Greenkeeper Training

A guide to the range of training provided throughout the UK

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Golf Course Managers should ensure that their staff are trained to the highest standards. This begins by selecting a training provider that meets the criteria laid down by the GTC. There is a clear link between education, training and economic success and all clubs should invest in the education of their staff.

There are now a number of GTC Quality Assured Centres and Training Providers identified by the GTC Quality Assured logo.

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Short course in Chainsaw, Tree Climbing and Rescue Techniques, Plant Operations, Pesticide Spraying and Norsco Certification/Courses.

Gosta
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SVQ Level 2 and 3 Modern Apprenticeship in Greenkeeping, Sportsturf and Landscape. Attendance Day release or Distance Learning. SVQ Level 4 Management is available with flexible learning options. Lantra and NPTC Industry related short courses with certification include Pesticide courses, Chainsaw, full range of Machinery training, First Aid and many more. Candidates may use their Individual Learning Account to fund many of the courses. Training courses are available in Glasgow and Edinburgh areas throughout the year.

GTC QUALITY ASSURED CENTRES AND TRAINING PROVIDERS

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A range of courses delivered throughout the South West: Levels 2 and 3 Work Based Diplomas and Apprenticeships in Horticulture, Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship. NVQ 4 Horticulture (Management). Level 2 and 3 Diplomas in Horticulture (Including Sustainable Horticulture) RHS and HNC Horticulture. HND/HNC in Garden and Landscaping Design. RHS Level 1, 2 and Advanced Certificates. Also short courses in pesticides, plant machinery vehicles, and chainsaws. Distance learning available via e-portfolios.

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In addition we provide on-demand work-based apprenticeships at Levels 2 and 3.

Oaklands College offers on demand, on-line learning in City and Guilds levels 2, 3, 4 and NVQ and City and Guilds lecturers for Industry. Further information and access to courses can be obtained from the GTC. The Greenkeepers Training Committee (GTC) are continually reviewing industry-recognised training courses and awards and will place them so that they are fully recognised in the GTC. A full list of GTC approved training providers can be obtained from the GTC.

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