



TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES

2011 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 seven days in total £695 per trainee	Training: 14 th – 18 th March 2011 Assessed: 21 st OR 22 nd March 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)
		Training: 23 rd – 29 th March 2011 Assessed: 30 th OR 31 st March 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)
		Training: 9 th – 13 th May 2011 Assessed: 16 th OR 17 th May 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)
		Training: 13 th – 17 th June 2011 Assessed: 20 th OR 21 st June 2011
		Training: 11 th – 15 th July 2011 Assessed: 18 th OR 19 th July 2011
		Training: 15 th – 19 th August 2011 Assessed: 22 nd OR 23 rd August 2011
		Training: 12 th – 16 th Sept 2011 Assessed: 19 th OR 20 th Sept 2011

¹ All prices listed are exclusive of VAT.

**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:
11th – 12th April 2011
Assessed:
13th OR 14th Feb 2011

**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:
18th – 20th May 2011
Assessed:
23rd May 2011

£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:
27th – 29th April 2011
Assessed:
3rd OR 4th May 2011

Training:
20th – 22nd July 2011
Assessed:
25th OR 26th July 2011

£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.

Training:
18th – 19th April 2011
Assessed:
20th April 2011

Other dates available on request.

£295 per trainee.

NEW!!
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)

Training:
31st May – 1st June 2011
Assessed:
2nd OR 3rd June 2011

£375/candidate

Powered Pole
Pruners
CS48

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

Training:
15th Feb 2011
Assessed:
16th Feb 2011

Includes assessment for NPTC Unit CS 48.

Candidates must already hold Unit CS30 as this is a shortened course/assessment.

Training:
20th April 2011
Assessed:
21st April 2011

£225 per trainee.

**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>Training: 4th – 5th April 2011</p> <p>Training: 23rd – 24th June 2011</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>Training: 7th – 8th April 2011</p> <p>Training: 27th – 28th June 2011</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: 28th Feb – 2nd March 2011</p> <p>Training: 27th – 29th July 2011</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	Training: 11 th – 15 th April 2011 Assessed: 18 th OR 19 th April 2011 Training: 23 rd – 27 th May 2011 Assessed: 31 st May OR 1 st June 2011 Training: 4 th – 8 th July 2011 Assessed: 11 th OR 12 th July 2011
<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	Training: 22 nd – 23 rd Feb 2011 Assessed: 24 th OR 25 th Feb 2011 (FULLY BOOKED) Training: 17 th – 18 th May 2011 Assessed: 19 th OR 20 th May 2011 Training: 18 th – 19 th July 2011 Assessed: 20 th OR 21 st July 2011
<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	Training: 7 th – 9 th March 2011 Assessed: 10 th OR 11 th March 2011 Training: 6 th – 8 th June 2011 Assessed: 9 th OR 10 th June 2011

**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:
21st – 25th March 2011
Assessed:
28th OR 29th March 2011

Training:
25th – 29th July 2011
Assessed:
2nd OR 3rd August 2011

**ARBORICULTURAL MACHINERY COURSES
- ASSESSED**

(“training only” can be provided if required)

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Brushwood Chipper AO6</u>	<p>Instruction on maintenance, transportation, starting/stopping and feeding of brushwood chippers. Clarification of current legislation and required safety features. Includes assessment for NPTC Unit “Brushwood Chipper.”</p> <p>£195 per trainee</p>	<p>Training: 17th February 2011 Assessed: 18th February 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)</p> <p>Training: 14th April 2011 Assessed: 15th April 2011</p> <p>Training: 3rd August 2011 Assessed: 4th August 2011</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: 5th May 2011 Assessed: 6th May 2011 (FULLY BOOKED)</p> <p>Training: 8th August 2011 Assessed: 9th August 2011</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: 31st March 2011
	£95 per trainee.	Training: 9th May 2011
<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. £245 per trainee	Training: 11th – 13th May 2011
<u>Professional Tree Inspection Re-Assessment</u>	Bespoke two day course recapping PTI course content and with Lantra re-assessment. Content will largely be determined by candidates. £190 per trainee.	Training: 6th – 7th October 2011

PESTICIDE TRAINING - ASSESSED

Course Title	Description/Details	Scheduled dates
<u>Pesticide Application PA1 & PA6a</u>	Instruction on the safe use of pesticides, including current legislation and the safe use of hand held applicators. Cost includes examination fees and registration. Two day course with one more day for assessment costing, £295 per trainee.	Dates available on request

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 (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

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.**
- **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
67 Buchan Street
Hamilton
ML3 8JY.**



INFORMED TREE SERVICES 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, 67 BUCHAN STREET, HAMILTON. ML3 8JY



INFORMED TREE SERVICES

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.