



Destiny Resource Services Partnership

Safety Alert

Entering an Active Falling Area

The definition of an active falling area is the area within two tree lengths or 60 metres (whichever is greater) of a faller who is equipped with falling tools and is in the process of falling.

The procedure for entering an active falling area is as follows:

- 1) From outside the active falling area get the attention of the faller by radio, voice or visual contact.**
- 2) Wait for the faller to shut off the saw, then hail the faller and establish eye contact.**
- 3) Establishing verbal communication with the faller is mandatory!**
- 4) Ask the faller “Do you have anything cut up? Is it safe to enter the falling area?”**
- 5) No one is allowed in an active falling area unless the faller verifies the area is safe and grants permission to enter.**
- 6) The faller will stop all work while people or machinery are moving through his falling area.**
- 7) Once through the area notify the faller that you are clear.**
- 8) Without the above sequence you cannot enter the falling area!**

Following proper procedure eliminates the hazard of the task at hand.

Not following procedure can result in severe consequences.

Think about it: Is it worth it?