

College of Forestry 400: Forest Field Safety

Safety Policy & Procedure Manual
Section 400: Forest Field Safety
Effective: 01 January 2007
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this section is to provide information to help protect employees and students from the health hazards presented by field activities conducted in the forest.

Background Information

Workers performing in forest field conditions are regulated under Oregon Administrative Rules Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division, Division 7,

437-007-0001 Authority of Rules. These rules are promulgated under the Director's authority contained in ORS 654.025(2) and ORS 656.726(4).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 654.025(2) and 656.726(4).

Stats. Implemented: ORS 654.001 through 654.295.

Hist: OR-OSHA Admin. Order 5-2003, f. 6/02/03, ef. 12/01/03.

437-007-0002 Purpose of Rules. The purpose of the rules contained in this Division is to prescribe minimum safety and health requirements for all employees employed in forest activities work.

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Stats. Implemented: ORS 654.001 through 654.295.

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General

- Field safety is the highest priority during all field activities
- Safety is an attitude
- Most accidents are the result of complacency and quite often happen to experienced workers
- Safety is a team effort as well as an individual effort

Sections covered in this manual include:

Section 410 Personal Protective Equipment

Section 420 Planning, First Aid, and Work Conditions

Section 430 Tools, Fire Extinguishers, and Explosives

Section 440 Cutting Trees, Pre-commercial Thinning, and Slash

Section 450 Forest Driving