

Cutter/Skidder Operator Program Certification Summary

Step One – Employer obtains Signing Authority

- Employer must contact local Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities (MTCU) office to obtain Signing Authority (Check the blue pages of your phone book under 'Training' for the nearest MTCU office).

Step Two – Worker Completes Common Core Classroom Training

- Worker or potential worker completes 1 1/2 day Introduction to Professional Chainsaw Operation (IPCO) Program for Cutter and/or 1/2 day Introduction to Professional Cable Skidding (IPCS) Program prior to working as a cutter and /or skidder operator in a logging operation. Classroom instruction must be provided by an approved Trainer/Evaluator (list of approved trainer/evaluator available from local MTCU offices).
- Worker/Trainee gets Record of Training and submits to the employer.
- This training will need to be retaken after one year if the person has not registered as a cutter and/or skidder operator.

Step Three – Employer conducts On-site Orientation/Training

- The worker must receive the on-site orientation utilizing the MTCU On-Site Orientation Checklist document prior to operating the designated equipment in a logging operation. (Available from local MTCU offices.)

Step Four - Employer Registers and Initiates Training for Worker

- **Employer registers worker with MTCU by submitting the Modular Training Application.**

Note: The above step must be completed prior to the worker operating designated equipment in a logging operation.

- Worker can now begin on-the-job training with a certified/accredited Cutter and/or Skidder Operator or competent supervisor.
- Worker completes training, evaluation and certification within one year.

Step Five – Worker Certification Process

- When the employer is satisfied that the worker is properly trained to the program standards, the supervisor and trainee sign the Modular Training Booklet.
- The employer arranges for the worker to be evaluated by a certified evaluator who conducts the on-site evaluation based on the MTCU on-the-job training standards in the Modular Training Booklet.

- If the certified evaluator is satisfied that the worker has competently demonstrated his/her skills, abilities and knowledge to operator the specific equipment, the signing authority signs the MTCU Modular Training Report form. The employer then forwards this form to MTCU.
- If the certified evaluator is not satisfied with the workers abilities, he/she will indicate what the problems are to the employer. Additional practice, on-the-job training or classroom training will be required. A future evaluation is scheduled with the certified evaluator.
- The worker will receive a wallet card upon successful completion of the Cutter and/or Skidder Operator program certification requirements.

Note:

- The underlined documents are required to be completed during the certification process.