# **Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-cutting**

#### AIMS

Learn the basics of non-professional chainsaw operation. This course is a perfect introduction to expertly handling and maintaining a chainsaw.

# **CLIENT GROUP**

This course is suitable for anyone working or looking to work in industries such as Agriculture, Horticulture, Woodland, Local authorities, Conservation, Construction or Land-based. Due to the nature of the training, a minimum level of fitness will be required for specific operations. Whilst we would not want to disadvantage you as a learner, it is an essential requirement. Candidates must be 16 years or older.

## **COURSE CONTENT**

- Identify the necessary personal protective equipment required, report on its condition and locate the various standard marks
- Identify required helath and safety 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
- Carry out alll routine maintenance in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction book
- Cross-cut timer 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

# **DURATION**

2 Days with additional time required for assessments.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

Inverness College UHI (ICUHI) reserves the right to cancel or defer the dates of the courses. In the event of ICUHI cancelling a course, learners will be deferred to another (scheduled ICUHI) course or given a full refund if ICUHI are unable to provide a course on dates suitable to the learner. In the event of cancellation of a course by the learner or their representative, the following charges will apply:

More than 28 days - 0%

14-28 days - 25%

1-14 days - 50%

No notice or non-attendance without notice – 100%

ICUHI reserves the right to charge a cancellation fee of £40 if the learner or their representative cancels (refund terms above). Cancellations can be advised to ICUHI by telephone but must be confirmed in writing, either by post or email to:

business.ic@uhi.ac.uk

Refunds are calculated from the date of the written confirmation of the cancellation being received by ICUHI.

Learner deferral requests must be received no later than 10 working days prior to the course start date, otherwise the above £40 administration fee will apply. ICUHI will make all reasonable attempts to defer the learner to a suitable ICUHI course, but deferral requests are at the discretion of ICUHI as are any refunds after deferral requests. All awarding body costs arising from the learner deferral request must be met by the learner.



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