



TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES

SPRING 2015 PROGRAMME ¹

GROUND BASED CHAINSAW COURSES - ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Basic Chainsaw with NPTC units 201, 202 & 203</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. Lantra training and assessment for NPTC Units "Award in chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting" and "Award in felling and processing trees up to 380mm". Takes six days in total.	Training: 5 th – 9 th January 2015 Assessed: 12 th OR 13 th January 2015 FULLY BOOKED
		Training: 23 rd – 27 th February 2015 Assessed: 2 nd OR 3 rd March 2015
		Training: 27 th April – 1 st May 2015 Assessed: 5 th OR 6 th May 2015
	Price includes all registration and assessment costs. There are no hidden costs. £720 per trainee.	Training: 1 st – 5 th June 2015 Assessed: 8 th OR 9 th June 2015

¹ **All prices listed are exclusive of VAT. (Training at 20%; assessments are zero rated). All dates are provisionally programmed and as such are, at times, amended.**

**Assisted
Felling
with NPTC
Unit 303**

Specialist one day course for experienced chainsaw operators. Covers safe installation and use of manual and mechanised pulling systems suitable for edge and leaning trees. One day of training followed by NPTC assessment for this new award. Be one of the first to gain it! Candidates must already hold CS32 or unit 301 (medium trees).

Dates available on request

£245 per trainee

**Maintenance
and
Crosscutting
with NPTC
Units 201 &
202**

Maintenance of the chainsaw and crosscutting of timber. Lantra training and assessment for NPTC Unit "Award in chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting". This unit will allow you to progress through the NPTC range once it is successfully completed
£395

Dates available on request

**Felling Small
Trees
with NPTC
Unit 203**

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 "Award in felling and processing trees up to 380mm". Candidates must already hold NPTC units 201 & 202.

Dates available on request

£395 per trainee

**Felling
Medium Sized
Trees
with NPTC
unit 301**

Felling of trees up to twice guidebar length (760mm/30") in diameter. The course requires the pre-requisite units CS 30 and CS31 or 201, 202 & 203.

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 "Award in felling and processing trees over 380mm"
£475 per trainee

Training:
9th – 11th March 2015
Assessed:
12th OR 13th March 2015

Training:
22nd – 24th June 2015
Assessed:
25th OR 26th June 2015

**Severing
uprooted or
Windblown
Trees
with NPTC
Unit 302**

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 or 301 (Felling Medium Size Trees) Price includes assessment for NPTC unit "Award in severing uprooted or windblown trees".
£345 per trainee.

Training:
21st – 22nd Jan 2015
Assessed:
23rd January 2015

Training:
More dates on request

**Powered Pole
Pruners
with NPTC
unit 205**

Covers maintenance, starting procedures, pruning cuts, PPE and safety considerations. Includes assessment for NPTC Unit "Award in the safe use of powered pole pruners".

£295 per trainee.

Training:
1st April 2015
Assessed:
2nd April 2015

Training:
Dates on request

**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 <u>NO</u> progression route, from the LANTRA occasional user scheme. No prerequisites for attendance.</p> <p>£245 per trainee</p>	<p>Dates available on request</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 <u>NO</u> 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>Dates available on request</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 or 201, 202 & 203.</p> <p>£340 per trainee</p>	<p>Dates available on request</p>

OFF GROUND ARBORICULTURAL COURSES – ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Climb Trees and Perform Aerial Rescue (Old CS38) with NPTC units 206 & 306</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 in Climbing Trees and Perform Aerial Rescue” <i>units 206 & 306</i> £720 per trainee	Training: 2 nd – 6 th February 2015 Assessed: 9 th February 2015
		Training: 13 th – 17 th April 2015 Assessed: 20 th April 2015
		Training: 8 th – 12 th June 2015 Assessed: 15 th June 2015
<u>Chainsaw from a Rope and Harness (Old CS39) with NPTC unit 308</u>	Training in the safe use of chainsaws while working from a rope and harness. This three-day course will provide you with the safe pruning skills required to sit the NPTC Unit 308 test. Candidates must already hold NPTC units 30, 31 and 38 OR 201, 202, 203, 206 and 306. £425 per trainee	Training: 20 th – 21 st January 2015 Assessed: 22 nd January 2015 FULLY BOOKED
		Training: 11 th – 12 th February 2015 Assessed: 13 th February 2015
		Training: 17 th – 18 th March 2015 Assessed: 19 th March 2015
		Training: 17 th – 18 th June 2015 Assessed: 19 th June 2015

**Pruning
Operations
(Old CS40)
with NPTC
unit 307**

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 OR 308. The fee includes assessment for NPTC Unit 307

£595 per trainee

**Training:
26th – 28th May 2015
Assessed:
29th May 2015**

**Training:
Other dates available on request**

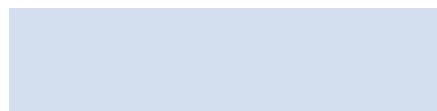
**Dismantling
Operations
(Old CS41)
with NPTC
unit 309**

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 OR 203 and 308. Training and assessment for NPTC Unit CS41.

£ 795 per trainee

**Training:
11th – 15th May 2015
Assessed:
18th OR 19th May 2015**

**Training:
Other dates available on request**



ARBORICULTURAL MACHINERY COURSES

- ASSESSED

(“training only” can be provided if required)

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Brushwood Chipper NPTC 222 (old A06)</u>	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.”	Training: 12th February 2015 Assessed: 13th February 2015
	£195 per trainee	Training: 28th May 2015 Assessed: 29th May 2015
		More dates available on request
<u>Stump Grinders AO 7</u>	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,	Training: 18th June 2015 Assessed: 19th June 2015
	£245 per candidate.	More dates available on request

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
	£245 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. £120 per trainee.	Training: 27th January 2015 FULLY BOOKED Training: 7th May 2015 More dates available on request
<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. £285 per trainee	Training & Assessment: 28th – 30th Jan 2015 FULLY BOOKED Training & Assessment: 20th – 22nd May 2015
<u>Professional Tree Inspection Re-Assessment</u>	Bespoke one day course recapping PTI course content and with Lantra re-assessment. Content will largely be determined by candidates. £190 per trainee.	Assessed: 22nd May 2015

RE-ASSESSMENT/ASSESSMENT ONLY PROVISION

Assessment Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
NPTC 201/202	Re-assessment of unit £145	Dates available on request.
NPTC 203	Re-assessment of unit £130	
NPTC 201/202/203	Re-assessment of unit £250	
NPTC 301	Re-assessment of unit £145	
NPTC 302	Re-assessment of unit £145	
NPTC 205	Re-assessment of unit £145	
NPTC 206/306	Re-assessment of unit £190	
NPTC 308	Re-assessment of unit £190	
NPTC 307	Re-assessment of unit £190	
NPTC 309	Re-assessment of unit £190	



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 ON 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 (Director)
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 be 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 Ltd 67 Buchan Street, Hamilton. ML3 8JY.

NPTC UNITS 2013 – A COMPARISON of commonly attended courses/assessments

Pre 2013 unit number	Pre 2013 unit title	2013 unit number	2013 unit title
CS30	Chainsaw maintenance and crosscutting	201	Award in chainsaw maintenance
-	-	202	Award in cross-cut timber using a chainsaw
-	-	201/202	Award in chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting
CS31	Fell small trees	203	Award in felling and processing trees up to 380mm
CS32	Fell medium trees	301	Award in felling and processing trees over 380mm
CS33	Fell large trees	-	301 (above) has no upper diameter
CS34	Sever individual uprooted trees	302	Award in sever uprooted or windblown trees using a chainsaw
CS35	Sever multiple windblown trees	302	Award in sever uprooted or windblown trees using a chainsaw
CS36	Breakdown of a broadleaved crown	204	Award in branch removal and breakdown of a crown
CS38	Climb trees and perform aerial rescue	206	Award in accessing a tree using a rope and harness
-	-	306	Award in aerial tree rescue operations
CS39	Chainsaw from rope and harness	308	Award in aerial cutting of trees with a chainsaw using free fall techniques
CS40	Pruning	307	Award in aerial tree pruning
CS41	Award to undertake sectional dismantling	309	Award in aerial tree rigging
CS48	Powered pole pruners	205	Award in safe use of powered pole pruner

Notes:

- 1) The 2013 units are now recognised by Ofqual within the qualifications and credit framework (QCF)
- 2) Lantra offer assessment for the same awards, also within the QCF.
- 3) Units commencing with the number 2 (eg 201) are a level two qualification.
- 4) Units commencing with the 3 (eg 301) are a level three qualification.