



Greenkeeper Training



A guide to the range of training provided throughout the UK

BIGGA is actively involved in raising the standard of Greenkeeper Training. The Association is a member of the Greenkeepers' Training Committee and strives to enhance the level of education through various means, including Section, Regional and National workshops, seminars and conferences.

The range and quality of training now available throughout the UK means there is a training course for every greenkeeper. This should improve the quality of greenkeeping and help to produce better quality golf courses to the benefit of all within the industry.

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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SCOTLAND



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Full-time and Part-time National Certificate Greenkeeping, Block release/fast track and workbased learning options for SVQ Level 2 and Level 3. ILM Level 3 & 4 Management. HNC and HND Golf Course Management available both online/ distance learning and full-time/ part-time options. HNC/HND Golf Facility Management. Sportsturf Courses available. SVQ Level 2 & 3 in Landbased Service Engineering and Golf Course Mechanics Courses. Abrasive Wheel, BTLIA/NPTC Irrigation Course, Chainsaw, Tree Climbing and Rescue Techniques, Spraying and Noroso Certification/Courses.



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Askham Bryan, York, North Yorkshire, YO23 3FR

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Extended Diploma and Subsidiary Diploma in Horticulture. Foundation & Extended Foundation Degrees in Sports Surface Management, Horticulture, Landscape and Garden Management or Arboriculture. All available full or part-time.

Block release courses: WBL Diploma Levels 2 & 3 Greenkeeping WBL Diploma Levels 2 & 3 Groundsman Sportsturf Maintenance.

Short courses: FEPA spraying, irrigation, chainsaw and brushcutter courses.



50 Brook Street, Glasgow, G40 2AB

Contact: Lesley Lowrie 0141-556-3999

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SVQ Level 2 and 3 and 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.



BRIDGWATER

Bridgwater College (Cannington Centre for Land-based Studies), Cannington, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA5 2LS

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Level 2 and 3 apprenticeship and work-based learning schemes available as well as full time BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sports Turf. Additional short courses include PA1, 2 and 6, Spraying, Chainsaw, First Aid, Manual Handling and PAT Testing.



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GTC QUALITY ASSURED CENTRES AND TRAINING PROVIDERS



A full list of GTC approved training providers can be obtained from the GTC. The Greenkeepers Training Committee (GTC) are continually reviewing the approved status of centres and training providers offering greenkeeper training courses.

For more information contact the GTC on: 01347 838640 or visit: www.the-gtc.co.uk



Bilsborrow, Preston, Lancashire PR3 0RY
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Myerscough College is a pioneering centre for Sportsturf Education and Training in Europe. Courses are available at all levels from Introductory Diploma to Honours Degrees in Sportsturf Science and Management. There are options for full-time and part-time study with our FdSc Sportsturf and BSc Sportsturf Science courses uniquely available ONLINE also and having students enrolled throughout the UK, Europe and the USA. A new "Top-Up" BSc Degree in Sportsturf Science and Management is now available for those already holding FdSc or HND qualifications in Sportsturf. Our Work Based Training group offer NVQ's in the workplace from levels throughout the UK.



Stoke Climsland, Callington, Cornwall, PL18 8PB
Duchy College, Rosewarne, Camborne, Cornwall, TR14 0AB
Contact: Liz Clarkson 01579 372345/07785 105087
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Duchy College offers a range of courses throughout the South West including Level 2 and 3 workbased Diplomas and Apprenticeships in horticulture including Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship. NVQ 4 Amenity Horticulture (Management). Level 2 and 3 Diplomas in Horticulture (Including Sustainable Horticulture) FdSc and BSc (Hons) Horticulture. RHS Level 1, 2 and Advanced Certificate. We also offer Institute of Leadership and Management courses to Greenkeepers and short courses in pesticides, plant machinery, vehicles, forestry and arboriculture.



OAKLANDS COLLEGE
Smallford Campus, Hatfield Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL4 0JA
Contact: Andrew Wight 01727 737735
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Full time courses: City and Guilds Level 2 Diploma options in Greenkeeping/Sports turf and Horticulture.
 Work Based learning- Level 2 and 3 Diploma in Greenkeeping and Apprenticeship routes.
 Short courses: NPTC PA 1/2/6

HADLOW COLLEGE

Tonbridge, Kent, TN11 0AL

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 E-mail: enquiries@hadlow.ac.uk
 Website: www.hadlow.ac.uk



City & Guilds work-based qualifications at Levels 2 and 3 in Greenkeeping, Groundsmanship and Landscaping for apprenticeships for all ages. We also offer a range of short courses, such as Health & Safety, COSHH, Chainsaw and Pesticide Application.

Additionally full and part-time courses (post GCSE through to degree level) are available in horticulture and a variety of other land-based subjects.



Plumpton College
Ditchling Road, Plumpton, NR Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 3AE
Tel: 01273 890454 Fax: 01273 890071
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Foundation Degree: Garden Design. Levels 2 and 3, Diploma in Horticulture. Part time courses: Work based Diploma: Level 1 and Level 2: Greenkeeping, Groundsmanship and Landscaping and Horticulture. Level 3: Greenkeeping, Groundsmanship and Landscaping and Horticulture. Parks, Gardens and Greenspace. Also RHS Level 2. Short courses available. FEPA Spraying and Chainsaw. Bespoke Training, following Training Needs Analysis (TNA).



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Part-time courses: New Sports Management NVQ Level 4 - on-line distance learning course, Sports Turf Diploma Level 3 - on-line distance learning, Sports Turf Apprenticeship Diploma Level 3, Greenkeeping Apprenticeship Diploma Level 2, Groundsmanship Apprenticeship Diploma Level 2, Automatic Turf Irrigation Systems NPTC Certificate, NPTC courses including Safe Use and Operation of Mowers, Tractor Driving, Hedge Trimmers, FEPA Spraying and others. Please contact us for up-to-date listings, qualifications and advice on courses and funding. Open evenings are held regularly at the College.



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Block release industry tailored courses include Level 2 and 3 Work Based Diploma in Horticulture / Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship. Also: NVQ Level 4 Sports Turf (distance learning) and apprenticeships plus full-time Level 2 / Level 3 Diplomas in Horticulture. Short courses include pesticide application, chainsaw operation, safe use of mowers. Bespoke courses and overseas programmes available on request. Campus facilities include a commercial golf course, rugby and football pitches and Crewe Alexandra training grounds.

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Further your career with a qualification...

With a range of full and part-time courses, work based learning opportunities and apprenticeships there is something for everyone including:

For more information contact Helen Goodland on

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Bridgwater College Cannington Centre,
Cannington, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA5 2LS



Full-time and online study

Myerscough College invites applications for our popular range of Degree courses starting in September 2012.

Foundation Degree in Sportsturf

BSc (Hons) Sportsturf Science and Management

BSc (Hons) Sportsturf Science and Management – top-up programme for students with an HND or Foundation Degree

R&A Bursaries available to many students



Myerscough College's Degree programmes are validated by the University of Central Lancashire



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Warwickshire College offers apprenticeships in Sports Turf Management with routes in groundsman and groundkeeper. Apprenticeships are a great way for students to earn and learn and a fantastic opportunity for employers to take on a member of staff who is still in training.

The college also offers short courses in pesticide application including the PA2 for amenity users, chainsaw certificates, landscape design, first aid and many more. Bespoke training packages are also available for employers on request.



Sparsholt, Winchester SO21 2NF

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01962 797280
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Apprenticeships in Amenity Horticulture (Sports Turf). Short courses are available in C&G NPTC Chainsaw Operations, tree felling and clearing, operating brushwood chippers, MEWPs and other machinery operation, and safe handling and application of pesticides.

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