Safety Observation Audit – Skidder Operation

Safety Audit for _____
(name of employee)

Safe Behavior

Skidder is inspected for safety prior to beginning each work shift, including ROPS, FOPS, steps, guards, and handholds. Seat belt is worn at all times. Proper PPE is used at appropriate times. Skidder is operated at a safe distance from other personnel and equipment. Skidder is operated at a safe speed, and not on excessive slope. Blade, grapple and rigging are kept clear of the ground and obstructions while skidding or moving. Blade is lowered when the skidder is parked. Cables and chokers are frequently inspected and properly maintained. Skidder brake is set before dismounting. Load is kept within the safe capacity of the skidder, considering the ground conditions and terrain features. Landing is approached at a safe speed, looking out for other workers. No riders are carried on the skidder. The proper 3-point contact technique is used when mounting or dismounting the skidder.

OBSERVATIONS	SAFE	UNSAFE	COMMENTS
(1) Skidder inspection completed			
(2) Seat belt worn			
(3) Appropriate PPE used			
(4) Operated at safe distance			
(5) Operated at safe speed/slope			
(6) Blade/grapple clear when moving			
(7) Blade/grapple lowered when parked			
(8) Blade set when dismounting			
(9) Skidder not overloaded			
(10) Landing approached cautiously			
(11) No riders carried			
(12) Proper mounting/dismounting			
(13)			
(14)			
(15)			

No. of safe observations: _____ No. of unsafe observations: ____ % safe observations: _____

General safety comments: _____

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By _____ *Date* _____