

Brushwood Chipper



Duration:

One day per machine type for novices. (CLMC35X)

One day for experienced operators. (evidence of experience required – CLMC35R)

Group Size:

4 for novices. (CLMC35X)

6 for experienced operators. (evidence of experience required – CLMC35R)

4 for trainee machine.

6 for refresher training.

Who should attend?

All persons employed in arboriculture, forestry, horticulture, landscaping and grounds maintenance who is or will be required to operate Woodchippers. Inexperienced members may require longer than the stated guide times to fully utilise the information supplied.

Course Aims:

The course aims to ensure learners are aware how to use and maintain portable abrasive wheel equipment safely. (Disc Cutter/Grinder)

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of the course the learners will cover the following content: -

- Produce a site specific Risk Assessment for wood chipping operations
- State the principles of HSE legislation and safety guidelines for using a wood chipper
- Select the appropriate PPE and state the maintenance requirements
- Carry out operator checks and identify the safety features of a woodchipper
- Carry out routine operator maintenance
- Inspect and identify defects on the blades
- Prepare machine prior to operation, start the machine, carry out safety checks and stop machine.
- Prepare a work area and a range of materials for chipping and identify hazardous materials not to be chipped
- Use approved techniques to chip woody brush and both short and long sections of timber safely and effectively
- State the procedure for removing blockages
- State the safety and environmental factors associated with the disposal of woodchips and the various end uses of woodchips
- Prepare machine for transport and storage
- The use of the manufacturer's instruction book is stressed at all times to ensure maintenance and adjustments are carried out to manufacturers' recommendations

Course Outline:

- Introduction
- Risk Assessment
- Legislation
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Pre-use checks
- Safety Features
- Routine checks and maintenance
- Cutter and anvil checks
- Start machine and carry out safety checks
- Preparation of site, machine and materials
- Operation of woodchipper
- Unblocking woodchipper
- End uses of woodchip
- Cleaning, transport and storage



Certification:

This is an Integrated Training and Assessment (ITA) course, and successful learners will receive a Certificate of Basic Training and ID card

Learners must supply their own Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for this course.