**Operate and Maintain Chainsaws**

**Course Objective**:

Our 8 hour, one day training course is designed for people required to safely operate a hand-held chainsaw and maintain it in working condition.

This unit applies to cross-cutting fallen timber using safe cutting techniques. It’s an introductory training course for individuals who apply low risk work procedures and comply with worksite health and safety requirements when operating hand-held chainsaws to carry out routine work.

On successful completion students will be issued with a Statement of attainment and a training card in accordance with **AHCMOM213 Operate and maintain chainsaws.**

# Course Content:

# Assist in preparation of the worksite

# Recognise and apply workplace safety procedures

* Check and prepare chainsaw for use
* Operate chainsaw.
* Complete and check chainsaw operations

# Assessment:

* Theory Assessment
* Practical Assessments (progressive activities)

# Training and Assessment:

# 1 day program (depending on experience)

# Individuals requiring experience will be issued with a training card.

# Log books are available for future assessment.

* Declaration of previous experience should be presented.

# Times:

* 0800 to 1600

# Course Prerequisites:

* Students must be able to communicate.
* Ability to use and understand basic English
* Be physically capable.

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# Fee Includes:

* Learning Materials
* Assessment
* Card issue

# Cost: $350.00 per person

# Course Location:

* At our training facilities, located at Mount Barker and Dawesley.
* On-site training is available.

# Personal Protective Equipment:

Students are required to wear work boots with a nonslip sole, long sleeve shirt, trousers, Hi-vis vests to be worn during practical exercises. (supplied)

# Students must present Photo Identification ie Australian Drivers Licence, Passport or Proof of Age card in addition to a USI (Unique Student Identifier)

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| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| 1. Assist in preparation of work-site | 1.1 Identify location of worksite and fallen timber from scope of works and confirm with supervisor  1.2 Identify site hazards, assess risks and report to supervisor  1.3 Confirm first aid and emergency personnel, equipment and procedures  1.4 Document and implement site health and safety in the workplace, environmental and traffic control measures according to workplace procedures |
| 2. Recognise and apply workplace safety procedures | 2.1 Identify hazards and risks relevant to the maintenance and operation of chainsaws and implement safe working practices to manage risks  2.2 Select, fit and use personal protective equipment according to workplace safety procedures  2.3 Confirm with supervisor relevant licensing and legislative requirements with regard to the operation of chainsaws  2.4 Transport chainsaw safely according to operation and maintenance manual |
| 3. Check and prepare chainsaw for use | 3.1 Select tools and materials required for maintenance  3.2 Conduct routine checks and maintenance prior to operation, according to chainsaw operation and maintenance manual  3.3 Calculate required fuel oil ratios prior to mixing  3.4 Mix fuel and fuel chainsaw according to operation and maintenance manual  3.5 Identify, tag, record and report chainsaw faults or malfunctions to supervisor |
| 4. Operate chainsaw | 4.1 Communicate with work team during operations using voice, hand or whistle signals  4.2 Place supports to ensure a stable base for cutting  4.3 Identify materials to be cut and position them for operation  4.4 Visually assess material to be cut for defects and embedded hazards  4.5 Determine cutting methods appropriate to material type and implement risk controls  4.6 Select and use tools associated with chainsaw use  4.7 Operate chainsaw to cross-cut timber using documented low risk work methods  4.8 Identify and report work-site communication issues to supervisor  4.9 Identify and report environmental impacts of chainsaw operation to supervisor |
| 5. Complete and check chainsaw operation | 5.1 Record and report chainsaw damage, malfunction and irregular performance according to workplace procedures  5.2 Clean and store chainsaw according to workplace procedures and operation and maintenance manual  5.3 Dispose of debris from operation in accordance with environmental requirements  5.4 Maintain workplace documentation according to workplace procedures |