

Safe Use of Pesticides – PA1

Preparation for NPTC Certificate of Competence



Course Objectives:

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- develop knowledge covering the requirements of current legislation
- learn how to use pesticides appropriately and safely, and keep proper records
- understand how to store pesticides correctly
- learn how to clean equipment, and dispose of unwanted pesticides and containers
- cover procedures for dealing with contamination and poisoning incidents

All without risk to self or third party

Who is the course designed for?

This course is a must for all those employed in the amenity horticulture sectors who are involved in the storage, handling and application of pesticides. Course members should be able to read. A code of practice specifies the knowledge and skills required of a competent operator

Duration:

1 Day – Classroom based

Instructor/Trainee Ratio:

Max 1:12

Course Content:

- Current legislation
- Interpreting labels and literature
- Personal hygiene
- Selecting and using protective clothing
- Preparing pesticides for use
- Storing pesticides
- Keeping records
- Transport and temporary storage of pesticides
- Disposing of empty containers, surplus unused pesticides and washings
- Dealing with accidental contamination of people

Equipment & Facilities:

- Notebook and pens