

## B Sawyer

A Sawyer **Certified at the B** level may operate a saw in moderately complex situations. This certification applies to either chainsaw or crosscut use and can be for bucking only for those sawyers not needing to fall trees.

Skill Level	Responsibilities and Limitations	Training	Knowledge	Skills
<b>B Sawyer</b>	<p>May independently fell, buck, and limb any size material in moderately complex situations.</p> <p>May saw at the next higher level under the immediate supervision of a sawyer qualified to supervise the work.</p> <p>Can supervise any A Sawyer.</p> <p>May conduct formal instruction for A and B Sawyers with written approval from the Saw Program Coordinator.</p> <p>May <u>not</u> conduct field proficiency evaluations of A and B Sawyers.</p>	<p><b>Formal Instruction:</b> at least 8 hours</p> <p><b>Demonstrated Field Proficiency:</b> at least 12 hours</p> <p><b>Total Training:</b> 20-36 hours</p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b> First Aid and CPR</p>	<p>Acquired through formal instruction utilizing one or more nationally recognized saw training courses (NRSTC), which review the topics covered in A Sawyer training <u>and</u> introduce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principles of limbing, bucking and felling</li> <li>techniques in moderately complex situations.</li> <li>Identification and evaluation of hazardous felling and bucking situations.</li> <li>Proper turndown procedure for cutting situations that exceed the sawyer's abilities.</li> </ul>	<p>Proficient in basic saw skills and tools needed for crosscut and chain saw use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrates proper placement of under cuts and back cuts in sound trees.</li> <li>Demonstrates completeness and accuracy in tree size-up, complexity analysis, placement of wedges, undercuts, back cuts, and stump analysis.</li> <li>Proficient in single and double bucking techniques, including clear team communication (crosscut saw only).</li> <li>Demonstrates ability to assess when a sawing task exceeds sawyer's capabilities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Field Evaluation:</b> Demonstrated knowledge of brushing, felling, bucking and limbing tech. of moderate complexity.</p>

