

FORESTRY & ARBORICULTURE | FELLING AND PROCESSING TREES UP TO 380MM

4 Day training followed by half day City & Guilds NPTC assessment. Designed for novice operators who operate chainsaws for felling trees in amenity or arboricultural activities, which will involve felling small trees of height between 8" and 15" safely and accurately, removing branches, crosscutting stems, stacking timber and taking down hung-up trees with hand tools. This course prepares the candidates to take an assessment for NPTC Level 2 Units 203 or formerly known as CS31.

COURSE CONTENT

- Identify the risk assessment and Emergency procedures on a work site
- Select and prepare equipment required for safe and effective felling.
- Fell small trees safely and accurately using an appropriate method
- Fell leaning trees using a safe technique
- Remove branches safely in a manner appropriate to the branching habit
- Crosscut stems accurately and safely to a given length and diameter
- Stack timber using appropriate manual handling techniques
- Take down small hung up trees safely using appropriate hand tools

BY THE END OF THE COURSE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO

Successful candidates can progress to the CS32 - Felling Medium Sized Trees

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Protective Equipment:

- Chainsaw boots (EN 17249), Chainsaw gloves (EN 381-7), Chainsaw helmet with visor and ear muffs (EN 397/14052/12492)
- Chainsaw trousers (all round protection is preferred Type C (EN 381-5)
- Personal First Aid Kit
- A waterproof coat and over-trousers (course will continue even in rain)



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Chainsaw Equipment:

- Serviceable chainsaw, chain with cutters of sufficient length to allow for sharpening (recommended 15 inch guide bar)
- Combination spanner, Guide bar scraper, Round file of appropriate size with handle for sharpening chain
- File guide (roller or other), Flat file with handle for depth gauges, Depth gauge setting tool, Clean brush for air filter cleaning
- Chain oil and Fuel
- Felling bar, Wedge, Lifting tongs / hooks, tape measure for measuring timber

PRE-REQUISITES: Candidates must be over 16 years & hold Chainsaw Maintenance and Crosscutting 201 & 202 (CS30)

FURTHER INFORMATION: www.nptc.org.uk All of our courses can be accredited by either NPTC or LANTRA, depending on the level of accreditation you require

PROGRESSION COURSE SUGGESTIONS:

- Chainsaw Maintenance and Crosscutting Refresher
- Felling & Processing of Trees Refresher
- Climb Trees and Perform Aerial Rescue
- Operate a Chainsaw from Rope & Harness
- Safe Use of Mobile Elevated Work Platform
- Manually Fed Brushwood Chipper
- Powered Pole Pruner
- Safe Use of Brushcutters



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