



## Tree Risk Assessment Competency

Trainee's Name, Registry #, and Step level \_\_\_\_\_  
Company \_\_\_\_\_ Job location \_\_\_\_\_

Demonstrates Proficiency \_\_\_\_

Demonstrates Competency \_\_\_\_

Demonstrates Partial Competency \_\_\_\_

Demonstrates Little or no competency \_\_\_\_

Trainee begins with a 100 score. Points are deducted according to the scale below.

95 – 100 = Proficiency, 90 – 94 = Competency, 85 – 90 = Partial Competency,

Below 85 = Little or No Competency

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

View from outside dripline:

Identify targets per scope of job (powerlines, vehicle traffic, pedestrians, structures): 2 points

Describe general condition of tree (species, height, width, lean, crown/height ratio, appearance of adjacent trees): 2 points

View from inside dripline:

Soil condition (excess water, heaving, cracking): 2 pts

Appearance of root crown (no flare, normal flare, elephant's foot): 2 points

Root inspection (mushrooms on the ground, cut or damaged roots, trenching): 1 point

Evidence of butt rot: 2 points

Evidence of cavities: 2 points

Evidence of dead limbs, widow makers (broken stubs indicating previous failures): 1 point

Codominant leaders with included bark or previous failure point: 1 point

Cracks associated with decay: 2 points

Hazard beams: 1 point

Signs and symptoms of disease (deformed or off-color leaves, sparse foliage, excessive die back, woodpecker damage): 1 point

Bee's, animal nests, raccoon feces: 1 point

Burnt tree in fire area: 1 point

Describe sounding: 1 point

Describe pull test: 1 point

Determine that subject tree is/isn't safe to climb/fell (if not, trainee explains why) 11 points

Determine that subject tree is/isn't safe for rigging (if not, trainee explains why) 11 points

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Evaluator's name

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Evaluator's signature

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Trainee's signature

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Date