

Evaluation/Performance Checklist: Chipper/Shredder

Operator: _____ Date: _____

Chipper/Shredder ID: _____ Make/Model: _____

Instructor: _____ Location: _____

	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement
Follows Pre-Operation Inspection		
Safe Start Up		
● Remove any tripping hazards		
● Clear the area of bystanders		
● Start the chipper/shredder at the lowest possible speed		
● Listen for noise or vibration		
● Follow the operator's manual procedures		
PTO Precautions		
● Properly hitched		
● On level ground		
● Tractor in neutral, with parking brake set		
● Start tractor, engage PTO and then increase to recommended RPM		
Safe Feeding Procedures		
● Feed material at full operating speed		
● Feed branches from the side of chute		
● Keep hands and feet outside the chute, use a push stick, if necessary		
● Let go of material as soon as it begins to be pulled in		
● Feed the branches butt end first		
● Shorter materials on top of longer materials		
● Collect small materials and put them with chipped material		
Safe Shut Down		
● Disconnect power supply		
● Remove key		
● Follow the operator's manual procedures		