

Chainsaw – Maintenance & Cross Cutting

This course aims to allow current and potential chainsaw operators to gain the industry-wide and accepted NPTC accreditation with an independent assessment to confirm safety and competence.

Course Content

- Current Health & Safety legislation
- Risk assessment and emergency procedures
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Select and prepare tools/equipment required for safe & effective felling
- Fell small trees safely & accurately using an appropriate technique
- Take down small hung up trees safely using appropriate hand tools
- Shredding / De-limbing techniques
- Crosscut stems accurately & safely to a given length & diameter specification
- Stack timber

Course Requirements

You are required to provide your own Tools & Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for this training course.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

- Safety helmet (complying with EN 397)
- Eye protection (mesh visor complying with EN 1731 or safety glasses to EN 166)
- Hearing protection (complying with EN 352)
- Gloves* with protective guarding on the back of the left hand (complying with EN 381-7)
- Leg protection* incorporating chain clogging materials (complying with EN 381-5)
- Protective boots* with good grip and protective guarding on the front vamp and instep (complying with EN 345-2)

*These items should carry the chainsaw logo

- We also recommend you dress appropriately for weather conditions.

Tools:

- Chainsaw (maximum guide bar length 15")
- Fuel
- Bio-degradable Oil
- Toolkit
- Suitable winch & attachments
- Personal first aid kit
- Whistle

On site delivery:

- The course will start in the classroom on day one then move to a workshop. On day two, time will be spent logging up a tree: Please have available 24 x 2 metre x 30/45cm lengths of timber (or equivalent).
- Please note that the training site and equipment must be compliant with Health and Safety standards.