

PRECONDITIONS for ECC assessments

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Requirements for the assessor

- Assessor has to be independent from the trainer providing the training
- assessor can be from the same training center
- Assessor has to be trained according to ECC guidelines
- An assessor needs at least 5 yrs relevant chainsaw experience
- Assessor has to be objective, consult with trainer is not allowed
- assessor should have first aid degree

Verification process

- Every assessor needs to be audited every 2 yrs
- Policy for auditing assessors necessary
- Every country should have its own lead auditor and possibly other auditors
- All lead auditors meet once a yr

Assessment requirements for ECC1

- A candidate doesn't have to follow training before taking the ECC test
- An assessment should last between ## and ## minutes
 - Maintenance max ## minutes; If candidate needs more time or fails for another reason, he doesn't continue to the crosscutting
 - Crosscutting min ## minutes and max ## minutes
- If a candidate fails ECC1 he has to wait at least 1 week before retaking the test
- An assessor can have maximum ## candidates at a time
- Candidates should be separated from each other in a way they can't see each other
- A prerequisite for ECC1: before entering the practical test they have to pass the theoretical test
- It is up to the training centre to organize the assessment (both theory and practical)
- The training centre should provide material to the candidate
- The assessor decides which trees the candidate should crosscut

Information for the candidate

- Information package (cfr. ETW) should be provided before the exam including:
 - A clearly described assignment
 - What he should bring
 - What will be provided by the assessor
 - How much time he gets
 - Examination rules (no cheating, what if, etc)
 - How the scoring goes
 - Pre-requirements

Process preconditions

- Should a participant have passed ECC1 before 2, ECC2 before 3 etc.?
- if someone has a different certificate, do they get the ECC certificate without having to do the exam?

Site requirements for ECC1

Site requirements for ECC2

Site requirements for ECC3

Site requirements for ECC4