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Forestry Safety Seminar 2018

Felling your trees safely

Attendance is free but please register early to guarantee a place.

Thursday October 11th
10.15 – 13.00

Teagasc, Mellows Campus, Athenry, Co. Galway H65 R718

The Health and Safety Authority invites you to attend our Seminar on improving health and safety practices when harvesting and felling trees.

Why attend?

The recent increase in work activity in private forests poses new challenges to landowners, contractors and workers.

You will get a copy of a set of ten new forestry safety guidance leaflets published by HSA, covering the following topics:

- Using Petrol Driven Chainsaws
- Basic Chainsaw Felling and Manual Takedown
- Chainsaw Snedding
- Chainsaw Cross Cutting and Manual Stacking
- Chainsaw Clearance of Windblow

- Chainsaw Felling of Large Trees
- Extraction by Forwarder
- Mechanical Harvesting
- Electricity at Work: Forestry
- Guidance for Forestry Work Manager in Selecting and Monitoring Contractors

This seminar will focus on the safe use of chainsaws, harvesting, electricity, forestry contractors and the new Forestry Knowledge Transfer Group Scheme.

Attendees will gain an insight and understanding of safe practices for tree felling including windblow, the role of the Forestry Work Manager and safety considerations for the selection of forestry contractors.

Who should attend?

The Seminar will be of a particular interest to: forest owners, forestry contractors, forestry advisors, forest management consultants, health and safety professionals and students undergoing forestry training.

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Agenda

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Chair Pat Griffin, Senior Inspector HSA

Time	Speakers	Topic
10.15 – 10.30	Tea/coffee Photocall	Launch of new IFSG Information leaflets
10.30 – 10.50	Ms Gillian Clark CEO FISA UK	Role of FISA
10.50 – 11.10	John Kennedy Inspector HSA	Forestry working group of the Farm Safety Partnership Advisory Committee
11.10 – 11.30	Kevin Collins Health, Safety & Security Manager Coillte Forest	Health and Safety issues in Irish forestry workplaces
11.30 – 11.50	Liam Kelly Forest Development Officer Teagasc	Farm forestry – Health and Safety challenges
11.50- 12.10	Arthur Byrne Public Safety Manager, ESB Networks	Electrical hazards in forestry operations
12.10 – 12.30	Ken Farragher Area Training Manager Galway Roscommon Education and Training Board	Development of new apprenticeship training programme for arborists
12.30 – 12.45	Ann Cunningham Forestry Division, Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine	New Forestry Knowledge Transfer Group Scheme
12.45 – 13.00	Chair	Q & A Close