

Wildlife Danger Tree Certification

Forest Harvesting & Silviculture Module

Locations:

October 25-26, 2011	Vernon, BC
October 20-21, 2011	Prince George, BC
November TBA	Nanaimo, BC



Check back for new courses being scheduled

Times:	8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Cost:	\$405.00 new participants \$360.00 recertifications

Workshop Overview

This two-day classroom and field course trains participants to identify wildlife trees and assess steps necessary to ensure worker safety and habitat protection when operating around wildlife/dangerous trees. Upon successful completion of this course, participants will be able to identify potential habitat, determine which trees are safe and dangerous in various settings, determine if dangerous trees should be removed or modified, and establish no-work zones. This process is applicable to all work activities in forested settings eg. harvesting (especially relevant to partial cutting where various group retention, shelterwood or individual tree retention systems are employed), silviculture, roads, etc. This certification is recognized by Worksafe BC.

Prerequisites

- Three or more years of experience working in the area of forestry, resource management, parks management, wildland fire protection, arboriculture or a related field
- Basic reading, writing and arithmetic skills (including ability to calculate percentages), and
- Ability to identify tree species native to BC

Note: Three day inhouse courses are available for those groups who need an extra day to ensure that they are fully prepared and able to meet the challenges of the course examination

Audience

Foresters, engineers, forest technicians, forest workers, consultants, wildlife habitat specialists, WCB field inspectors, and individuals who require detailed knowledge of the Wildlife/Danger tree assessment procedures as part of their duties.

Equipment

Required: Hard hat, field notebook, appropriate outdoor clothing

Suggested: Increment borer, clinometer, binoculars, diameter tape, and 15 cm pocket scale, 20 cm regular screwdriver.

PASSING GRADE for exams

A combined average of 75% for the oral (field) exam and written (class) exam is required, including a minimum 85% on the oral exam. This standard applies to the full two-day course as well as the one-day Recertification/Upgrade course. A minimum score of 75% is required on the challenge exam.

Recertification / Upgrade

Please contact us for more information on times and locations for recertification. Assessor's qualifications are good for a 4 year period from the date of successful completion.

For more detailed information check Wildlife Tree Committee website

<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/values/wildlife/WLT/Training.htm>

(you can download a pdf copy of the course workbook here for pre reading)

Course Sponsors

- Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands
- Worksafe BC
- Ministry of Environment - BC Parks

Check our website for more information on the other WLDT course modules:

- Parks and Recreation
- Harvesting / Silviculture
- Recertification and Upgrade

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Course manuals can be downloaded in pdf format from the Continuing Studies website. Pre-reading is recommended but not mandatory. A copy of the manual will be handed out at the course.

Note: ISA continuing education credits available for this course

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Wildlife Danger Tree Certification

Parks & Recreation Module

Locations:

October 27-28, 2011

Vernon, BC

Check back for new courses being scheduled

Times: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$405.00 new participants
\$360.00 recertifications



Workshop Overview

The Parks Branch of the Ministry of Environment in cooperation with the Wildlife Tree Committee has undertaken a modification of the existing Wildlife/Danger Tree Assessment Course for forestry operations. This course is developed and designed specifically for Parks, Recreation Sites and other municipal settings where there may be exposure to potentially dangerous trees. Participants will learn how to identify wildlife and dangerous trees, and determine steps necessary to enhance worker/public safety and habitat protection when operating around wildlife/dangerous trees. This two-day course combines both classroom sessions and field practice in a local park or municipal setting. Upon successful completion of this course, participants will be able to identify potential habitat, determine which trees are safe and dangerous in various settings, determine if dangerous trees should be removed or modified, and establish hazard zones. This certification is recognized by Worksafe BC.

Prerequisites

- three or more years of experience working in the area of forestry, resource management, parks management, wildland fire protection, arboriculture or a related field
- basic reading, writing and arithmetic skills (including ability to calculate percentages), and
- ability to identify tree species native to BC
- some experience in grounds/parks maintenance, planning or supervision

Note: Three day inhouse courses are available for those groups who need an extra day to ensure that they are fully prepared and able to meet the challenges of the course examination

Audience

Arborists, foresters, technicians, biologists, and others involved in tree maintenance and hazard/danger tree assessment in parks, urban and municipal corridors (roads, boulevards, trails) and other locations where there is exposure of potentially dangerous trees to facilities (eg: building, campgrounds) or to people.

Equipment

Required: Hard hat, field notebook, appropriate outdoor clothing

Suggested: Increment borer, clinometer, binoculars, diameter tape, 15 cm pocket scale, 20 cm regular screwdriver

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Wildlife Danger Tree Certification

Wildland Fire Safety Module

Locations:

October 12-13, 2011 Kamloops, BC
October 18-19, 2011 Prince George, BC

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Times: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Cost: \$405.00 new participants
 \$360.00 recertifications

Workshop Overview

This two-day training course provides information and technique and establishing appropriate safe work practices in situations dangerous trees to workers involved in wildland fire fighting. It also provides information on habitat quality which can be used to retain some high-value wildlife trees where opportunities exist to assess both tree hazards and wildlife tree habitat value (eg. in sustained action fires where there is sufficient time to assess wildlife tree habitat components). Fire crews involved in wildland fire fighting do not have the time to complete a detailed tree assessment to determine if trees that appear dangerous might actually be assessed as safe. Consequently, this course primarily focuses on worker safety and tree defects which are visually inspected and rated as having "high defect failure potential". This certification is recognized by Worksafe BC

Prerequisites

- Persons must demonstrate that they have recent fireline experience (at least 10 days over the previous 2 years); OR that they have 5 days of documented danger tree assessment experience (forestry, parks or wildfire operations) in the previous calendar year
- Three or more years of experience working in the area of forestry, resource management, parks management, wildland fire protection, arboriculture or a related field
- Completion of the S100 Basic Fire Suppression course.
- Basic reading, writing and arithmetic skills (including ability to calculate percentages), and
- Ability to identify tree species native to BC

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Audience

Wildland fire fighters, contractors, consultants, MoFML, MoF Protection, and professional fallers who wish to learn more about wildlife/danger tree assessments applicable to post-fire forestry activities (eg. tree planting burned areas), should take this module in conjunction with the Forest Harvesting and Silviculture module.

Equipment

Personal field gear (including hardhat), 20 cm regular screwdriver, boots, ruler, compass, field notebook and bag lunch.

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UNBC Continuing Studies - WILDLIFE DANGER TREE REGISTRATION FORM

COURSE INFORMATION - WILDLIFE DANGER TREE ASSESSOR CERTIFICATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Harvesting & Silviculture	Course Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Recertification/Upgrade
<input type="checkbox"/> Wildland Fire Safety	Location	Course Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation		GST --- EXEMPT ---
<input type="checkbox"/> I have read and meet the pre-requisites for this course.		Total Payable
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize release of my contact information to contractors looking to hire assessors.		

STUDENT INFORMATION

NOTE: The following must be your legal names for use on all official UNBC documentation

Last/Family Name									
Legal First Name						Middle Initial			
Former Name (if applicable)									
Preferred First Name									
Birthdate and gender are MANDATORY for identification and statistical purposes.									
Date of Birth (eg: 14 MAY 1980)	D	D	M	O	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gender	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>								
UNBC Student Number (if known)									

COMPANY INFORMATION

(if registering through work)

Company Name			
Branch			

COMPANY MAILING ADDRESS

Address 1			
Address 2			
City or Town			
Province		Postal Code	

Telephone Number			
Fax Number			
Email Address			

Please provide a valid email address as it will be used for course confirmations.

HOME MAILING ADDRESS

NOTE: ALL UNBC correspondence will be delivered to this address

Address 1			
Address 2			
City or Town			
Province		Postal Code	

Telephone Number			
Email Address			

Please provide a valid email address as it will be used for course confirmations.

KEY CONTACT (If applicable)

Please complete this section if someone other than the student is completing the registration form.

Name			
Telephone Number			
Email Address			

PAYMENT INFORMATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque (made payable to "UNBC Continuing Studies")	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA
<input type="checkbox"/> Money Order (Canadian Funds Only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Master Card
	<input type="checkbox"/> American Express

Card Number			Expiry Date	
Cardholder Name			Signature	