

# Hand Held Hedge Trimmers

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## Course Objectives:

### To enable course members to:

- Understand Legislation, Health and Safety, Risk Assessment relating to hand held hedge trimmers
- Choose Machine type/suitability for work to be undertaken
- Identify and maintain PPE for hedge trimmer use an operation
- Identify key controls and functions
- Prepare hedge trimmer for operation
- Carry out routine maintenance
- Operate machinery safely and efficiently
- Awareness of working at heights
- Environmental considerations
- Discuss hedge types and finishes
- Dispose of arisings
- Store and transport hand held hedge trimmers

## Who is the course designed for?

Those wishing to update their skills in using hand held hedge trimmers and/or satisfy H&S legislation regarding the Safe Use of hand held hedge trimmers at Work. And anyone needing to use hand held hedge trimmers as part of their work.

## Duration:

1 day

## Instructor/Trainee Ratio

Max: 1:6 for novices

Machine: trainee ratio = 1:2

## Course Content:

- Introduction
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Health and Safety Features
- Hedge types and growth habits
- Maintenance
- Fuelling and starting and pre-use checks
- Adjusting the hedge trimmer idling
- Hedge cutting on site
- Clearing site and hedge trimmer checks

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## Equipment & Facilities:

### Venue

- A workshop with adequate bench space.
- Enough hedge of suitable material for each course member to undertake hedge cutting on side and top of hedge with feet on the ground.

### Trainee

- Hedge trimmer, Operator maintenance guide & fuel
- PPE – Helmet, ear, defenders, visor, gloves, and no loose fitting clothing although arms and legs should covered