# **SCALING METHODS**

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# 13.0 Rationale for Varying Scale Requirements

Scaling requirements in the Yukon vary according to the different products and permit types described by the Yukon Timber Regulation. In general, scaling requirements are established on a cost-risk basis.

The scaling methods described in this chapter vary in level of accuracy and proportionately, the cost to the operator in terms of time, labour and required equipment. The scaling requirements of different timber permits vary in relation to the value of the permit. In some cases, the operator has a choice of two or more available scaling methods.

This chapter describes the different scaling methods and names the types of permits that may use each method. Each method has an associated grading component which is described in Chapter 14.

# 13.1 Piece Scaling

Piece scaling is the most accurate and commonly used method in the Yukon.

# 13.1.1 Application

This scaling method may be used by all round wood permits other than Class H, and for deciduous timber.

### 13.1.2 Summary of Method

Gross dimensions of every log are measured, including length, and inside the bark diameters at both ends. Firmwood deductions are measured and recorded to determine net volume. Volumes are determined using Smalian's formula as described in Chapter one.

#### 13.1.3 Method

Gross log or slab dimensions are measured as per Chapter 10. Any irregularly shaped pieces must be measured according to the procedures outlined. Care must be taken to measure butt diameters in the correct location on the log to avoid exaggeration due to flare.

Firmwood deductions are calculated and recorded as per Chapters two through nine. A calculation is then done to determine the net volume of the piece.

Net volume may be calculated one of two ways as described in Chapter two. The volume of any firmwood defects may be calculated and directly subtracted from the calculated gross log volume. Or, as is more commonly done, firmwood deductions are made to determine net log dimensions from which a net log volume can be calculated

- Using half volumes listed on scale stick,
- Using table of half volumes, or
- Automatically by software installed on hand-held computer

A grade must be assigned to each piece as per Chapter 14. All measurements and necessary information, including net log volumes and grades, must be recorded on the Scale Tally Sheet, form number FR-358 (see example in Figure 13.1).

Once the FR-358 has been completed, an accompanying summary of scale FR-381 must also be completed (see example in Figure 13.2). If a hand-held scaling computer is being used, a detailed log listing report along with a summary of scale must be generated. Examples of these reports are shown in Figures 13.3 and 13.4.

Submissions of all forms associated with the scaling and reporting of round wood logs must be submitted as per the schedule outlined in Section 15.9.

# 13.2 Weigh Scaling

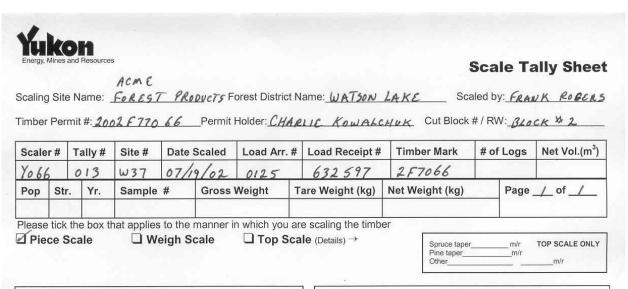
This is the most efficient method of scaling large volumes of round wood timber. It is more cost effective than piece scaling in that only randomly selected loads are scaled. The sampling intensity is directly related to the volume and homogeneity of the wood being harvested.

## 13.2.1 Application

This method may be used for all round wood permits other than Class H permits.

### 13.2.2 Summary of Method

Truckloads of logs are weighed; both gross and tare, to determine the mass of the logs. Randomly selected loads are set aside for piece scaling. The selection of the sample loads is based on a sampling intensity that is set by the Forest Management Branch. Piece scale volume data from sample loads is used to calculate a weight to volume conversion rate. Grade information from sample loads is used to create a grade profile of the wood being weigh scaled. The calculated grade profile and conversion rate is then used to determine the volume and value of all loads, including those that were weighed but not piece scaled as samples.



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FR-358

Figure 13.1 Scale Tally Sheet (FR-358)

Signature of Scaler



# **Summary of Scale**

Scaling Site Name: Acme F. P.	Forest District: Watson Lake	Scaled by: Frank Rogers
Permit Holder: C. Kowalchuk	Timber Permit: 2001 F77066	Cut Block #/ RW: Block #2

Total number of piece scale/sample tally sheets summarized on this scale: 30

Scaler #	Tally #	Site #	Date Scaled (MM/DD/YY)	Load Arr.#	Load Receipt #	Timber	mark	Total Pieces	Net Vol. (m³)
Y066	013	w37	02/07/19	0125	632597	2F70	66	30	22.243
Str.	Y	'ear	Sample #	Block #	Gross Weight (	kg)	Tare We	eight(kg)	

Species	Grade	Number of pieces	Net Volume (m³)
Sw	1	9	9.006
Lo	7	5	4.538
รพ	2	6	2.884
Lo	2	4	2.051
Sw	3	2	2.273
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Signature of Scaler Date Signed (MM/DD/YY)

FR-381

Figure 13.2 Summary of Scale (FR-381)

CHECKS DETAILED LOG LISTING WITH DEFECTS Page 1 of 3 Region : YT District : TE Date of Scale: 02.03.12 Time of Scale: 17:43 Scaled By: VERN DAVIES Date Printed: 02.08.08 Signature: 1 Arr. Blk. Load Net-ka Site Scaler Ret. G Log No. N Count Popn-St-Yr No. No. Slip No. Weight No. No. 002 G 0074 2002 41 01 0026 012 0005326 X01 Y034 ---- Gross ----- Defects ---- Net Log# Mark Pt S SpG Len Top But Volume DTM Len Tp Bt Volume Volume Srt Rm 0001 1F7011 LO2 165 006 018 0.933 0.933 LO2 153 005 015 0.601 0.601 LO2 149 005 015 0.585 0.585 0003 SP2 167 005 014 0.580 0.580 0004 LO2 148 006 015 0.607 0.607 0005 LO2 149 006 017 0006 0.761 0.761 LO2 148 007 016 0.709 0.709 0007 8000 LO2 163 005 016 0.719 0.719 LO2 086 005 012 0.228 0009 0.228 0010 LO2 158 008 017 0.876 0.876 0011 LO6 021 005 009 0.035 0.035 SP2 159 005 014 0.552 0.552 0012 0013 SP2 154 005 016 0.680 0.680 LO2 150 005 014 0.521 0014 LO2 052 005 007 0.060 0.060 0015 LO2 154 006 016 0.706 0016 0.706 0.776 0017 LO2 152 006 017 0.776 LO2 070 005 008 0.098 0018 0.098 LO6 017 005 006 0.016 0.016 0019 0020 LO2 131 005 013 0.399 0.399 0.353 LO2 133 005 012 0.353 0021 0022 SP2 149 006 017 0.761 0.761 0023 SP2 175 006 016 0.803 0.803 SP2 107 005 013 0.326 0024 0.326 0.299 LO2 056 012 014 0.299 0025 LO2 048 005 008 0.067 0.067 0026 LO2 152 006 018 0.860 0.860 0027 LO2 032 005 007 0.037 0.037 0028 0.552 LO2 159 005 014 0029 0.552 0030 LO2 127 006 011 0.313 0.313 SP2 177 006 018 1.001 0031 0032 SP2 148 006 016 0.679 0.679 LO2 132 006 015 0.541 0.541 0033 0034 SP2 154 007 016 0.738 0.738 0.340 0035 LO2 128 005 012 0.340 0.559 LO2 161 005 014 0.559 0036

Figure 13.3 Example of the first page of a multi-page detail log listing report generated by a hand held scaling computer

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Figure 13.4 Example of a Scale Summary report generated by a hand held scaling computer

#### 13.2.3 Method

Weigh scaling may be used as a scaling method only where authorization has been granted by the Forest Management Branch. Also, the use of weighing devices for any commodity trading is subject to regulation by the Weights and Measures Act of Canada. This Act states that all weighing devices must be approved and certified prior to use. The Forest Management Branch may require, in the scale site conditions, proof that the weigh scale has been inspected and properly maintained to ensure accurate and consistent readings.

The weight of the load is determined by measuring and recording the gross weight and then subtracting from it the measured and recorded tare weight of the truck. If the gross measurement includes the weight of the driver, then the tare measurement must also include the weight of the driver. All trucks must have their tare weights measured and recorded for each load delivered and must not refuel between gross and tare measurements.

The weighing of each truckload of logs must be properly recorded and documented according to the scale site conditions. Each load of logs received by the scale site must be accompanied by a properly completed load receipt (see Figure 13.5). The Forest Management Branch may also require the scale operator to produce a weigh scale receipt (FR-344) for each load weighed (see Figure 13.6). This receipt contains all the necessary descriptive information about the load including the load receipt number and whether or not it was selected as a sample.

The scale site operator is also required to maintain a log of incoming loads weighed (daily/monthly load inventory). Refer to Section 15.8.1 for a list of all forms that must be completed on a monthly basis with respect to weigh scaling.

The mechanism for the random selection of sample loads must be approved by the Forest Management Branch. Two methods are available. The most commonly used method involves sample selection cards obtained from the Forest Management Branch. These cards are commonly referred to as 'bingo cards'. See Figure 13.7 for an illustrated example. The second method involves the use of a computer to capture weights from the weighing device. The Forest Management Branch must approve software utilized with this method.

The frequency at which sample loads are selected is determined by the stratification plan developed by the Forest Management Branch. To ensure the precision of weight/volume ratios, the Forest Management Branch will identify distinct strata for weigh scaling in Forest Districts where stands of trees scheduled for harvest vary in size, grade profile and species. Where stands are more homogeneous, one stratum will be used.

At least two factors are considered when setting a sampling frequency for a given weigh scale stratum. Variability in the profile of the wood in a stratum necessitates a larger number of samples to achieve the desired precision. On the other hand, greater consistency of the wood in the stratum will lead to less variation in the weight/volume ratio, which should lead to fewer samples being required.

It is also important to consider the volume of wood expected to be weighed in a given stratum. Lower volumes (fewer truckloads) will lead to a higher sampling frequency to secure a sufficient number of samples.

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Figure 13.5 Example of a properly documented Load Receipt

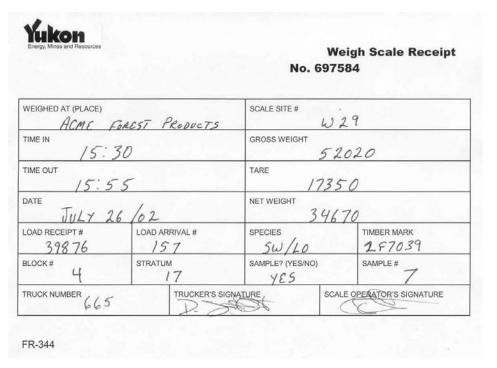


Figure 13.6 Example of a Weigh Scale Receipt (FR-344)

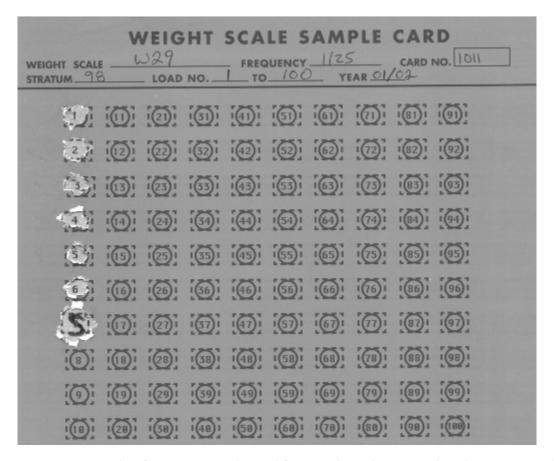


Figure 13.7 Example of a Bingo Card used for weigh scaling sample selection. Load number 7 is a sample.

# 13.2.3.1 Scaling of Sample Loads

Loads that are selected as samples are piece scaled as per the piece scaling procedure described earlier in this chapter. The schedule for the submission of sample scale tallies is included in Section 15.9.2. All sample scale tallies submitted must be accompanied by original copies of both load receipts and weigh scale receipts associated with the sample loads.

#### 13.2.3.2 Set Conversion

Where sufficient data exists, the Forest Management Branch may authorize weigh scaling where a set weight/volume conversion is utilized. In recent years, timber harvesting in the Yukon has primarily been limited to "Harvest Planning Areas" identified by the Forest Management Branch and Client Services and Inspections. These planning areas are, in some cases, small and localized enough that timber profiles do not vary significantly.

Weigh scale data for a given harvest area may show a great deal of consistency over several months or possibly years. Where this is the case, a permit holder may make a request to the Forest Management Branch to use a set conversion rate which will be used for billing purposes for all wood that is weigh scaled. Where the Forest Management Branch authorizes this procedure, the weight/volume ratio and grade profile to be used will be provided by the Forest Management Branch. The Forest Management Branch will also set the conditions for the use of this procedure.

# 13.3 Stack Scaling Cut to Length

The Forest Management Branch recognizes that piece scaling and weigh scaling is not always practical or feasible for small sawmill operators. Stack scaling is recognized as an alternate scaling method for small volume round wood permits. This method does not allow for firmwood deductions or grade deductions.

# 13.3.1 Application

This method may be used for Class D or other fuelwood permits, and round wood permits (other than Class H) whose total round wood volume does not exceed 1,000 m<sup>3</sup> per year, and for deciduous timber permits of any volume.

### 13.3.2 Summary of Method

Logs of uniform length are piled into a neat deck, or series of decks. Several measurements are taken to determine the average dimensions of each deck. A factor of 0.625 is then applied to the stacked volume of the deck to establish the net firmwood volume of the deck, less air and bark. Where fuelwood is being scaled using this method, volume may be estimated as number of cords, then converted to cubic meters.

# 13.3.3 Method (For Round Wood)

Where the stack scaling method is used to scale round wood, decks must be neat and uniform in shape. Logs are required to be bucked to a consistent length. The Forest Management Branch may restrict the length to which logs are bucked.

A number of measurements are taken to determine the average dimensions of a deck. Figure 13.8 shows the necessary measurements to be determined. Height measurements are taken at 2m intervals over the length of the deck and are recorded to the nearest 0.1 m. As shown in Figure 13.9, length and height measurements are related to one another. In most cases, it is necessary to 'square off' sloping ends of decks. Height measurements should only be taken within the boundaries of the determined length.

All height measurements taken, on both ends of the deck, must be used to calculate an overall average height for the deck. All measurements are recorded on the FR-380. The net firmwood volume is also calculated on this form (see Figure 13.10 for an example of this form).

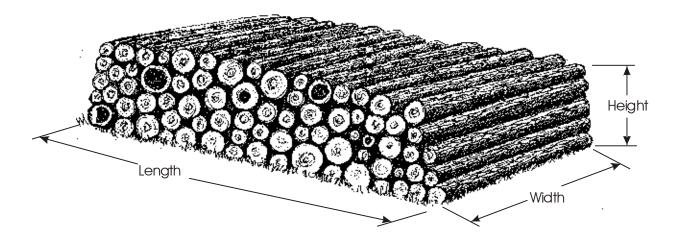


Figure 13.8 The volume of the deck is determined by measuring the length, width and average height and then multiplying by a factor of 0.625.

Where timber is bucked into logs of uniform length, odd size tops will result. These pieces must also be accounted for in the process of scaling. These pieces are piled into a deck or a series of decks in which log ends are aligned on one end of each deck (see Figure 13.11). As shown in the diagram, the scaler must estimate the average length of the deck. Once again, height measurements are taken at 2 m intervals within the boundaries of the determined length after 'squaring off' the ends of the deck. Measurements of these decks, along with net firmwood volumes are also recorded on the FR-380.

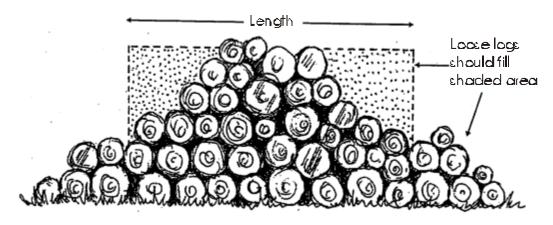


Figure 13.9 Where the shape of a deck is not perfectly rectangular, it is necessary to square off the ends



# Stack Scale Tally Sheet

Permit Holder	MITH	Perm	it#2001	F1099	0	District HAINES JUNCTION	Deck#
Scaler Name MARTHA ToHI	USON)	Scale Yo		Tally # 2 3		Date Scaled	TULY 29/02
Ave. Height	Width		Length		Facto	r	Volume
2.4 Meters X	5.0 Me	ters X	8.3	Meters X	0.62	<u>5</u> =	62.25 m <sup>3</sup>
Height Measurements  2.3  2.2		2.6	2.4				
Scaler's Signature	Marth	a	John	son			

FR-380

Figure 13.10 Example of a FR-380 used to record net firmwood volume of a deck of wood which has been stack scaled

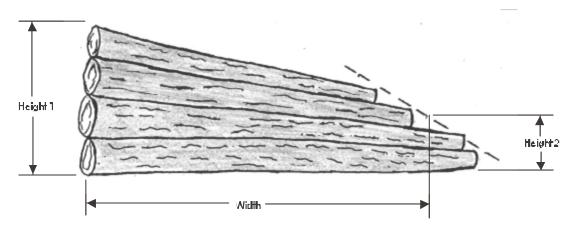


Figure 13.11 When measuring the width of decks containing odd length pieces, the height measurement should be taken at the point where the average length is estimated

### 13.3.4 Method (For Fuelwood)

A scaler's licence and authorization is not required for stack scaling fuelwood. The permit holder may estimate volumes independently.

First, the number of cords must be estimated. As shown in Figure 13.12, one cord is equal to a deck whose stacked volume is equal to 128 ft<sup>3</sup>, or more simply, whose overall dimensions are 4ft x 4ft x 8ft. The conversion factor used by the Forest Management Branch, for the purpose of converting cords to cubic metres, is 2.265. That is, one cord is equal to 2.265 m3.

The Forest Management Branch Commercial Fuelwood Monthly Invoice (FR-311), as shown in Figure 13.13, guides the permit holder through the process of converting volumes in cords to cubic metres. For the purpose of scaling fuelwood, it is not necessary to fill out a FR-380 (Stack Scale Tally Sheet).

The FR-315 (See Figure 13.14) is used to report volumes cut under a fuelwood permit that has been prepaid.

### 1 cord = 2.265 m<sup>3</sup>

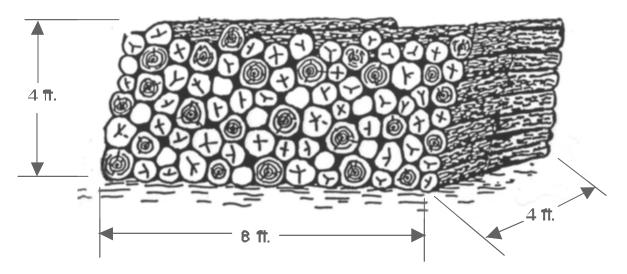


Figure 13.12 Dimensions of a cord of fuelwood

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Monthly Commercia	l Fuelwoo	od Stumpage Due	S	
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				\$ 1 03
5 x 2.2	65	= <u>//. 325</u> m <sup>3</sup>	x rate \$ . 25 /m <sup>3</sup> =	2.83
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Figure 13.13 FR-311, Monthly return for Commercial Fuelwood

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Figure 13.14 FR-315 Commercial fuelwood yearly timber return summary

# 13.4 Stack Scaling Stem Length

This is the least accurate of the scaling methods discussed in this manual.

### 13.4.1 Application

This method may be used for deciduous permits of any volume. It may also be used, with the authorization of the Forest Management Branch, for round wood permits (other than Class H) whose total volume does not exceed 1,000 m³ per year. This may only be used where a more accurate scaling method is not practical. A request for authorization to use this scaling method may be refused where there is high variability in the lengths of logs harvested or where timber profiles exhibit a large amount of taper. Authorization may also be refused where the timber value is higher than normal, such as Class E or F permits which may be charged stumpage rates higher than those for other classes of permits.

# 13.4.2 Summary of Method

Several measurements are taken to estimate the average dimensions of the deck. A factor is then applied to estimate the net firmwood volume of the deck.

### 13.4.3 Method

Logs to be measured using this method must be arranged in very orderly decks. As with stack scaling cut to length wood, height measurements are taken at 2 m intervals over the length of the deck. Where this method is used, decks will often be sloping with logs arranged such that most log butts are on one end. Where a deck is sloping significantly it is important to note that the height measurement is taken at the exact location where the average length is determined (see Figure 13.11). A factor of 0.625 will be used to convert stacked volumes to solid cubic metre volumes.

### 13.4.4 Additional Consideration

Due to the potential of high variability in volumes measured using this method, conditions may be set in the conditions of a scale site's authorization or in a permit's scaling terms and conditions to ensure this method is used in a very controlled fashion and to ensure accountability for all trees harvested.

### 13.5 Top Scaling

Top scaling is also recognized by the Forest Management Branch as an acceptable scaling method for small volume round wood permits.

# 13.5.1 Application

This method may be used to scale logs on round wood permits, other than Class H, for volumes not exceeding than 1,000 m³ per year, and may also be used for deciduous timber. Authorization must be obtained from the Forest Management Branch. This method may only be used in areas where the Forest Management Branch has sufficient data to determine log taper.

# 13.5.2 Summary of Method

This scaling method involves measuring only the top diameter of the log as well as the length. The butt diameter of the log is calculated using the measured length and the taper of the log. Log taper values are supplied by the Forest Management Branch.

### 13.5.3 Method

This method helps to avoid incorrect butt diameters caused by measuring in the flare of the log.

Log lengths and inside the bark top diameters are measured as per Chapter 10. Firmwood deductions are measured and calculated as per Chapters 2 through 9.

Measurements are recorded on the FR-358 (Figure 13.1) along with calculated log volumes. The formula that is used to calculate butt diameters is as follows:

$$B = \frac{L}{(P \times 10)} + T$$

Where B = Butt diameter (rads)

L = Length (decimeters)

P = Log taper (metres/rad)

T = Top diameter (rads)

### Example:

$$\frac{\text{Species}}{\text{Sw}} \quad \frac{\text{Length}}{100 \text{ dm}} \quad \frac{\text{Top}}{5 \text{ rads}} \quad \frac{\text{Taper}}{2.5 \text{ m/rad}}$$

$$L = 100 \text{ dm}$$

$$P = 2.5 \text{ m/rad}$$

$$T = 5 \text{ rads}$$

$$B = \frac{100 \text{ dm}}{(2.5 \text{ m/rad x } 10 \text{ dm/m})} + 5 \text{ rads}$$

### 13.6 Piece Count

9 rads

 $\mathbf{B} =$ 

In accordance with the Yukon Timber Regulation, Class H permits are not billed according to volume, but rather, by number of trees cut. This method is also available to Government employees for the purpose of estimating log volumes.

### 13.6.1 Application

This scaling method is used for Class H permits and may also be used by Government employees where a more accurate scaling method is not practical.

### 13.6.2 Summary of Method

The pieces harvested under a Class H permit are counted and recorded on the FR-385. Where a Government employee is estimating volumes, an average piece volume is determined and applied to the number of pieces counted to estimate total volume.

#### 13.6.3 Method

In accordance with the Yukon Timber Regulation, wood cut under a Class H permit is billed on a per tree rate, regardless of volume. The trees harvested are simply counted and recorded on the FR-385 (see Figure 13.15 for an example).

In some cases, it is necessary for a Government employee to estimate volumes of unscaled wood. Where a more accurate method of scaling is not available, the piece count method may be used. Several pieces are measured to establish an average piece volume. A sufficient number of pieces must be measured, in proportion to the size classes that exist in the overall volume, to calculate an estimated average piece volume. This calculated average volume is then applied to the number of trees counted to estimate the total volume.

### 13.7 Standing Tree Measurement

Under specific circumstances it may be desirable to measure tree volumes prior to harvest rather than after. For example, billing volumes for land clearing operations where not all logs will be forwarded to designated scale sites will be more accurately calculated using this method. Also, where the holder of a round wood permit has no practical means with which to conduct a post harvest scale of logs, the permittee may apply for authorization to use this method.

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Figure 13.15 Example of a FR-385 used to record number of trees harvested under a Class H permit

# 13.7.1 Application

This method may be used where other more accurate scaling methods are not available and timber removal is being carried out under one of the following circumstances:

- For the clearing of fireguards, or rights of way (e.g.- utility access, pipelines, roads)
- For the clearing of land being developed for agricultural or industrial use
- For the clearing of land for the purpose of gravel removal or mineral extraction
- For round wood patch cuts not exceeding 5 hectares in size

While this method is intended for use by the Forest Management Branch staff, non-government individuals may apply for authorization from the Director of the Forest Management Branch.

The Forest Management Branch does not currently have a certification process for timber cruising. Applicants must have previous experience and must be able to demonstrate adequate knowledge in timber cruising. The individual must also apply to the Forest Management Branch for Acting Scaler Authorization (see Section 15.5) if he or she does not hold a valid Yukon Scaling Licence.

### 13.7.2 Method

The method used must be approved by the Director of the Forest Management Branch.