

FWPCOT3301

TRIM TREES USING A POLE SAW

This Unit is nationally recognised



Delivery Mode: Face-to-Face (Classroom & Practical)

Duration: 1 Day.

Location: 51-55 Toll Street, Mount St John, QLD, 4818

This course includes all assessments and required resources.

Unit Overview

Pole saws are essential tools for safely trimming high branches without the need for elevated work platforms or unsafe ladder use. This practical, hands-on one-day course provides the skills and knowledge required to safely operate a power-driven pole saw in various work environments.

Whether you're a groundskeeper, landowner, parks worker, landscaper, or contractor, this course will give you the confidence to manage overhanging or dangerous limbs and contribute to tree health through correct trimming techniques.

This course is ideal for:

- Arborists and horticulture workers
- Land management and conservation teams
- Council workers and landscapers
- Groundskeepers and maintenance staff
- Anyone needing to use a pole saw safely and efficiently

Entry Requirements

To enrol, participants must:

- Be 16 years of age or older
- Possess or apply for a USI (Unique Student Identifier) – [Apply here](#) if required
- Provide three (3) forms of identification (refer to final page for details)
- Wear closed-in footwear
- Successfully complete a brief Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) assessment

Pre-requisites: None

Learning Outcomes

Participants will gain knowledge and skills in:

- Work Health and Safety (WHS) procedures relevant to pole saw operations
- Hazard identification and risk control measures
- Assessing trees and identifying trimming requirements
- Trimming high branches using a pole saw while maintaining tree health
- Correct start-up, shut-down, and maintenance of equipment
- Chain servicing and sharpening
- Techniques to promote healthy tree growth through proper trimming
- Prepare for tree trimming activities and complete pre-operational checks
- Assess tree structures and determine trimming needs
- Trim branches safely and efficiently using a power-driven pole saw
- Conduct routine maintenance on the pole saw in line with manufacturer recommendations.

Certification

Assessment includes:

- Practical demonstration of pole saw use and maintenance
- Written and verbal questions assessing understanding of safety and trimming processes.

Upon successful completion, participants will receive a Nationally Recognised Statement of Attainment for: FWPCOT3301 – Trim Trees Using a Pole Saw.

Evidence of Identity

At least one category A document must be photographic and show a full name and date of birth (DOB)

A candidate must produce, and an assessor must sight, three matching, original, evidence of identity (EOI) documents before undertaking an assessment or reassessment.

The EOI documents must comprise either:

- One (1) Category A document and two (2) Category B documents, or
- Two (2) Category A documents and one (1) Category B document.
- The category A document must show your full name and date of birth. Certified photocopies will not be accepted.
- All documents must be current unless otherwise stated.
- At least one Category A document must be photographic and show a candidate's full name.
- At least one Category A or B document must show the candidate's signature and date of birth.

Refund, Cancellation, RPL/Credit Transfer Policies

- Please familiarise yourself with our policies in our Student Handbook which also includes more details on training and support services.

Category A Documents	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian Birth / Bicentennial Birth Certificate (born in 1988) – full (not Extract or Commemorative Certificate)• Australian Citizenship Certificate / Naturalisation Certificate• Queensland or Federal police officer photo identity card.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Queensland Photo Identification Card or laminated Queensland 18+ Card (issued after 1 January 1982)• Department of Home Affairs ImmiCard (Not expired more than 5 years) <p data-bbox="158 1538 952 1583">Note: Electronic Travel Authority is not accepted.</p>	Current
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian passport or Foreign passport• Australian Certificate of Identity, Document of Identity, Titre de Voyage, Document de Voyage<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian photo driver licence• Queensland Government issued photographic high risk work licence• Queensland Accreditation / Authorisation: driver/rider trainer; pilot/escort vehicle driver; dangerous goods driver; tow truck driver/assistant; traffic controller; passenger transport driver (bus, taxi, limousine).	Current or expired less than 2 years

Category B documents – must be Australian issued documents	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Defence Force photo identity card (excluding civilians) • Australian Firearm Licence (with photo) • Australian Security Guard/Crowd Controller Licence (with photo) • Department of Veterans' Affairs/Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card (including Healthcare card) • Australian educational institution (including an RTO) student identity document (must include photo) • Financial institution debit/credit card (must include signature and embossed/printed name) • Medicare card; Department of Human Services BasicsCard • Interstate government-issued or government approved Proof of Age Card, Photo Card or Photo Identification Card • Note: Digital versions of the Medicare Card and Department of Veterans' Affairs or Centrelink Pensioner Concession card (including Health Care cards) can be presented for in-person transactions only. Screen shots or printed copies are not accepted. 	Current

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