

Logging Operations: General Requirements

Scenario

Logging operations require employees to work in all types of weather, on all types of terrain, and in isolated, remote locations. The tools and equipment which logging employees use or operate, such as chain saws, axes, and tractors pose hazards wherever they are utilized. As logging employees use their tools and equipment, they are dealing with massive weights and irresistible momentum of falling, rolling, and sliding trees and logs.

It happened like this

Xavier and Thomas were felling trees. Around mid-morning Xavier noticed that Thomas wasn't wearing his mesh face shield. He instructed Thomas to put it back on. Thomas did so, but as soon as Xavier left the area, he took the face shield off.

Later that day both men were riding in a company truck. Xavier saw that Thomas wasn't wearing his seat belt. He instructed Thomas to put it on. After Thomas dropped Xavier off, he undid his seatbelt and continued driving.

The following day, Xavier noticed that Thomas kept the pickup truck running while he was refueling it. He told Thomas to shut it off while refueling.

What are the issues?

What did Xavier do right?

What did Thomas do wrong?

What do you think should happen next?

