55.	All non-potable water supply lines must be clearly labeled to prevent accidental consumption.			
56.	Shower system – Hot and cold water available, with adequate pressure. Separate showers available for all genders.	CIUT 31, 36		
57.	Septic systems - grey water pits are covered and surrounded by a protective barrier. Drainpipes must be covered, buried and their location clearly labeled. Grey water pits more than 100 feet from any water source.			
BUSH CAMPS (ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS)				
58.	Generator in good condition and properly grounded.			
59.	Safe operating and fueling procedures for generator clearly posted at generator location.			

60.	Buried cable locations shall be clearly marked; all above-ground cables shall be securely fastened and shall not pose a tripping or overhead hazard.			
61.	Mobile trailers connected to the electrical system shall be properly grounded.			
62.	Dining area extension cables and plugs shall be securely fastened at a minimum of 1-foot above ground level.			
63.	All extension cables should be rated for outdoor use.			
64.	Lockout procedure understood and lockout equipment in place			
BUSH CAMPS (FUEL HANDLING AND STORAGE)				
65.	Secure fuel storage area – separated from main camp structures			

RESOURCES	
Ontario Health & Safety Act	
Regulation 851 for Industrial Establishments	
Ontario e-laws	