Tree Pruning Refresher (TG1 Update 2020)

At a glance…

Training (Only)

Duration Notes:	1 day
Prerequisites:	You must have completed a Tree Pruning course before attending the refresher.

Introduction

We have updated the way that our Aerial refresher suite is delivered to reflect the changes to best climbing practice laid out in the new Technical Guide 1: Tree Climbing & Aerial Rescue.

This refresher training course looks to update your pruning skills and knowledge. You will complete pruning activities to achieve specified results and gain an understanding of any new pruning methods as well as when these should be applied.

This course is for those who are already operating in industry and need to complete refresher training as set out in the Chainsaws at Work INDG317 document.

Overview in brief



Tree pruning is a hugely important management tool for trees to ensure they remain healthy and safe. Refreshing your skills to perform this task is important to ensure you perform the task safely.

This is a hands-on refresher course that delivers both practical skills and health and safety guidance as well as demonstrating that you and your employer have completed sufficient training to meet the **Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998 (PUWER).**

The finer details

This is a refresher course to hone knowledge and skills Tree Pruning.

Regular refresher training will ensure that you meet the guidance set out in HSE guidance documents.

Who should attend?

This course is intended for persons over the age of 16 already experienced in climbing trees using work positioning systems and who have completed a Tree Pruning course. Those wishing to attend this training course must be physically fit and not suffering from vertigo or similar conditions or on medication that could affect their safety. Anyone wishing to use a Mobile Elevated Work Platform (MEWP) for this course must hold a current licence to practice in the MEWP type intended for operation.

What will be covered?

By the end of this course, you will have updated your skills and knowledge of Tree Pruning. You will also be able to demonstrate that you have refreshed your original training, in line with HSE guidance documents.

Training covers:

- Understanding of your personal duties and responsibilities
- Possible hazards/risks when carrying out maintenance or operational tasks
- Production of a site-specific risk assessment for tree pruning operations
- The principles of HSE legislation and safety guidelines relevant to tree pruning
- Selecting the appropriate PPE and state the maintenance requirements.