

GREENKEEPER

The Greenkeepers Training Committee (GTC) are continually reviewing the approved status of colleges offering greenkeeper training courses. This guide shows colleges offering courses to craft, supervisory and management levels, but it must be stated that until the GTC review is completed only the green coded colleges are approved to train greenkeepers beyond craft level. The introduction of vocational

qualifications into industries, has caused the colleges to re-think their training policies and the GTC will be issuing guidelines for the golf greenkeeping industry as to which colleges employers and their staff should be supporting. Anyone with a query regarding greenkeeper training should contact the Greenkeeper Training Committee at Aldwark Manor, Aldwark, Aine, York YO61 1UF, Tel: 01347 838640.

NORTH



ASKHAM BRYAN COLLEGE Askham Bryan, York YO23 3FR. Contact: The Registry Tel: 01904 772211. National Certificate in Horticulture, National Diploma in Horticulture (Turf Option), Higher National Diploma in Horticulture (Golf Management Option) all available full or part time. Block release courses: NVQ Level 2 Greenkeeping, NVQ Level 3 Greenkeeping and Sportsturf Maintenance, NVQ Level 4 Amenity Horticulture. Short courses: FEPA spraying, chainsaw and brushcutter courses.



REASEHEATH COLLEGE Nantwich, Cheshire CW5 6DF. Tel: 01270 625131 Fax: 01270 625665. E-mail: rheath1@reasheath.ac.uk Website: www.reasheath.ac.uk Full time: BTEC First Diploma Horticulture (Sportsturf Option) - 1 year. BTEC National Diploma Horticulture (Sportsturf Option) - 2 years. BTEC Higher National Diploma Golf Course Management - 3 years. Part-time: HNC Golf Course Management - Distance Learning. NVQ Level 1 Greenkeeping - Day Release. NVQ Level 2 Greenkeeping - Day/Block Release. NVQ Level 3 Greenkeeping - Day/Block Release. C&G Phase IV Greenkeeping - Block Release. IoG National Intermediate Diploma in Turf Culture - Day Release. IoG National Diploma - Day Release. Short Courses: FEPA Chemical Safety; Safe Lifting; Chainsaws; Off-Road Vehicle Driving; First Aid. NVQ Level 4.



HOUGHALL COLLEGE Durham College of Agriculture and Horticulture, Houghall, Durham DH1 3SG. Contact Tony Milan. Tel: 0191 386 1351. Full time courses: National Certificate in Horticulture/Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship - 1 year; National Diploma in Horticulture Turf Option - 2/3 years. Part time courses: Greenkeeping and Sportsturf Management Level 2 - Day release; NVQ Level 3 Amenity Horticulture - Afternoon-Evening. Short Courses: Health & Safety Legislation; Turfcare; Machinery & Mechanisation. All courses contribute towards NVQ Levels 1 and 2.



MYERSCOUGH COLLEGE Bilbottle, PRESTON, Lancashire PR3 0RY. Contact: Course Enquiries Tel: 01995 640740 Fax: 01995 640842 Email mailbox@myerscough.ac.uk WWW http://www.myerscough.ac.uk. Full time courses: BSc (Hons) Turfgrass Science - 4 years; HND Turf Science and Golf Course Management - 3 Years; ND Turf Science and Sportsground Management - 3 years; National Certificate Groundsmanship and Greenkeeping - 1 year. Part time courses: NVQ Level 2 and 3 Greenkeeping and Sportsturf Maintenance (plus Fast track option); Higher National Diploma Turf Science and Golf Course Management; Certificate and Diploma in Turf Irrigation; FEPA short courses.

MIDLANDS



BRACKENHURST COLLEGE Southwell, Nottinghamshire NG25 0QF Contact Student Administration Tel: 01636 817099. BTEC First Diploma C&G National Certificate, BTEC National Diploma, RHS Diploma, BTEC HND in Landscape Design and BSc (Honours) in Urban and Rural Open Space Management both in conjunction with The Nottingham Trent University. Part-time courses include GTC & RHS day release, evening and short courses.



RODBASTON COLLEGE Rodbaston, Penkridge, Stafford ST19 5PH. Contact Nigel Foskett. Tel: 01785 712209. Courses offered: NVQ Level 1,2,3 and 4 by Day Release. FEPA and chainsaw training.



BROOMFIELD COLLEGE Morley, Ilkeston, Derby DE7 6DN. Contact Admissions Officer. Tel: 01332 831345. NVQ Level I and Level II Amenity Horticulture (Greenkeeping) Block Release course. Two years duration presented in 12 one-week blocks following guidelines of GTC Training Manual. NVQ Level III gained by 9x 3-day blocks or day release or APL service. Also available TDLB, Pesticides, Chainsaws and First Aid Training.



WARWICKSHIRE COLLEGE, Moreton Morrell, Warwick CV35 9BL. Contact Brian Cook. Tel: 01926 318268. Greenkeeping courses - NVQ levels 2 and 3 (day release), NVQ levels 2 and 3 underpinning knowledge only (block release), NVQ level 4 (block release), IOG National Intermediate Diploma (evening class), 2-year ND in Horticulture with turf culture option. We also offer short courses in FEPA, Chainsaw, First Aid etc to cater for individual and company training needs: Call us to discuss your requirements.



THE COLLEGE OF WEST ANGLIA offers a range of programmes for Greenkeepers including NVQ Levels I, II and III. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact our Milton Campus on 01223 860701 or Student Support at King's Lynn on 01553 761144 Ext 271.

SOUTH EAST



HADLOW COLLEGE, Hadlow, Tonbridge, Kent TN11 0AL. Contact Tony Leach Tel (01732) 850551. First Diploma Sports Turf Management, National Diploma in Horticulture (Sports Turf Option). NVQ Level II and Level III. Part-time Day Release or evenings. Level II in Groundsmanship evenings. NVQ III Golf Greenkeeping. Centres at Hadlow, Canterbury, Maidstone and Mottingham.



NESCOT North East Surrey College of Technology, Reigate Road, Ewell, Epsom, Surrey KT17 3DS. Contact Dr S Shaw. Tel: 0181 394 3220/3049. NVQ Levels I, II and III in Amenity Horticulture (Greenkeeping options) Training and assessment for the Greenkeepers Training Manual. Part time, Day Release. Duration: Two years to Level II. FEPA Spraying Courses.



PLUMPTON COLLEGE, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 3AE. Contact: David Blackmur. Tel No: 01273 890454 Full time courses: National Diploma in Amenity Horticulture (options in Landscaping and Sportsturf); National Certificate in Amenity Horticulture; First Diploma in Horticulture. Part-time courses: NVQ Level 1, Level 2 Amenity Horticulture in Decorative, Nursery, Hard Landscape and Sportsturf, Level 3 Amenity in Decorative and Sportsturf, Level 4 Amenity. Also available are RHS General and Diploma and IOG National Technical and National Diploma (Int). Short courses are also available for FEPA spraying and chainsaw courses.



OTLEY COLLEGE Otley College, Otley, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 9EY. Contact Course Enquiries. Tel: 01473 785543. ESF Bursaries may be available for full-time courses: National Certificate in Horticulture, option in Sports Turf Technology. Part time NVQ 2 Golf Greenkeeping and NVQ 2 Groundsmanship, NVQ 3 Sports Turf Management. IoG Intermediate and Final Diplomas (Evenings). NVQ Horticultural Mechanics. FEPA Courses PA1, PA2, PA6. Otley College * Developing individuals * Achieving more.

TRAINING

A GUIDE TO THE COLLEGES AND COURSES AVAILABLE

KEY TO COLOURS

Currently GTC approved at Regional Training Centres, offering courses at Craft, Supervisory and Management levels

Currently GTC approved for training courses up to Supervisory level

Currently GTC approved for training courses up to Craft level only

Pending GTC approval for all courses

Please note that all the college details published in this guide were supplied by the colleges themselves. Greenkeeper International takes no responsibility for accuracy of information provided. Contact the college directly for prospectuses and comprehensive information.

SOUTH EAST



BRINSBURY COLLEGE North Heath, Pulborough, West Sussex RH20 1DL. Contact Keith Harrison. Tel 01798 877400. Full time courses. (Subject to approval) HNC sportsturf sciences management. BTEC 1st Diploma Horticulture with Greenkeeping option. National Diploma Landscape Studies, Sportsturf and Greenkeeping option. Part time: NVQ II Greenkeeping. Day release. Both full time and part time students. Greenkeeping manual. (National Technical Certificate) with Inst. of Groundsmanship manual may be delivered as an evening course. NVQ Level III Sportsturf Maintenance. National Practical Certificate NID, NDT (IOG)



OAKLANDS COLLEGE Oaklands Campus, Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts AL4 0JA. Contact Ian Merrick. Tel: 01727 737000 Fax: 01727 737752. Full time courses: National Certificate in Greenkeeping and Sports Turf Management. Part-time courses: leading to NVQ Level 2 Greenkeeping, Modern Apprenticeships. Evening courses: leading to NVQ Levels 3 and 4. Short courses: Pesticide, Chainsaw, Greenkeeper Mechanics.



Berkshire College of Agriculture

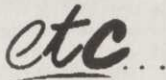
BERKSHIRE COLLEGE Hall Place, Burchetts Green, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 6QR. Tel: 01628 824444 Fax: 01628 824695 Full-time courses: BTEC First & National Diploma. Part-time courses: GTC Manual - NVQ2 and 3 Amenity, Sports Turf (day & block release); Short courses: FEPA, Horticultural Machinery, Chainsaws, Greenkeeping for Golfers
Regional Centre for Leisure and Land based Industries & Professions



MERRISTWOOD COLLEGE, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey, GU3 3PE contact D I Rhodes. Tel: 01483 884003. Fax: 01483 884001. E-mail: info@merristwood.ac.uk. Full time courses: National Certificate in Greenkeeping and Sports Turf Management, National Diploma in Greenkeeping & Sports Turf Management. Part time courses: NVQ Amenity Horticulture Greenkeeping Level 1, NVQ Amenity Horticulture Greenkeeping Level 2, NVQ Amenity Horticulture Greenkeeping Level 2 (block release), NVQ Amenity Horticulture Sports Turf Maintenance Level 3, NVQ Amenity Horticulture Sports Turf Maintenance Level 3 (afternoon/evening release), Higher National Certificate Turf Science (subject to approval) 1999. Various short courses throughout the year.



EASTON COLLEGE Norfolk's College of the Countryside. Sportsturf qualifications, Amenity Horticulture and Rural Resource Management. For details contact the registry on 01603 742105. Easton College, Easton Hall, Easton, Norwich, Norfolk NR9 5DX Tel: 01603 742105 Fax: 01603741438



EALING TERTIARY COLLEGE Norwood Hall School of Horticulture and Floristry at Ealing Tertiary College, Norwood Green, Southall, Middx UB2 4LA. Information Centre: 0345 023883. Courses range from Sportsturf Management, Nursery Practice, Turfculture to Groundsmanship, Horticulture, Garden Design and Floristry. All levels offered to suit enthusiasts, amateurs and professionals.

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CANNINGTON COLLEGE Cannington Bridgwater, Somerset TA5 2LS. Contact Huw Parry: 01278 655084. BTEC Higher National Diploma in Sports Science (Golf Option). BTEC National Diploma in Sports Science (Golf Studies), Higher National Certificate Golf Course Management, BTEC First Diploma, BTEC National Diploma in Golf Course Management, BTEC Higher National Diploma Golf Course Management (inc. European Studies) NVQ Level I and II Golf Greenkeeping, NVQ Level III Greenkeeping and Supervisory Management, NVQ Level IV Greenkeeping Management, FEPA Training, Chainsaw Certification, Off-road Vehicle Certification, Greenkeeper Mechanics.



HARTPURY COLLEGE Hartpury House, Gloucester GL19 3BE. Hartpury Marketing Tel: 01452 830065 Fax: 01452 700629. Courses available: First Diploma Horticulture, National Certificate Horticulture, National Diploma Landscaping, First Diploma Greenkeeping, Certificate in Greenkeeping, National Diploma Greenkeeping, National Diploma Golf Studies, Modern Apprenticeships, Route 2 Work, NVQs available in Amenity Horticulture, Commercial Horticulture, Amenity / Turf, Amenity / Sportsturf, Decorative Horticulture, plus RHS General Examination, City & Guilds Certificate in Gardening, TDLB Assessor Awards and a full programme of amateur, leisure and day release courses.

SCOTLAND



GOSTA TRAINING LTD Unit 2B, Clydeway Centre, 45 Finnieston Street, Glasgow G3 8JU. Contact Chris Bothwell. Tel: 0141 248 2772. Fax: 0141 248 2453. svq II in Amenity Horticulture will all options including Greenkeeping and GTC Training Manual. Available Day/ Block Release from November- February. Evening classes also available. Short courses including pesticide training, noise assessment, chainsaw and health & safety courses, SVQ III in maintaining sortsturf - Mixture of block and day release. SVQ IV in Amenity Horticulture available from Winter 1998.



ELMWOOD COLLEGE Cupar, Fife KY15 4JB. Contact Carol Borthwick. Tel:01334 658910. Fax: 01334 658918. Craft Level courses. Full time National Certificate, Block-release, following SVQ Level II and the GTC Training Manual. Six week specialist modular programme (January-February), including Golf Course Construction, Pesticide Application and Plant Protection Procedures. SVQ Level III Block Release and SVQ Level IV coming soon. HNC/HND Golf Course Management available as full-time, block/day release and distance learning. FEPA, COSHH and Health & Safety short courses also.



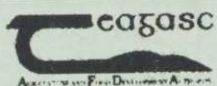
OATRIDGE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Broxburn, West Lothian, Near Edinburgh, EG52 6NH. Contact Steve Miller - Tel: 01506 854387 Fax: 01506 853373. E-Mail. OATRIDGE_AGRICULTURAL_COLLEGE_EDU@msn.com. HNC in Golf Course Management and Certificate in Greenkeeping. Block and day release SVQ Level II and Level III (GTC and IOG manuals) and Modern Apprenticeship. SVQ's in Groundcare Machinery. Short Courses: FEPA, Chainsaw, Forklift, etc.

IRELAND



COLAISTE STIOFAIN NAOFA, Tramore Road, Cork. Contact Paul O'Neill Tel: 00353 (02) 21961020. National Certificate in Greenkeeping. NCVA Level III one year full time course. Also, one year full time courses offered in ladscape design and construction + amenity horticulture general.

GREENMOUNT COLLEGE Greenmount College of Agriculture and Horticulture, Antrim, BT41 4PU. Contact Brian Corr. Tel: 01849 426668. Day release courses leading to (a) GTC Certificate/NVQ Level II Greenkeeping and Sportsturf (b) GTC Certificate/NVQ Level III Golf Course Supervision.



TEAGASC COLLEGE Teagasc College of Amenity Horticulture, National Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin, Dublin 9. Contact Pat Sutle. Tel: 003531 8374 388. Block release courses in greenkeeping providing Level III Certificates by the National Council of Vocational Awards. Further Education Programme also available.