



NATIONAL PROFICIENCY TESTS COUNCIL

CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCE FOR CHAIN SAW UNITS

Unit	Description	Pre-requisite
CS30.1	Maintain & Operate the Chain Saw	None
CS30.2	On-site Preparation & Basic Cross-cutting	CS30.1
CS31	Fell & Process Small Trees (200 to 380 mm)	CS30
CS32	Fell & Process Medium Size Trees (380 to 760 mm)	CS30 + CS31
CS33	Fell Large Trees (> 760 mm)	CS30 + CS31 + CS32
CS34	Process Individual Windblown Trees	CS30 + CS31 + CS32
CS35	Process Multiple Windblown Trees	CS30 + CS31 + CS32 + CS34
CS38	Climb Trees & Perform Aerial Tree Rescue	None
CS39	Use of Chain Saw from a Rope & Harness	CS30 + CS31 + CS38
CS40	Carry out Pruning Operations	CS30 + CS31 + CS38 + CS39
CS41	Undertake Sectional Felling Operations	CS30 + CS31 + CS38 + CS39
CS42	Carry out Stump Protection	None
CS43	Fell Utility Poles	CS30
CS44	Fell Standing Stems	CS30 + CS31
CS45	Arboricultural Ground Worker	CS30
CS46	Repollarding	CS30 + cs31
CS47	Use of Chain Saw from a MEWP	CS30 + CS31
CS48.1	Maintenance of the Powered Pole Pruner	None
CS48.2	On-site Preparation & Basic Pruning with Powered Pole Pruner	CS30.1 or CS48.1

CS30 = CS30.1 + CS30.2

N.B. If Pruning Operations only involve ground work, then CS30 + CS31 are the only pre-requisites.



Maximum Number of Candidates per Course:

4 Max.

Duration:

Varies according to experience and ability of candidate. Typically examples are:

CS30 (CS30.1 + CS30.2) = 2 days training plus 1 day independent assessment.

CS31 = 3 days training plus 1 day independent assessment.

Instructors:

Instruction & Assessment is provided by an experienced and qualified NPTC Accredited Instructor.

Certificate of Competence / ID Card:

Certificates / I.D. Cards will be awarded to Candidates who achieve the level of competence required.

Candidates must present 2 Passport sized photographs for their I.D. Card.

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