

Risk Assessment Records



Foremost Tree Surgeons

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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Manual Handling of objects			Ref.	GEN1002
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Manual handling	Ver.	8

Standard Equipment

UEA Use equipment appropriate for the task

No Extra Equipment Selected

Qualifications and Training

GT0015 Safe Manual Handling of Objects

Hazards and Risks Identified

Falls, trips,slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures

Lower back pain

Muscle sprain or strain

Repetitive strain injury

Hernias

Soft-tissue injuries to the wrists, arms, shoulders, legs or neck

Persons at Risk

Employees

Relevant Publications

HSE Manual Handling at Work A Brief Guide 01/20 Indg143 (rev4)

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AIS27 Pwver 98

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Risk Control Measures Required

Manual handling undertaken in accordance with training

Where possible use mechanical lifting aids, machinery or equipment

Check the locality is clear of obstructions, pot holes, uneven ground, slippery surfaces

Keep manual handling to a minimum

Adequate lighting

Rotate use of equipment between team

PPE Required

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Manual Handling of objects			Ref.	GEN1002
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Manual handling	Ver.	8

Emergency Plans

TFA	Trained first aider on site
A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment
TFA	Team first aid including trauma kit on site
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Supervision
Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	30/11/2020
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Accessing and egress of large goods lorries, vans and flatbeds,			Ref. GEN1003
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Vehicle access & egress large goods, vans and flatbeds	Ver. 10

Standard Equipment		No Extra Equipment Selected
VEAC	Lorries, flatbeds,telehandlers and forklifts	

Qualifications and Training	
GT0765	Driving Licence Appropriate for Vehicle

Hazards and Risks Identified
Falls, trips,slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Struck by moving vehicles while working on or adjacent to a highway
Struck by vehicle\trailer being reversed

Persons at Risk
Equipment operator
Employees
Others in vicinity

Relevant Publications	
HSE Report 437	View
HSE a Guide to work place transport safety HSG 136 (3rd edition)	View
HSE Safe use of work work equipment regulations L22	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View
Safety at Street Works and Road Works (ACOP) The Red Book	View

Risk Control Measures Required
Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment
Ensure soles of safety footwear are clean
Access and egress using three points of contact
Where possible avoid reversing vehicles or machinery
Vehicles moved \ reversed with a 'banksman'
Vehicle must be stopped before access or egress
Use purpose built steps secured to the vehicle
Safety decals, hazard warning signs visible on entry and throughout the workshop

PPE Required
Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)
Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)
Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Accessing and egress of large goods lorries, vans and flatbeds,			Ref.	GEN1003
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Vehicle access & egress large goods, vans and flatbeds	Ver.	10

Emergency Plans

A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit
TFA	Trained first aider on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	07/12/2020
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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Use of a 360 Excavator			Ref. GEN1005
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Mechanical excavations	Ver. 10
Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment		
EX360	Use of a 360 excavator	NAA	Not applicable for this activity	

Qualifications and Training	
GT0360	Agricultural Tractor Driving and Related Operations
GT0390	360 EXCAVATOR
FTS105	National Plant Operators Registrations Scheme (NPORS)
GT0280	Cat & Genny Cable Avoidance

Hazards and Risks Identified	
Crush injury from overturned machine or vehicle	
Electrocution contact with live or arcing electrical installations	
Struck by moving vehicles while working on or adjacent to a highway	
Underground service strike	

Persons at Risk	
Equipment operator	
Employees	
Members of the public	
Third party employees	

Relevant Publications	
Avoiding Danger From Underground Services Hsg 47 (Third Edition)	View
G55/2 Tree Work In Proximity To Overhead Electric Lines	View
HSE Safe use of work work equipment regulations L22	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View
SFPSG Guidance on lifing with Excavators	View
FISA 704 Excavators in Tree Work	View

Risk Control Measures Required	
Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment	
Machinery maintained in accordance with manufacturers instructions	
Work area demarcated with signs,cones and barriers	
Ensure work colleagues and the public are clear of the machine before use	
Keys removed when machine/vehicle not in use	
Service plans obtained and onsite where practical	
Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR	
Maximum work loads adhered to	
Use safe stop procedure	
Pre use checks carried out on plant by operator	

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Use of a 360 Excavator		Ref.	GEN1005
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Mechanical excavations	Ver. 10

Traffic management in place before works commence

Lift plan produced by appointed person and available to all those involved in the lifting operation

PPE Required

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

COSHH Assessment

ALL1001 Ultra Low Sulphur Diesel

ALL1002 Hydraulic Oil

WOR1002 Engine Oil Q8 T 750 15w -40

WOR1004 Engine Oil Castrol Gtx Ultraclean 10w-40

Emergency Plans

EMP Charged and functional mobile phone on site

A&E Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

VFAK Vehicle first aid kit

TFA Trained first aider on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Regular site audits

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	07/12/2020
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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Refuelling of power hand tools

Ref. GEN1006

Category Tree Works

Subcategory Refuelling of powered hand tools

Ver. 7

Standard Equipment

CS1	Chainsaw petrol driven
PDC	Petrol disc cutter
ST1	Strimmer cord and disc
PP1	Powered pole pruner
LB1	Leaf blower
PS1	Pole saw
HC1	Mechanised hedge cutter
HIAB	Lorry fitted with Hiab crane
MECBOR	Mechanised hand held post hole borer
MECHPOS	Mechanised post rammer
SPKIT	Spill kit and nappy

No Extra Equipment Selected

Qualifications and Training

GT0700 Tool Box Talk

Hazards and Risks Identified

Inhalation of smoke and fumes
Refuelling risk of fire or explosion, blast or burns injury
Irritant to eyes
Pollution of watercourse/drains

Persons at Risk

Employees
Members of the public

Relevant Publications

Guidance For Pollution Prevention Works And Maintenance In Or Near Water Gpp 5 V1.2

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Risk Control Measures Required

PPE worn during operation
Spill kit required on site
Suitable fully charged fire extinguisher or water hose readily accessible at the scene of operations for immediate use
No smoking, naked flames or mobile phones to be used when refuelling
Allow exhaust of power tool to cool before fuelling
Container must be designed to carry fuel/oil

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Refuelling of power hand tools			Ref.	GEN1006
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Refuelling of powered hand tools	Ver.	7

Fuelling site must be remote from live operations, outside and in a well ventilated area

Use drip tray to trap any spills and return to equipment

Refuel and or lubricate 5 metres from any water course

PPE Required

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Gloves chemical protection (En 374)

COSHH Assessment

ALL1000	Unleaded Petrol
TRE1001	Plantoil 2 Stroke Engine Oil (biodegradable)
TRE1004	Plant Oil

Emergency Plans

TFA	Trained first aider on site
EYW	Eye wash available on site
A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Julie Brown	Date of Assessment	09/12/2020
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		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Highway work, vehicle movement		Ref. GEN1007
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory Highway works	Ver. 5

Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment	
VEAC	Lorries, flatbeds, telehandlers and forklifts	NAE	No additional equipment required
VMW	Winch vehicle mounted with accessories		
HIAB	Lorry fitted with Hiab crane		
TRA	Tractor		
VMEWP	Vehicle mounted MEWP		
VEH SPR	Vehicle mounted sprayer		
GTR	Grain trailer adapted for bus route clearance		
TMEWP	Tracked MEWP		
MOB CRA	Mobile crane		
TRAIL	Vehicle towing of trailer, brushwood chipper, bowser or similar		

Qualifications and Training	
GT0765	Driving Licence Appropriate for Vehicle
GT0700	Tool Box Talk
GT0015	Safe Manual Handling of Objects

Hazards and Risks Identified
Property damage from collision
Falls, trips, slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Struck by moving vehicles while working on or adjacent to a highway
Heavy pedestrian traffic
Fall from height
Impact/crush injuries from contact with vehicle movement
Impact/ crush injury from contact with vehicle, machine or trailer being reversed
Overtaken vehicle, trailer or machine
Do not use in close proximity to overhead powerlines

Persons at Risk
Employees
Members of the public
Third party employees

Relevant Publications	
Safety at Street Works and Road Works (ACOP) The Red Book	View
HSE Safe use of work equipment regulations L22	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View
HSE a Guide to work place transport safety HSG 136 (3rd edition)	View

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Highway work,vehicle movement		Ref.	GEN1007
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Highway works	Ver. 5

Risk Control Measures Required

Traffic management set up in accordance with safety at street works and road works code of practice

Vehicles moved using banksman

High visibility clothing worn and appropriate to highway speed

Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment

Work area demarcated with signs,cones and barriers

Visual inspection to confirm no overhead cables in close proximity to tree or branch

Machine switched off when not in use

Traffic managment in place before works commence

Vehicles must be compliant with NRSWA

No planned works during rush hour

Park vehicle near survey area as a precaution - anti social behaviour or aggressive dogs

Use banksmen when reversing

PUWER- operator to carry out daily checks (only qualified staff to service the tool)

PPE Required

Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Emergency Plans

A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit
TFA	Trained first aider on site
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Julie Brown	Date of Assessment	10/12/2020
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Vehicle loading and Unloading (Large goods and Vans)			Ref. GEN1020
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Vehicle loading and unloading large goods, vans and flatbeds	Ver. 6

Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment	
LGV	Large goods or van	NAE	No additional equipment required
HIAB	Lorry fitted with Hiab crane		
AVANT	Avant loader or similar tele handler		
EX360	Use of a 360 excavator		
TELE	Telehandler		

Qualifications and Training	
GT0765	Driving Licence Appropriate for Vehicle
GT0370	TELEHANDLER
GT0350	Forklift Truck Operation (Rough Terrain Masted and Telescopic types)
FTS220	Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified
Falls, trips,slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Crush injury from overturned machine or vehicle
Impact injury falls from height or pendulum swing
Struck by moving vehicles while working on or adjacent to a highway
Muscle sprain or strain
Struck by falling material or equipment serious or fatal injury
Impact injury
Struck by vehicle\trailer being reversed

Persons at Risk
Third party employees
Vehicle driver

Relevant Publications	
HSE Safe use of work work equipment regulations L22	View
HSE Manual Handling 01/20 Indg 143 (rev4)	View

Risk Control Measures Required
PPE worn during operation
Work area demarcated with signs,cones and barriers
Stop all operations in the event of unauthorised entry into the work site
Pre-use checks carried out confirming all safety features are present and functional on power tools and equipment
Where possible use mechanical lifting aids, machinery or equipment
Vehicles moved \ reversed with a 'banksman'
Keep manual handling to a minimum
Stay within designated work area while loading or unloading

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Vehicle loading and Unloading (Large goods and Vans)		Ref. GEN1020
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Vehicle loading and unloading large goods, vans and flatbeds
			Ver. 6

Access and egress using three points of contact

Ensure soles of safety footwear are clean

Check area is free from obstructions or people before reversing

Banksman must be used when reversing

Segregate pedestrians from areas of vehicle/machinery movements

PPE Required

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

COSHH Assessment

ALL1003	Red Diesel (gas Oil)
TRE1004	Plant Oil
WOR1000	Engine Oil Vesimax Hd14
WOR1001	5w-30 Ss Premium Napa
WOR1002	Engine Oil Q8 T 750 15w -40
WOR1003	Engine Oil Formula Techno Fe 5w/30
WOR1004	Engine Oil Castrol Gtx Ultraclean 10w-40
WOR1005	Transmission Fluid Liquimatic Dii
WOR1007	Jcb Transmission Fluid
WOR1008	Transmission Fluid Athena Ep 80w-90
WOR1009	Transmission Fluid Ford 75 W - 90bo
WOR1010	Transmission Fluid Comma
WOR1011	Brake Fluid Napa Dot 4
WOR1012	Brake Fluid Comma Dot 4
WOR1013	Antifreeze
WOR1027	Ad Blue

Emergency Plans

VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit
EYW	Eye wash available on site
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site
TFA	Trained first aider on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Vehicle loading and Unloading (Large goods and Vans)			Ref.	GEN1020
Category	Tree Works	Subcategory	Vehicle loading and unloading large goods, vans and flatbeds	Ver.	6
Assessed By	Gary Scammell		Date of Assessment	02/02/2022	
Verified By	Tom Pearson		Date of Verification	30/12/2025	
			Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026	

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Weils Disease (Leptospirosis) transmitted by contact from urine of infected rats or cattle **Ref.** HEA6010

Category Health **Subcategory** Weils disease **Ver.** 7

Standard Equipment

NAS Not equipment related disease

Extra Equipment

NAS Not equipment related disease

Qualifications and Training

GT0700 Tool Box Talk

Hazards and Risks Identified

Working on or near water

Weils disease (Leptospirosis) transmitted to humans by contact from urine infected rats and cattle

Ill health possibly fatal

Persons at Risk

Employees

Relevant Publications

HSE Leptospirosis are you at Risk? Indg 84 (rev1)

[View](#)

Risk Control Measures Required

Cover all cuts and broken skin with waterproof dressing or plasters

Wash hands after handling material likely to be contaminated before eating or drinking

Gloves to be worn at all times when handling material

PPE Required

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Gloves waterproof (EN 388 & 420)

Long sleeved top and trousers to be worn in high risk areas

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Weils Disease (Leptospirosis) transmitted by contact from urine of infected rats or cattle			Ref.	HEA6010
Category	Health	Subcategory	Weils disease	Ver.	7

Emergency Plans					
TFA	Trained first aider on site				
PFA1	Personal first aid kit carried by operator				

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required					
Monitor and review assessment including residual risks					
Regular site audits					

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	09/12/2020
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Lymes disease bacterial infection from ticks carried on sheep, cattle etc **Ref.** HEA6011

Category Health **Subcategory** Lymes disease **Ver.** 3

Standard Equipment

NAS Not equipment related disease

No Extra Equipment Selected

Qualifications and Training

GT0700 Tool Box Talk

Hazards and Risks Identified

Lyme disease bacterial infection from ticks carried on deer, sheep and cattle. Ill Health, skin rash. Can be fatal

Persons at Risk

Employees

Relevant Publications

Forest Research Briefing Note Lyme Disease

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Risk Control Measures Required

Disease specific awareness training provided

Apply insect repellent before work

Long sleeved top and trousers

Check for ticks on body at the end of each shift.

Remove ticks with specialist tool

PPE Required

Long sleeved top and trousers to be worn in high risk areas

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Lymes disease bacterial infection from ticks carried on sheep, cattle etc		Ref.	HEA6011
Category	Health	Subcategory	Lymes disease	Ver. 3

Emergency Plans	
PFA1	Personal first aid kit carried by operator
SMA	Where necessary seek medical advice
TFA	Trained first aider on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required	
Monitor and review assessment including residual risks	

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	09/12/2020
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity General noise assessment for tree works where power tools and machines are used **Ref.** HEA6013

Category Health **Subcategory** Noise Assessment **Ver.** 6

Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment	
CS1	Chainsaw petrol driven	NAE	No additional equipment required
CS10	Chainsaw large		
CS2	Top handled chainsaw petrol		
BR1	Brushwood chipper		
LB1	Leaf blower		
CL1	Clearing saw		
ST1	Strimmer cord and disc		
HC1	Mechanised hedge cutter		
PP1	Powered pole pruner		
PDC	Petrol disc cutter		
ACA	Air compressor nail gun		
HAD	Hammer drill		
SGM	Stump grinder (mobile)		
COMP NAIL GUN	Compressed air nail gun		
CORDLESS PIN	Cordless pin nail gun		
CORD HAM	Cordless hammer drill		
DCCOS	Disc cutter cut off saw		
HYDPOWER	Hydraulic power pack		
MECBOR	Mechanised hand held post hole borer		
MECHPOS	Mechanised post rammer		
PETROL POW GE	Petrol powered generator		
JEH	Jenz Hem 561 Chipper		
AVANT	Avant loader or similar tele handler		
GTR	Grain trailer adapted for bus route clearance		
VMEWP	Vehicle mounted MEWP		
TMEWP	Tracked MEWP		
ROAD DRILL	Use of road drill		
CORDLESS IMPAC	Cordless impact driver		
WO3019	Use of airlines in workshop		
Qualifications and Training			
GT0700	Tool Box Talk		
GT0010	Induction Training		

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	General noise assessment for tree works where power tools and machines are used		Ref. HEA6013
Category	Health	Subcategory	Noise Assessment
			Ver. 6

Hazards and Risks Identified

Hearing damage due to machinery and equipment use

Noise affecting employees ability to hear instructions or warning

Noise from machinery and equipment

Working environment

Persons at Risk

Employees

Members of the public

Third party employees

Equipment operator

Office staff

Visitors

Others in vicinity

Relevant Publications

HSE Noise at work a Brief Guide to Controlling noise at work Indg 362 (Rev2) [View](#)

HSE Controlling Noise At Work - The control of noise at works Regs 2005 L108 Second edition [View](#)

AIS27 Pwer 98 [View](#)

Risk Control Measures Required

Hearing protection must be worn when machinery or equipment In use

Regular medical and hearing test

Rotate use of equipment between team

Machine switched off when not in use

Safety decals, hazard warning signs visible on entry and throughout the workshop

Machinery maintained in accordance with manufacturers instructions

Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment

PPE Required

Ear defenders SNR 30 -33 (EN 352-3)

Desc Ppe1

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	General noise assessment for tree works where power tools and machines are used			Ref.	HEA6013
Category	Health	Subcategory	Noise Assessment	Ver.	6

Emergency Plans

SMA Where necessary seek medical advice

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

- Regular site audits
- Supervision
- Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	21/12/2020
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		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Bee, wasp or hornet sting			Ref. HEA6017
Category	Health	Subcategory	Bee/wasp/hornet sting	Ver. 4

Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment	
NAE	No additional equipment required	NAE	No additional equipment required

Qualifications and Training	
FTS220	Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified
Site of sting painful, red, swollen and itchy
Mild allergic reaction area around sting remains painful for up to a week
Sever allergic reaction difficulties in breathing, dizziness and swollen face or mouth

Persons at Risk
Employees
Members of the public
Third party employees
Equipment operator
Office staff
Visitors
Operator

Relevant Publications	
NHS Guidance on Bee, wasp and hornet stings	View
First Aid at Work	View
First Aid at Work Regs 1981	View

Risk Control Measures Required
Be careful around compost heaps, rubbish, tree cavities and holes in embankments
Long sleeved top and trousers

PPE Required
Chainsaw trousers type C (C-EN 381-5)
Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)
Chainsaw safety boots (EN 20345)

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Bee, wasp or hornet sting			Ref.	HEA6017
Category	Health	Subcategory	Bee/wasp/hornet sting	Ver.	4

Emergency Plans

WAAR	Wash affected area with soap and water
ACSC	Avoid scratching the area of the sting
SMA	Where necessary seek medical advice
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit
TFA	Trained first aider on site
A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	15/08/2022
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		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity **General Works**

Ref. **HEA6018**

Category Health

Subcategory Snake bite

Ver. 2

No Equipment Selected

No Extra Equipment Selected

Qualifications and Training

GT0010 Induction Training

GT0700 Tool Box Talk

FTS220 Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified

Site of sting painful, red, swollen and itchy

Persons at Risk

Employees

Members of the public

Third party employees

Visitors

Relevant Publications

Snake Bites

[View](#)

First Aid at Work Regs 1981

[View](#)

Risk Control Measures Required

Phones switched on and charged

Minimum of two arborists on site

PPE worn during operation

Wear non-snag clothing

First aid kit onsite

Gloves to be worn at all times while onsite

Do not attempt to touch the snake

PPE Required

Chainsaw trousers type C (C-EN 381-5)

Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

Ear defenders SNR 30 -33 (EN 352-3)

Gloves chainsaw protection (EN 381-7:1999)

Visor eye protection (EN 1731)

No COSHH Assessment Selected

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	General Works			Ref.	HEA6018
Category	Health	Subcategory	Snake bite	Ver.	2

Emergency Plans	
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site
EMER	Seek medical advice immediately
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit
TFA	Trained first aider on site
A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required	
Supervision	
Regular site audits	

Assessed By	Georgiana Macnab	Date of Assessment	08/05/2024
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Removal of failed trees (grubbing out) **Ref.** TRE1031

Category Tree Work **Subcategory** Young Tree Maintenance including watering **Ver.** 4

Standard Equipment

SI1	Signs, cones & barriers
ISP	Insulated spade
IFO	Insulated fork
RAK	Rake
BRO	Broom
CAT	Cat & Genny
SHS	Silky hand saw or similar

Extra Equipment

NOE No equipment required

Qualifications and Training

GT0700	Tool Box Talk
GT0020	First Aid + F
GT0280	Cat & Genny Cable Avoidance

Hazards and Risks Identified

Falls, trips, slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Eye injury caused by flying debris or materials
Struck by moving vehicles while working on or adjacent to a highway
Lower back pain
Muscle sprain or strain
Cuts to hands from secateurs or saw

Persons at Risk

Employees
Members of the public
Third party property
Highway users - Vehicles, motor cyclists, cyclists and pedestrians

Relevant Publications

HSE Hsg 47 Avoiding Danger from Underground Services	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View
First Aid at Work Regs 1981	View
HSE Manual Handling 01/20 Indg 143 (rev4)	View

Risk Control Measures Required

Pre use check carried out on hand tools confirming they are fit for use
Work area demarcated with signs, cones and barriers
Stop all operations in the event of unauthorised entry into the work site
Traffic management in place before works commence
Gloves to be worn at all times while onsite
Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR
Service plans obtained and onsite where practical

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Removal of failed trees (grubbing out)		Ref.	TRE1031
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Young Tree Maintenance including watering	Ver. 4

PPE Required

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Visor eye protection (EN 1731)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Heavy duty work trousers or overalls

Safety helmet ground work only (EN 397)

Emergency Plans

VFAK Vehicle first aid kit

TFA Trained first aider on site

A&E Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

EMP Charged and functional mobile phone on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	21/12/2020
Verified By	Tom Pearson	Date of Verification	30/12/2025
		Next Assessment Review Date	30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Tree Planting (Whip to Heavy Standard)		Ref. TRE1039
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory Tree planting	Ver. 5

Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment	
SI1	Signs, cones & barriers	NAE	No additional equipment required
PSR	Post rammer		
ISP	Insulated spade		
IFO	Insulated fork		
RAK	Rake		
BRO	Broom		
CAT	Cat & Genny		
SHS	Silky hand saw or similar		
ROOT	Rootball trolley		
HAMM	Claw hammer		
SEC	Secateurs		

Qualifications and Training	
GT0015	Safe Manual Handling of Objects
GT0280	Cat & Genny Cable Avoidance
GT0125	YOUNG TREE MAINTENANCE
FTS220	Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified
Puncture wound
Electrocution contact with live or arcing electrical installations
Muscle sprain or strain
Impact injury to hand from hammer
Underground service strike

Persons at Risk
Employees
Members of the public
Highway users - Vehicles, motor cyclists, cyclists and pedestrians
Visitors

Relevant Publications	
HSE Hsg 47 Avoiding Danger from Underground Services	View
HSE Manual Handling 01/20 Indg 143 (rev4)	View
Safety at Street Works and Road Works (ACOP) The Red Book	View
Safe Work Procedure - Tree Planting	View
HSE Controlling Noise At Work - The control of noise at works Regs 2005 L108 Second edition	View
First Aid at Work Regs 1981	View

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Tree Planting (Whip to Heavy Standard)

Ref. TRE1039

Category Tree Work

Subcategory Tree planting

Ver. 5

Risk Control Measures Required

Minimum of two arborists on site

PPE worn during operation

Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment

Work area demarcated with signs, cones and barriers

Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR

Adopt safe stance and posture when using equipment

Service plans obtained and onsite where practical

PPE Required

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Safety helmet aerial tree and ground work (EN 1292)

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Heavy duty work trousers or overalls

Ear defenders SNR 30 -33 (EN 352-3)

Emergency Plans

TFA Trained first aider on site

A&E Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

EMP Charged and functional mobile phone on site

VFAK Vehicle first aid kit

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By Gary Scammell

Date of Assessment 24/03/2021

Verified By Tom Pearson

Date of Verification 30/12/2025

Next Assessment Review Date 30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Extra Heavy Standard to Semi - Mature

Ref. TRE1046

Category Tree Work **Subcategory** Tree planting

Ver. 6

Standard Equipment

HIAB	Lorry fitted with Hiab crane
AVANT	Avant loader or similar tele handler
EX360	Use of a 360 excavator
UNGUY	Underground guying kit for large trees
ISP	Insulated spade
IFO	Insulated fork
RAK	Rake
BRO	Broom
CAT	Cat & Genny

Extra Equipment

NAE No additional equipment required

Qualifications and Training

GT0015	Safe Manual Handling of Objects
GT0010	Induction Training
GT0280	Cat & Genny Cable Avoidance
GT0370	TELEHANDLER
GT0390	360 EXCAVATOR
GT0410	Avant Training
FTS220	Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified

Falls, trips, slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Crush injury from falling objects, tree or branch
Puncture wound
Electrocution contact with live or arcing electrical installations
Muscle sprain or strain
Cuts to hands from secateurs or saw
Underground service strike

Persons at Risk

Employees
Third party employees
Third party property
Members of the public
Visitors

Relevant Publications

Avoiding Danger From Underground Services Hsg 47 (Third Edition)	View
Safe Work Procedure - Tree Planting	View
HSE Manual Handling 01/20 Indg 143 (rev4)	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Extra Heavy Standard to Semi - Mature		Ref.	TRE1046
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Tree planting	Ver. 6

HSE Safe use of work work equipment regulations L22

[View](#)

First Aid at Work Regs 1981

[View](#)

Risk Control Measures Required

Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment

Pre use check carried out on hand tools confirming they are fit for use

Work area demarcated with signs, cones and barriers

Visual inspection to confirm no overhead cables in close proximity to tree or branch

Adopt safe stance and posture when using equipment

Where possible use mechanical lifting aids, machinery or equipment

Pre use checks carried out on plant by operator

Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR

PPE Required

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Safety helmet aerial tree and ground work (EN 1292)

Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)

Heavy duty work trousers or overalls

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

No COSHH Assessment Selected

Emergency Plans

A&E	Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment
TFA	Trained first aider on site
EMP	Charged and functional mobile phone on site
VFAK	Vehicle first aid kit

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	16/04/2021
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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Post rammer used to insert tree stakes			Ref.	TRE1047
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Tree planting	Ver.	5
Standard Equipment			Extra Equipment		
PORA	Post rammer		MPW	Multi purpose work platform	
Qualifications and Training					
GT0015	Safe Manual Handling of Objects				
FTS220	Emergency First Aid				
Hazards and Risks Identified					
Impact injury when raising or lowering rammer onto tree stake or post					
Hand injury, dislocation of fingers when raising or lowering the post rammer					
Muscle sprain or strain					
Underground service strike					
Persons at Risk					
Employees					
Third party employees					
Third party property					
Visitors					
Relevant Publications					
HSE Manual Handling 01/20 Indg 143 (rev4)				View	
AIS27 Puwer 98				View	
First Aid at Work Regs 1981				View	
Risk Control Measures Required					
Minimum of two arborists on site					
Adopt safe stance and posture when using equipment					
Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR					
PPE Required					
Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)					
Safety helmet aerial tree and ground work (EN 1292)					
Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)					
Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)					
Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)					
Heavy duty work trousers or overalls					

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity Post rammer used to insert tree stakes

Ref. TRE1047

Category Tree Work

Subcategory Tree planting

Ver. 5

Emergency Plans

TFA Trained first aider on site

A&E Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

EMP Charged and functional mobile phone on site

VFAK Vehicle first aid kit

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By Gary Scammell

Date of Assessment 19/04/2021

Verified By Tom Pearson

Date of Verification 30/12/2025

Next Assessment Review Date 30/12/2026

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Use of mechanised post rammer			Ref. TRE1048
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Tree planting	Ver. 4
Standard Equipment		Extra Equipment		
MECHPOS	Mechansied post rammer	NAE	No additional equipment required	

Qualifications and Training

GT0015	Safe Manual Handling of Objects
GT0660	Manufacturers or Supplier Training Specific to Machine or Equipment
FTS220	Emergency First Aid

Hazards and Risks Identified

Impact injury when raising or lowering rammer onto tree stake or post
Hand injury, dislocation of fingers when raising or lowering the post rammer
Falls, trips,slips, cuts, abrasions, sprains and bone fractures
Hand arm vibration syndrome caused by use of hand held power tools
Noise from machinery and equipment
Muscle sprain or strain
Underground service strike

Persons at Risk

Employees
Members of the public
Third party employees
Equipment operator
Visitors

Relevant Publications

HSE Noise at work a Brief Guide to Controlling noise at work Indg 362 (Rev2)	View
HSE Hand -arm vibration guide Indg 296 (rev2)	View
AIS27 Puwer 98	View
First Aid at Work Regs 1981	View
Safe Work Procedure - Tree Planting	View

Risk Control Measures Required

Only trained and or qualified operatives to use equipment
Minimum of two arborists on site
Machinery maintained in accordance with manufacturers instructions
Pre-use checks carried out confirming all safety features are present and functional on power tools and equipment
Adopt safe stance and posture when using equipment
Rotate use of machine between the team
Survey for underground services before commencing excavation using Cat & Genny or GPR

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Use of mechanised post rammer		Ref. TRE1048
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Tree planting
			Ver. 4

PPE Required

Hi Vis clothing class 1 - 3 (EN 20471)

Safety helmet aerial tree and ground work (EN 1292)

Ear defenders SNR 30 -33 (EN 352-3)

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Gloves abrasion protection (EN 388)

Safety footwear standard (EN 20345)

Heavy duty work trousers or overalls

COSHH Assessment

ALL1000 Unleaded Petrol

Emergency Plans

TFA Trained first aider on site

A&E Location of nearest accident & emergency department identified and recorded on site specific risk assessment

EMP Charged and functional mobile phone on site

VFAK Vehicle first aid kit

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required

Regular site audits

Supervision

Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

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Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Pruning with handsaw			Ref.	TRE1060
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Use of a handsaw (Silky Range/Felco) blades that cut on the pull stroke	Ver.	2

Standard Equipment

HASA	Handsaw (Silky Range/Felco) blade cuts on pull stroke type
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No Extra Equipment Selected

Qualifications and Training

GT0016	Emergency First Aid + F
GT0700	Tool Box Talk

Hazards and Risks Identified

Puncture wound

Cuts to hands and or arms,from contact with teeth of saw blade

Eye injury caused by flying debris or materials

Persons at Risk

Employees

Relevant Publications

Silky Saw Technical Guide

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Risk Control Measures Required

Keep free hand away from the saw blade when cutting.

Only cut on the pull stroke

Do not force the blade on the push stroke

PPE worn during operation

Pre use check carried out on hand tools confirming they are fit for use

Gloves to be worn at all times while onsite

PPE Required

Gloves abrasion protection when using hand saw at ground level or from a MEWP

Eye protection glasses or goggles (EN 166)

Visor eye protection (EN 1731)

No COSHH Assessment Selected

Generic Risk Assessment

Activity	Pruning with handsaw			Ref.	TRE1060
Category	Tree Work	Subcategory	Use of a handsaw (Silky Range/Felco) blades that cut on the pull stroke	Ver.	2

Emergency Plans	
TFA	Team first aid including trauma kit on site
EYW	Eye wash available on site

Action Plan and Further Control Measures Required
Regular site audits
Supervision
Monitor and review assessment including residual risks

Assessed By	Gary Scammell	Date of Assessment	29/05/2024
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