

Basic Tree Survey



Course Objectives:

To enable course members to:

- State the legal and safety implications of hazardous trees
- Maintain your own health and safety while carrying out Basic Tree Survey and Inspection
- Recognize hazardous trees
- Determine level of risk
- Decide on an appropriate course of action
- Collect and maintain adequate information
- Recognize your own limitations

Who is the course designed for?

This one-day course aims to provide specific tree survey and inspection training at a basic level for contractors, highway engineers, tree wardens, grounds maintenance staff, rangers and other persons of a non-arboricultural background or with limited arboricultural knowledge, to allow them to identify obvious defects from ground level and then to report their finding to a line manager.

Duration:

1 day

Instructor/Trainee Ratio

1:2 Min - 1:14 Max

Course Content:

- Introduction
- PPE
- Risk Assessment
- Legal Framework
- Tree Surveys
- Tree Inspections
- Tree Hazard Assessment
- Determining the scope and limits of the survey
- Highways
- Parks, gardens, woodland
- Hazardous trees
- Methodology – what to look for
- Recording pro-forma
- Survey / inspection exercise

Equipment & Facilities:

Inside

- Classroom facilities with space and seating for up to 15, with light, heating and power, toilet facilities, tea and coffee provision.
- Flipchart / whiteboard (for newsprint, flipcharts etc plus pens)
- Power point projector and screen

Outside

- Ideally, a selection of trees with a variety of identifiable signs and symptoms to use as an exercise in tree survey and inspection