



This training course cover all modules required for the safe operation of a chainsaw including working safely, maintenance of the chainsaw and cutting system, operational chainsaw checks, legislation and industry good practice and cross-cutting timber with a chainsaw. Felling and processing trees up to 380mm will also be covered and removing branches from felled trees and taking down hung up trees.

PRE-REQUISITES

None

DURATION

5 days training and independent assessment

QUALIFICATION

City & Guilds (L2) Award in Chainsaw Maintenance, Crosscutting & Felling Small Trees Up To 380mm (20-12)

COST

£650.00 +VAT

CHAINSAW MAINTENANCE

CROSS CUTTING & FELLING TREES UP TO 380MM

THE COURSE COVERS

All objectives for Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-cutting which are as follows:

- State and identify the necessary personal protective equipment required, report on its condition and locate the various standard marks
- State and identify required health & safety features on a chainsaw
- Identify faults and defects on a chainsaw and cutting equipment and decide which the operator can remedy, and which require a service engineer's attention.
- Select and identify correct tools to enable maintenance to be carried out and report on their serviceability.
- Carry out correctly all routine maintenance in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction book and/or the Lantra Awards workbook
- Prepare the chainsaw for use with the correct fuel/oil mix and chain lubrication.
- Start the chainsaw from both cold and hot in a safe manner
- Carry out pre-cutting safety tests and state the procedures if the chainsaw fails these tests
- State the possible hazards/risks when carrying out maintenance or operational tasks
- Cross-cut timber accurately to required lengths
- Assess and explain the terms 'tension' and 'compression' in timber
- Adopt safe procedures to remove a trapped guide bar
- Handle and stack timber in a safe manner
- Organise site safety and state the precautions required
- Identify types of timber, potential hazards and stresses, correctly assess if timber is in compression or tension, and select the appropriate technique to deal with the particular situation correctly
- Assess the situation prior to free felling a straight open grown tree up to a maximum of 380mm diameter, and with the aid of wedges and/or a felling lever, fell it in a chosen direction
- Remove limbs from felled trees and cross cut, handle and stack timber in a safe and efficient manner
- Take down hung up trees using hand tools
- Recognise situations where specialist help is required



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