

PARKS AND GARDENS MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT COMPETENCY

Training and assessments conducted by **Peter Tutt**, holder of Certificate IV Training and Assessment (TAE40116) for assessment to safely use a specified range of hand parks and gardens equipment to manufacturers recommendation and WA OHS Acts (1984 and 2020)

Purpose

This course covers the process of operating and maintaining machinery and equipment and defines the standard required to: carry out pre-operational checks and maintenance; tag and report defects if necessary; secure attachments according to manufacturer's directions; operate machinery in a safe and controlled manner; implement shut-down and storage procedures; record maintenance and operation details.

Recognition of Training

A Certificate of Competency and /or Verification of Competency (VOC) will be issued to applicants who meet the assessment criteria required for this competency. This may require supplementary evidence in the form of a report from a suitable supervisor, or further assessment.

Location

Courses will where practicable be conducted on client's premises. Sufficient concrete will be needed for each operator to demonstrate practical competency with the equipment. If sufficient area or venue is not available, a venue and practical activity site may be organised at additional cost.

Duration

- ½ - 1 day (depending on prior experience of participants).

Course Fees

The courses can be run in groups of 6 to 10 participants (depending on equipment mix) at a cost of:

\$290.00 (GST Free) per person

Content Summary

- Personal protective equipment
- Pre- Start Inspections
- Correct tool selection
- Equipment operation techniques
- Practical application and skills development
- Written / verbal assessment
- Practical assessment
- Knowledge assessment



Range Statement

Parks and Gardens Equipment may include the following:

Lawn mowers
Line cutters (brushcutters)
Lawn edgers
Ride on mowers
Blowers
Hedgetrimmers
Horticultural tillage equipment
Pressure washers
Pumps.

Note: This course does not normally apply to chainsaws or pole saws due to the extensive maintenance requirements they require.

Personal Protective Equipment

Participants will need to wear their own personal protective equipment. All other required equipment and training notes are provided for participant's use.

This includes:

- Machinery and equipment
- Safety equipment
 - Approved eye protection
 - Hearing protection (ear plugs or ear muffs)
 - Safety boots
 - Gloves (where applicable)
 - Close fitting clothing
 - Breathing equipment (where applicable)

Demonstration of Competence:

From experience, we find that people have different levels of ability and experience when it comes to handling machinery.

If a person, due to a lack of experience, requires more time to develop their skills, more time for practical application may be needed to develop their skills to a competent level.

Application

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, work health and safety requirements, manufacturer's specifications and sustainability practices.

This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for their own work. They undertake defined activities and work in a structured context.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.