

Course Title:	Chainsaw Maintenance, Crosscutting & Felling Trees up to 380mm
Duration:	5 days training. 1 day City & Guilds NPTC Assessment (completed approx. one week after the course to encourage consolidation and practice)
Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Venue:	This is normally completed on a MWMAC site in Rhayader. <i>If you have enough people for a full course we are able, in some instances, to run this course on your site (subject to a pre-course visit).</i>
Attendees:	Max. number per course = 4
Objectives	<p>Candidates should achieve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the regulations & safety requirements related to the use of chainsaws and industry good practice. • To understand how to and to be able to prepare and maintain the chainsaw and cutting system for use. • To be able to carry out operational chainsaw checks • To crosscut timber to specified standards of accuracy using safe efficient techniques. • To present produce as specified for subsequent extraction or loading • To fell, safely and accurately, trees up to guide bar length in diameter (380mm). • To remove branches from felled trees, using a chainsaw (sned), to specified standards of safety & quality. • To use appropriate aid tools & techniques for take down of lodged trees and for directional felling. • To be able to work safely.
Equipment:	<p>Chainsaw:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum guide-bar length : 15" <input type="checkbox"/> Chain protection guard <input type="checkbox"/> Regulation fuel & oil can, with fuel and oil! <input type="checkbox"/> Spare chain <input type="checkbox"/> spare plug, spark plug gauge, starter spring & cord, sprocket and clutch spring (Optional) <p>Field kit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Combination spanner / screwdriver <input type="checkbox"/> File guide, file & handle (to match chain cutter type) <input type="checkbox"/> Fencing staple (or measuring calipers) <input type="checkbox"/> Flat file with handle <input type="checkbox"/> Depth gauge setting tool <input type="checkbox"/> Bar groove scraper

<p>Equipment:</p>	<p>Field Kit Continued:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Grease gun (for bar and clutch) <input type="checkbox"/> Carburetor screwdriver <input type="checkbox"/> Allen key or appropriate tools for nuts and bolts on saw <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning brush & rag <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning brush & rag <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer's handbook <input type="checkbox"/> Stump vice (Optional) <input type="checkbox"/> Loggers tape <p>Felling Aids:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Small</i> Alloy or Nylon wedge <input type="checkbox"/> Breaking bar / Cant hook <input type="checkbox"/> Log lifting tongs (small) with holster <p>Protective Clothing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Safety helmet complying with EN397 <input type="checkbox"/> Eye Protection (Mesh visor complying with EN1731) <input type="checkbox"/> Ear Defenders complying with EN352 <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves (complying with EN381-7 if Chainsaw Gloves) <input type="checkbox"/> Chainsaw Trousers complying with EN381-5 <input type="checkbox"/> Chainsaw boots / Chainsaw Wellingtons with good grip complying with BN EN20345 <input type="checkbox"/> Personal First Aid Kit for belt or pocket including Large wound dressing and whistle <input type="checkbox"/> High-Visibility Jacket or Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Wet weather jacket, close fitting (if appropriate)
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