Hand Held Hedge Trimmer

At a glance…

Training (with Assessment) Competence

Duration Notes:	The expected duration for the course is one day. However, this may vary according to your level of experience, the certificate options selected, or the ratio of Instructors to Learners.
Delivery Method:	Classroom and practical

Introduction

Elevate your skills with our one-day Hand Held Hedge Trimmer course, the ideal starting point for users who want to work safely, confidently, and efficiently

Overview in brief

Hand held hedge trimmers are effective and flexible pieces of equipment.

Their mobility makes them versatile but also increases the potential for accidents.

Our course will teach you to use the machine safely and correctly, as well as maintenance specific to the hedge trimmer.



It's ideal if you're looking to update your skills or keep on top of the latest work-based health and safety regulations. It’s worth noting that our course doesn’t cover working at height.

You'll also learn how to optimise performance and carry out routine maintenance.

Successfully complete it and you'll receive a certificate of competence.

The finer details

This is an integrated training and assessment course.

Our experienced Instructors will teach you to use the hedge trimmer safely and with confidence.

You'll be guided through all the health and safety requirements and understand the machine and its capabilities.

You'll then tackle practical, hands-on sessions.

Course sessions:

- Preparing for hedge trimmer operations
- Hedge trimmer maintenance
- Battery-operated machines
- Planning the trimming operation
- Operating the hedge trimmer
- Clearing the site and machine checks.

Certificate options for this course include battery powered only, liquid fuel powered only or both battery and liquid fuel powered.

Who should attend?

Our training course is for anyone employed in the agriculture, horticulture, landscaping, and grounds maintenance industry that currently operates, or will be required to operate a hand held hedge trimmer.

What will be covered?

By the end of the course, you'll be able to:

• Produce a Site Specific Risk Assessment (SSRA) for hedge trimmer operations

• Identify the necessary Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) required

• Identify the health and safety features fitted to a hedge trimmer

• Identify defects on a hedge trimmer and decide which the operator can remedy, and which require a service engineer’s attention

• Carry out basic maintenance tasks in line with the Manufacturer’s Operator’s Manual (MOM)

• Prepare the hedge trimmer for use with the correct fuel/oil mix or battery power

• Start the hedge trimmer from both hot and cold start in a safe manner

• State the possible hazards/risks when carrying out maintenance or operational tasks

• Maintain the hedge trimmer in a safe and efficient working condition

• Adjust the hedge trimmer for safe and comfortable operation where a harness is used

• Operate the hedge trimmer in a safe manner having regard for the safety of the public, property and environmental factors