

Chain Saw and Crosscut Saw Training Course

2006

Safety

**Situational Awareness Exercise
For Chain Saw Sawyers**

SAFE SAWING DECISIONS

Safe or Unsafe

Make

SAFETY

Your **FIRST** choice

Unsafe

Safe

- Buck from the uphill side
- Remove overhead hazards
- Clear an escape route



Unsafe

Safe

- Keep the saw below your shoulders
- Remove tripping hazards
- Clear an escape route

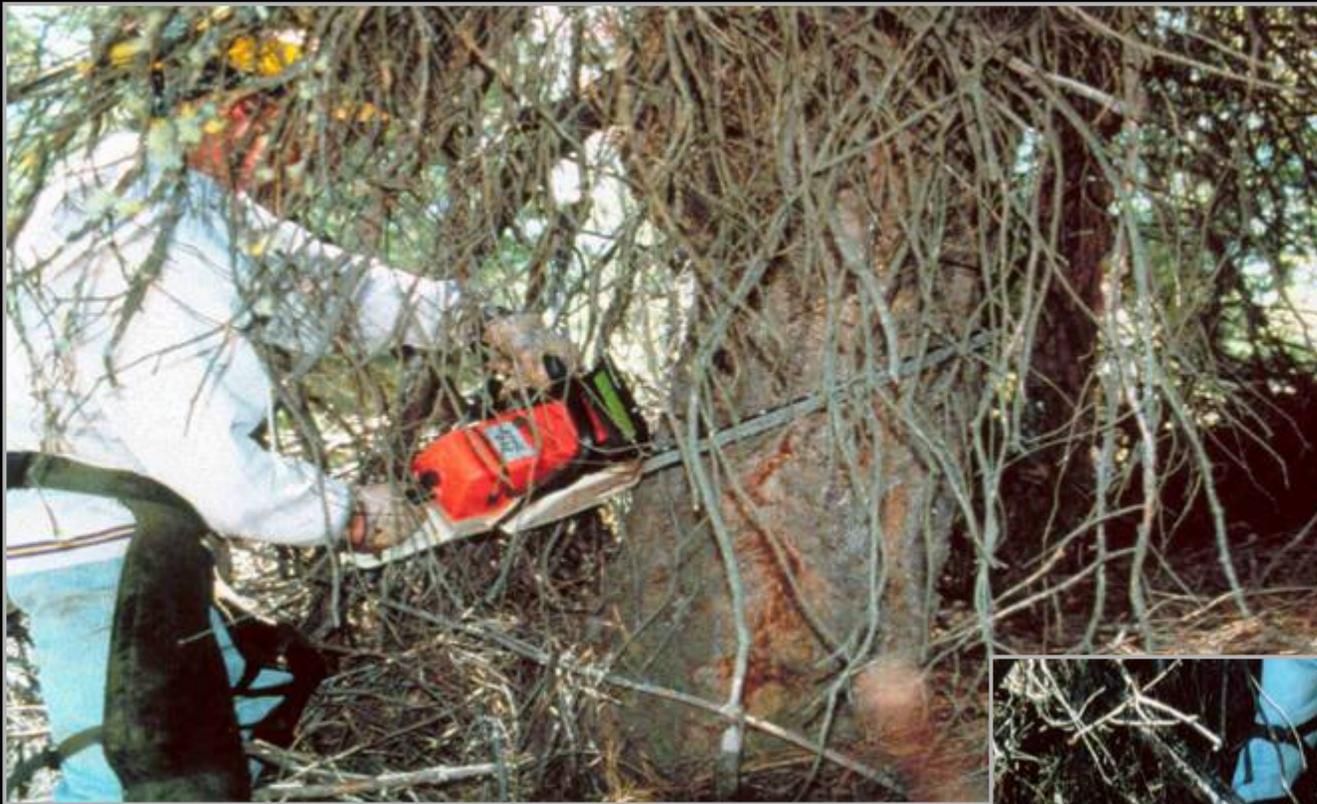


Unsafe



Safe

- Limb from the uphill side
- Remove spring poles safely
- Remove overhead hazards
- Clear an escape route



Unsafe

Safe

- **Keep your eyes on the saw blade**
- **Remove tripping hazards**
- **Remove overhead hazards**
- **Clear an escape route**



Unsafe

Safe

- Wear your PPE (hardhat, gloves, hearing protection)
- Buck from the uphill side
- Remove overhead hazards
- Remove tripping hazards
- Clear an escape route



Unsafe



Unsafe



Safe

- Remove tripping hazards
- Remove overhead hazards
- Clear an escape route

Unsafe



Safe

- Always start with an undercut, then finish with the back cut
- Second sawyer must stand at least 2 ½ tree lengths away
- Second sawyer must pay attention to the tree being cut

Unsafe

Safe

- Wear PPE (hearing protection)
- Keep the saw below your shoulders
- Remove tripping hazards
- Clear an escape route



Unsafe



Safe

- Avoid kickback, remove obstacles the bar tip might contact

Unsafe



Safe

- Avoid kickback, remove obstacles the bar tip could contact
- Clear work area before limbing
- Keep your eyes on the saw blade

Unsafe



Safe

- Remove overhead hazards
- Keep the saw below your shoulders
- Remove tripping hazards

Unsafe



Safe

- Smoking and fuel don't mix, stay 50 feet away from the fueling area

Unsafe



Safe

- Remove overhead and tripping hazards
- Clear an escape route

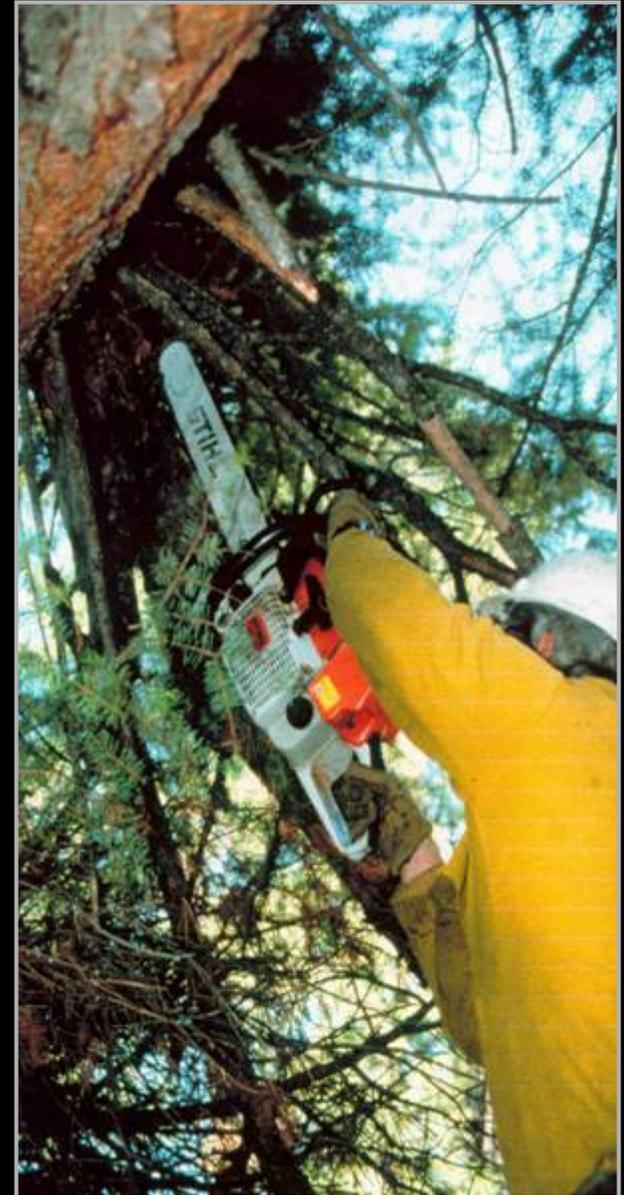
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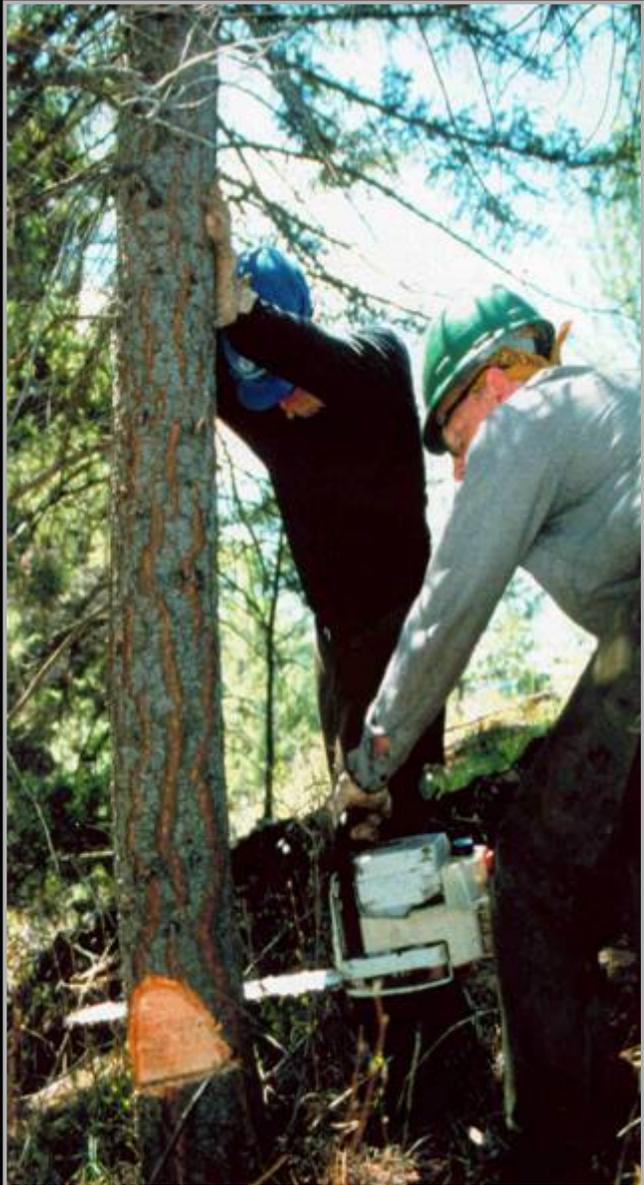
Safe

- Remove overhead hazards
- Keep the saw below your shoulders
- Remove tripping hazards, clear an escape route
- Avoid kickback, remove obstacles the bar tip could contact

Unsafe



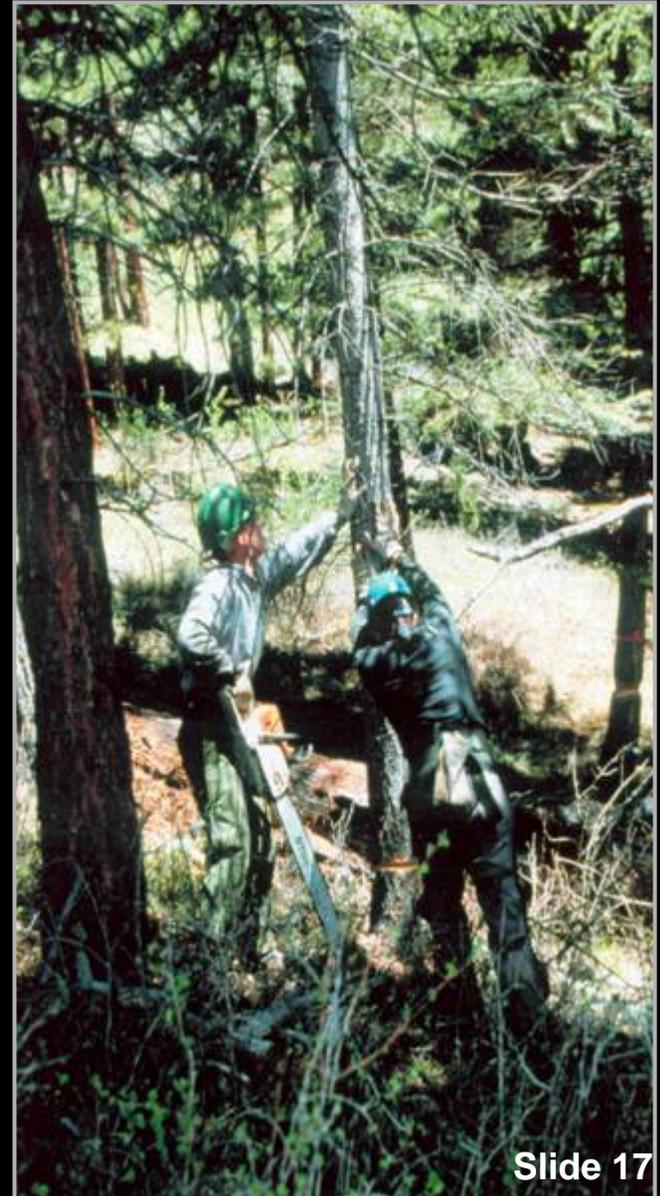
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Safe

- Use wedges
- Watch the top of the tree for overhead hazards
- Stand in a safe place, not the kickback zone

Unsafe



Unsafe



Safe

- Remove overhead and tripping hazards
- Keep your eyes on the saw blade
- Clear an escape route

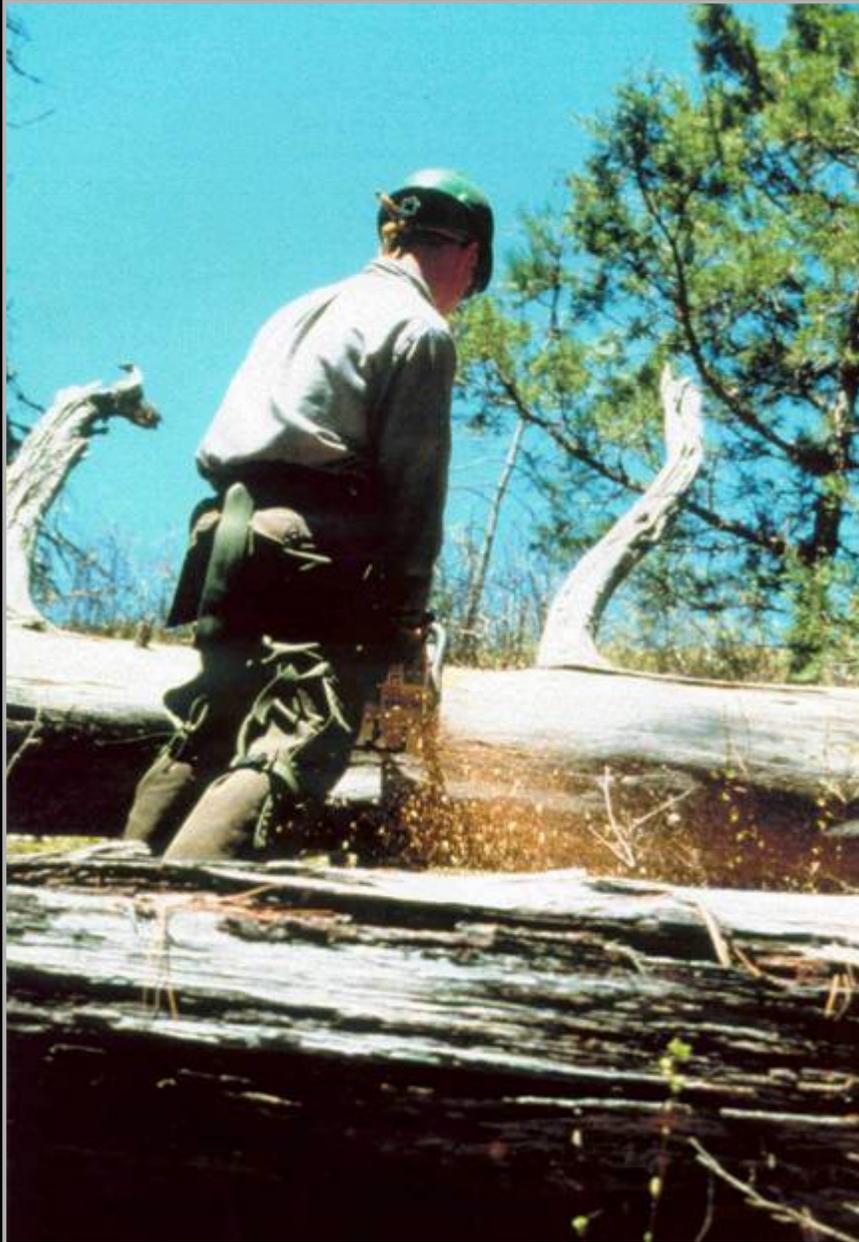
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Safe

- Maintain 2 ½ tree lengths between sawyers
- Keep equipment 2 ½ tree lengths from falling activity
- Pay attention to people and potential hazards in the cutting area

Unsafe



Safe

- Buck from the uphill side
- Clear an escape route

Unsafe



Safe

- Maintain 2 ½ tree lengths between sawyers
- Communicate!