



TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES

2012 SPRING PROGRAMME ¹

GROUND BASED CHAINSAW COURSES

- ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Basic Chainsaw CS30/31</u>	Maintenance, safety and felling tree up to guidebar length (380mm/15"). Covers snedding, crosscutting and hand takedown techniques for dealing with hung up trees. Training and assessment for NPTC Units CS 30 and 31. Takes six days in total. £695 per trainee	Training: 12th – 16th Dec 2011 Assessed: 19th OR 20th Dec 2011
		Training: 16th – 20th January 2012 Assessed: 23rd OR 24th Jan 2012
		Training: 27th Feb – 2nd March 2012 Assessed: 5th OR 6th March 2012
		Training: 16th – 20th April 2012 Assessed: 23rd OR 24th April 2012
		Training: 21st – 25th May 2012 Assessed: 29th OR 30th May 2012
		Training: 25th – 29th June 2012 Assessed: 2nd OR 3rd July 2012

¹ All prices listed are exclusive of VAT. (Training at 20%, assessments zero rated)

Maintenance and Crosscutting CS30

Maintenance of the chainsaw and crosscutting of timber. Training and assessment for NPTC Unit CS 30. This unit will allow you to progress through the NPTC range once it is successfully completed
£350

Training:
14th – 15th February 2012
Assessed:
16th OR 17th February 2012

Felling Small Trees CS31

Felling trees up to guidebar length (380mm/15"). Covers snedding, crosscutting and hand takedown techniques for dealing with hung up trees. Training and assessment for NPTC Unit CS 31. Candidates must already hold NPTC units 30.

Training:
19th – 21st March 2012
Assessed:
22nd March 2012

£395 per trainee

Felling Medium Sized Trees CS32

Felling of trees up to twice guidebar length (760mm/30") in diameter. The course requires the pre-requisite units CS 30 and CS31. The course covers felling, snedding, takedown of hung up trees with hand winches. The training takes 3 days with a further day for the NPTC assessment.

Training:
30th Jan – 1st February 2012
Assessed:
2nd OR 3rd February 2012

Training:
10th April – 2nd May 2012
Assessed:
3rd OR 4th May 2012

£475 per trainee

Felling Large Trees CS33

Currently unavailable assessment; though likely to return. CS32, at this time, has no upper diameter limit. Meaning this unit isn't required.
£395 per trainee

Training:
No dates at this time.

**Sever
Individual
Windblown
Trees
CS34**

Training and assessment in the clearing of individual wind thrown trees, which still have the root plates attached. This is an advanced course and applicants must already hold CS 32 (Felling Medium Size Trees) Price includes assessment for NPTC unit CS 34 Process individual windblown Trees.

£295 per trainee.

Training:
9th February 2012
Assessed:
10th February 2012

Training:
4th June 2012
Assessed:
5th June 2012

**Techniques
for dealing
with storm
damaged
trees**

New fast-track route to dealing with blown trees. Essentially the old CS34 module (but limited to trees under 18" dia), where candidates must sever blown trees, restrain rootplates with winches, fell leaning trees and trees with broken crowns. Includes NPTC assessment for CS50. Candidates must already hold CS31. (NOTE: no need to hold CS32)

£375/candidate

Training:
12th – 13th March 2012
Assessed:
14th OR 15th March
2012

**Powered Pole
Pruners
CS48**

Covers maintenance, starting procedures, pruning cuts, PPE and safety considerations.

Includes assessment for NPTC Unit CS 48. Candidates must already hold Unit CS30 as this is a shortened course/assessment.

£225 per trainee.

Training:
10th November 2011
Assessed:
11th November 2011

Training:
20th February 2012
Assessed:
21st February 2012

Training:
7th June 2012
Assessed:
8th June 2012

GROUND BASED CHAINSAW COURSES – NOT ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>ITA Chainsaw Maintenance & Crosscutting</u>	<p>Training and integrated assessment covering basic maintenance and crosscutting skills. Aimed at the occasional user. There is NO progression route, from the LANTRA occasional user scheme. No prerequisites for attendance.</p> <p>£245 per trainee</p>	<p>Training: 27th – 28th October 2011</p> <p>Training: 8th – 9th March 2012</p>
<u>ITA Fell Small Trees</u>	<p>Training and integrated assessment covering skills required to fell small trees (up to 8" diameter). Aimed at the occasional user. There is NO progression route, from the LANTRA occasional user scheme. Candidates must already hold the Lantra Maintenance and crosscutting ITA.</p> <p>£245 per trainee</p>	<p>Training: 3rd – 4th November 2011</p> <p>Training: 10th – 11th May 2012</p>
<u>Maintenance, Crosscutting and Felling Small Trees UPDATE.</u>	<p>Lantra update training covering current maintenance, crosscutting and felling skills. Meets HSE recommendations for skills refreshing. Candidates must already hold CS 30 & 31.</p> <p>£340 per trainee</p>	<p>Training: 6th – 8th December 2011</p> <p>Training: 26th – 28th March 2012</p>

OFF GROUND ARBORICULTURAL COURSES – ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Climb Trees and Perform Aerial Rescue (Old CS38)</u>	Learn up to date climbing techniques and keep up to date with current legislation relating to climbing and the use of modern rope access and rescue techniques. Assessment for NPTC Award Climb Trees and Perform Aerial Rescue (Formerly CS Unit 38). £695 per trainee	<p>Training: 28th Nov – 2nd Dec 2011</p> <p>Assessed: 5th OR 6th Dec 2011</p> <p>Training: 16th – 20th Jan 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 23rd OR 24th Jan 2012</p> <p>Training: 12th – 16th March 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 19th OR 20th March 2012</p> <p>Training: 11th – 15th June 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 18th OR 19th June 2012</p>
<u>Chainsaw from a Rope and Harness CS39</u>	Training in the safe use of chainsaws while working from a rope and harness. This two-day course will provide you with the safe pruning skills required to sit the NPTC Unit CS 39 test. Candidates must already hold NPTC units 30, 31 and 38. £395 per trainee	<p>Training: 5th – 6th Dec 2011</p> <p>Assessed: 7th OR 8th Dec 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)</p> <p>Training: 21st – 22nd February 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 23rd OR 24th Feb 2012</p> <p>Training: 14th – 15th May 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 16th OR 17th May 2012</p>
<u>Pruning Operations CS40</u>	Covers the use of chainsaws and other pruning tools from a rope and harness in open grown trees. With emphasis on Crown thinning and Crown reduction operations to BS3998 standards. Candidates must already hold CS 39. The fee includes assessment for NPTC Unit CS40 £595 per trainee	<p>Training: 9th – 13th April 2012</p> <p>Assessed: 16th OR 17th April 2012</p> <p>More dates available on request</p>

**Dismantling
Operations
CS41**

Learn how to deal with tree removals in confined spaces and over vulnerable structures. An introduction to modern, efficient rigging techniques.

Candidates must already hold NPTC Units CS 31 and CS 39. Training and assessment for NPTC Unit CS41.

£ 795 per trainee

**Training:
12th – 16th December
2011
Assessed:
19th OR 20th December
2011**

**Training:
26th – 30th March 2012
Assessed:
2nd OR 3rd April 2012**

**Training:
25th – 29th June 2012
Assessed:
2nd OR 3rd July 2012**

ARBORICULTURAL MACHINERY COURSES

- ASSESSED

("training only" can be provided if required)

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Brushwood Chipper AO6</u>	<p>Instruction to maintenance, transportation, starting/stopping and feeding of brushwood chippers. Clarification of current legislation and required safety features. Includes assessment for NPTC Unit "Operate Brushwood Chipper."</p> <p>£195 per trainee</p>	<p>Training: 1st Nov 2011 Assessed: 2nd Nov 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)</p> <p>Training: 12th January 2012 Assessed: 13th January 2012</p> <p>Training: 4th April 2012 Assessed: 5th April 2012</p> <p>Training: 18th June 2012 Assessed: 19th June 2012</p>
<u>Stump Grinders AO 7</u>	<p>Instruction on, maintenance, transportation, starting/stopping and operation of stump grinders. Clarification of current legislation and required safety features. Includes assessment for NPTC Unit AO 7. Two day course costs,</p> <p>£245 per candidate.</p>	<p>Training: 13th Dec 2011 Assessed: 14th Dec 2011</p> <p>Training: 6th February 2012 Assessed: 7th February 2012</p> <p>Training: 21st June 2012 Assessed: 22nd June 2012</p>

ARBORICULTURAL MACHINERY COURSES

- NOT ASSESSED

(assessment can be provided if required)

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Trimmers and Brushcutters</u>	LANTRA registered training course in use of trimmers, brushcutters and Clearing saws. Course includes, routine maintenance, starting procedures and safe use of trimmers/saws. . Course includes integrated assessment and LANTRA certification.	Dates available on request
	£225 per trainee.	

TREE INSPECTION TRAINING

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Basic Tree Survey</u>	This new LANTRA award provides guidance on data collection and hazard awareness while surveying trees. The first national certificate (LANTRA ITA) in tree surveying ever available. One day course aimed at non arborists and arborists alike.	Training: 24th Nov 2011
	£95 per trainee.	Training: 19th December 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)
		Training: 23rd March 2012
		Training: 18th May 2012
<u>Professional Tree Survey and Inspection</u>	This LANTRA national award is available to demonstrate competence in professional tree inspection. A very demanding course with end on assessment, suited to experienced arborists.	Training: 21st – 23rd November 2011
	£245 per trainee	Training: 25th – 27th April 2012
		Training: 26th – 28th September 2012

**Professional
Tree
Inspection
Re-
Assessment**

**Bespoke one day course
recapping
PTI course content and with
Lantra re-assessment.
Content will largely be
determined by candidates.
£190 per trainee.**

**Training:
31st May 2012**

RE-ASSESSMENT/ASSESSMENT ONLY PROVISION

Assessment Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
NPTC CS 30	Re-assessment of unit £145	Dates available on request.
NPTC CS 31	Re-assessment of unit £130	
NPTC CS 30/31	Re-assessment of unit £250	
NPTC CS 32	Re-assessment of unit £130	
NPTC CS 33	Re-assessment of unit £180	
NPTC CS 34	Re-assessment of unit £130	
NPTC CS 35	Re-assessment of unit £130	
NPTC CS 48	Re-assessment of unit £145	
NPTC CLIMB TREES AND PERFORM AERIAL RESCUE OLD CS 38	Re-assessment of unit £160	
NPTC CS 39	Re-assessment of unit £160	
NPTC CS 40	Re-assessment of unit £160	
NPTC CS 41	Re-assessment of unit £160	



ALL PRICES ARE EXCLUSIVE OF VAT.

***ALL OUR PRICES ARE TRANSPARENT.
THERE ARE NO HIDDEN COSTS WHAT-SO-EVER.***

***INFORMED TREE SERVICES Ltd (ITS) PRIDES ITSELF IN ONLY
USING THE BEST INSTRUCTORS WHO ARE REGISTERED WITH
LANTRA AWARDS AND ARE NPTC APPROVED ASSESSORS.***

***ALL COURSES MEET THE NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS
AND HSE GUIDELINES, IN TERMS OF COURSE STRUCTURE,
DURATION AND TRAINEE NUMBERS PER COURSE.***

***ITS ALWAYS SCHEDULES COURSES TO HAVE "END ON" NPTC
ASSESSMENT.***

TO DISCUSS YOUR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS CONTACT:

Chris Simpson

Informed Tree Services Ltd,

67 Buchan Street,

Hamilton,

ML3 8JY.

Email: chris@informedtreeservices.co.uk

Tel: 07881 677813/01698 428603



Terms and Conditions:

- **It is assumed trainees will provide their own chainsaw and protective clothing - but these can be supplied if booked in advance, at no extra cost, using the ITS course booking form.**
- **Bookings will only be treated as confirmed on receipt of a 50% deposit or official order number. Confirmed bookings will given precedence over provisional bookings, regardless of when the booking was made.**
- **Certification will not be forwarded to clients until full payment has been cleared.**
- **Course dates will be confirmed at least ten working days before the commencement date, subject to adequate demand, and training will be carried out at a site as close to the majority of the trainees as possible.**
- **If a course is not fully booked ITS reserves the right to postpone the course. ITS will endeavour to provide at least ten working days notice of postponement. A full refund will be provided (forwarded within 5 working days notice) if requested by the candidate/client.**
- **All cancellations – on courses with City & Guilds/NPTC assessment - will incur a £52 charge. This is to cover the cost of registration with the awarding body, which is non-refundable.**
- **If you wish to be issued with an ID competency card rather than just a paper certificate, then please bring a passport-sized photograph with you on the first day of training.**
- **Bookings cancelled at less than 10 working days notice will be subject to a cancellation fee (equal to the course fee) or loss of the deposit.**
- **ITS reserves the right to refuse or discontinue training if the instructor considers the trainee's pre-entry skills are inadequate or where the trainee puts the health and safety of themselves or others at risk.**
- **Full terms and conditions are available from:**

**Informed Tree Service Ltd
67 Buchan Street
Hamilton
ML3 8JY.**



**INFORMED TREE SERVICES Ltd
TRAINING APPLICATION FORM**

Course Title: _____

Dates: _____

Candidate Details:

Surname: _____

First Name(s): _____

Postal Address: _____

Post Code: _____ **DOB:** _____

Day Time Tel: _____

Do you require protective clothing? Yes/No* if yes quote boot size ()

Do you require a chainsaw? Yes/No*

Method of Payment:

Invoice employer (purchase order required) Yes/No*

£ _____ 50% deposit attached with booking form Yes/No*

(NB: Balance is required before or on first day of course)

***Delete as appropriate**

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return completed forms to:
INFORMED TREE SERVICES LTD, 67 BUCHAN STREET, HAMILTON. ML3 8JY



INFORMED TREE SERVICES Ltd

COURSE DISCLAIMER

Course Title: _____

Dates: _____

Candidate Details:

Surname: _____

First Name(s): _____

Employer's Name &Address:

Post Code: _____ **Day Time Tel:** _____

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| 1. Are you currently taking any medication that may inhibit your performance at work? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do you suffer from any permanent or temporary illness that may inhibit your performance on the course? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Do you have normal vision in both eyes (corrected vision by the use of glasses or contact lenses is acceptable) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. I hold the appropriate pre-requisite units (no pre-requisites for ITAs, "Basic Chainsaw" or "Climb trees and perform aerial rescue") | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you know of any reason why you shouldn't | | |
| a) Use a chainsaw/other power tool | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Work at height/be suspended at height | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return completed forms to: ITS 67 Buchan Street, Hamilton. ML3 8JY.