Construction Worksite Assessment Checklist

General Safety

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is this the only worksite at which the student will				
work? (if others, note in comment section)				
Are weather conditions considered as part of job site				
safety? (e.g. roof/scaffold work postponed in rainy or				
windy weather)				
Are there Heat Stress Procedures in place to prevent				
heat exhaustion?				
Are there Cold Stress Procedures in place to prevent				
hypothermia, frostbite, etc?				
Are employees wearing PPE?				
Head protection (e.g. hard hats)				
Safety glasses				
Hearing protection				
Respirators				
Gloves				
Kneepads				
Foot protection (e.g. Steel-toed boots/shoes—not				
observable)				
If there are forklifts onsite, do all operators have				
current training? Note: It is prohibited for persons under 18				
to drive or ride on forklifts.				

Falls from Heights

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is fall protection equipment provided for workers?				
(e.g. harness, guard rail, safety net)				
Does scaffolding appear to be in good condition?				
Do elevated work/storage platforms (including				
scaffolds) have guardrails?				
Are ladders readily available for use?				
Are ladders in good condition? (e.g., no missing				
rungs)				
Are ladders in use set up and secured on even				
surfaces, and footed when necessary?				
Is use of fall protection equipment enforced?				
Are scaffolds inspected regularly?				
Is fall protection equipment inspected regularly?				

Electrical

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is the floor/ground area clear of electrical cords?				
Are metal ladders and scaffolds prohibited in areas				
with energized parts of equipment, fixtures, and				
circuit conductors? (includes overhead power lines)				
Are GFCI's (ground-fault circuit interrupters) used				
where construction, demolition, modification,				
alteration or excavation work is being performed?				
Are all circuit panels accessible? (not blocked)				
Are there lockout/tagout procedures in place for				
electrical work?				
Are workers prohibited from "working live" (with				
energized wires)?				

Tools and Machinery

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is there enough space around machines for				
operators to perform work without injury, and for				
others to avoid interfering with operators?				
Do tools and equipment appear to be in good				
condition? (free of burn marks, not bent, etc.)				
Are handheld tools and equipment unplugged when not in use in the field?				
Are hand tools padded?				
Are there guards on power saws, grinders, and similar equipment?				
Is use of nail guns with contact trip (touch sensitive) triggers avoided?				
Do machines have emergency stops/shut-offs?				
Do saws (planer, table, etc.) have magnetic restarts, to prevent them from automatically restarting after a power outage?				
Are there lockout/tagout procedures in place for machinery?				
Are tables/workstations height adjustable, for welding, assembly work, etc.?				
Are tools inspected regularly?				

Wood Dust, Lead and Other Chemicals

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Do tools and machines have dust collectors?				
Is the area free of accumulated wood dust or metal				
shavings? (potential fire hazard)				
For indoor settings, is fresh air provided?				
Are flammable substances (paint, gasoline, etc.) in				
fireproof containers?				
Are flammable substances stored away from				
possible igniting elements or surfaces?				
Are gas-powered tools, such as portable generators,				
always used OUTSIDE and away from windows,				
doors and vents?				
(potential carbon monoxide poisoning)				
For work involving cement/concrete/grout, are wet				
cutting practices in place, or local exhaust				
ventilation used?				
(potential silica and/or asbestos exposure)				
For work on structures built prior to 1978, are				
precautions taken to prevent lead exposure?				
Note: It is prohibited for persons under 18 to perform				
renovation work involving potential lead exposure.				
For any worksite containing asbestos, have				
identifying signs and labels been attached or posted				
so all employees know to avoid these materials?				
For any work on structures that may contain asbestos, are precautions taken to prevent exposure?				
Note: It is prohibited for persons under 18 to perform				
renovation, repair, or demolition of asbestos-containing				
material.				
Is there a flammable storage permit? (For stationary				
business/establishment worksites)				