

Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-cutting Refresher



At a glance...

Training (with Assessment) Competence with Modules

Duration Notes:	1 day
Delivery Method:	Theory/practical
Prerequisites:	You must have completed a Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-Cutting course before attending the refresher.

Introduction

Keep your chainsaw skills up to date with our refresher course.

Overview in brief

The chainsaw is one of the most useful - and powerful - tools used across any number of industries.

But it is also one of the most dangerous.

This is a hands-on course that delivers both practical skills and health and safety guidance as well as demonstrating that you and your employer have completed sufficient training to meet the **Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998 (PUWER)**.

The finer details

Our instructors will guide you through a balanced mix of theoretical and practical sessions.

You'll work on a number of appropriate techniques and safety guidelines. Key maintenance issues will be covered.



You'll also go over cross-cutting, handling and stacking timber.



Course sessions:

- HSE legislation and safety guidelines
- Overview of the chainsaw and maintenance equipment
- Maintaining the saw chain
- Maintaining the guide bar
- Power unit maintenance
- Starting the chainsaw and pre-cutting tests
- Cross-cutting timber.

Worth noting: Our course involves some physical sessions, so it is essential that you have at least a minimum level of fitness.

What will be covered?

By the end of the course, you'll be able to:

- 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.

