

# LOG YARD SAFETY PROCEDURES

Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Trainer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- Ground personnel must wear high visibility hard hats and high visibility vests to enable equipment operators to more readily see them.
- Maintain solid log decks to prevent logs from rolling and causing harm.
- Build stable loads by ensuring logs are well saddled.
- Do not swing logs near or over anyone.
- Log loaders must maintain at least 36 inches of counterweight clearance.
- Locate ground workers before moving equipment.
- Maintain a clear view of the direction of travel.
- If a loader is not equipped with an automatic bi-directional alarm, sound the horn before moving the loader.
- Keep your machine in good condition.
- Wear personal protective equipment: hard hat when outside the cab, leg, eye and hearing protection and heavy duty boots while operating a chain saw. Work boots that provide ankle support are required for all employees.
- Use steps and grab rails. Don't jump from the machine.
- Before any employee begins maintenance or servicing of equipment where the unexpected energizing, start-up, or release of stored energy could cause injury, the equipment will be shut down, isolated from all potentially hazardous energy and locked or tagged out. **SEE LOCKOUT/TAGOUT PROGRAM.**
- Log stackers and front-end loaders should carry loads as low as possible to maintain stability.
- Before unloading a truck ensure driver is in the clear and in view of the log unloader operator.
- Wrappers must be left in place until the load is secured to prevent logs from falling off load.
- Only authorized persons are allowed to operate equipment.
- No person shall approach the immediate vicinity of a log-handling machine without first notifying the operator of the person's intention and receiving an acknowledgement from the operator that it is safe to approach.
- Riding on any part of a log-handling machine except under the canopy guard is prohibited.
- Persons shall not position themselves in the hazardous area near or under loads of logs being lifted, moved or suspended.

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