

Course Title:	Chainsaw Maintenance & Operations – Occasional User
Who is this course for?	<p>Chainsaws are powerful and dangerous tools, therefore it is essential when operating and maintaining them that you have total confidence and expertise in what you are doing, so avoiding accidents. This two day chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting course for occasional users will provide you with the appropriate techniques and safety guidelines to ensure that you are not only confident when using a chainsaw but also aware of relevant health and safety guidelines making sure you stay protected.</p> <p><i>NB - If you are using a chainsaw in a professional capacity it is recommended you complete the Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-cutting training course</i></p>
Duration:	2 days training with integrated City & Guilds NPTC Assessment. (if you are up to standard during the 3 days you will receive the qualification)
Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Venue:	<p>This is normally completed on a MWMAC site in Rhayader.</p> <p><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></p>
Attendees:	Max. number per course = 4
Objectives	<p>Candidates should achieve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the necessary personal protective equipment required, report on its condition and locate the various standard marks • Identify required safety and health features on a chainsaw • 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 • Organise site safety and state the procedures required • 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 all routine maintenance in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction book and/or the Lantra Awards workbook • 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.

<p>Equipment:</p>	<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>Maintenance 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 callipers) <input type="checkbox"/> Flat file with handle <input type="checkbox"/> Depth gauge setting tool <input type="checkbox"/> Bar groove scraper <input type="checkbox"/> Grease gun (for bar and clutch) <input type="checkbox"/> Carburettor screwdriver <input type="checkbox"/> Allen key or appropriate tools for nuts and bolts on saw <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"/> 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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