

Title	Maintain and use a petrol-powered brushcutter		
Level	2	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: carry out regular maintenance of a petrol-powered brushcutter; and use a petrol-powered brushcutter in accordance with workplace procedures.
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Classification	Agriculture > Agricultural Vehicles and Machinery
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Available grade	Achieved
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Explanatory notes

- 1 Definition
Workplace procedures refer to verbal and written instructions to staff on procedures for machinery use, maintenance, and safety.
- 2 Assessment
Evidence is required for maintenance and use of a brushcutter with one of – clearing blade, grass blade, trimmer head.
- 3 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and its subsequent amendments.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Carry out regular maintenance of a petrol-powered brushcutter.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 Brushcutter is serviced and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and workplace procedures.

Outcome 2

Use a petrol-powered brushcutter in accordance with workplace procedures.

Evidence requirements

- 2.1 Personal protective equipment is used when operating the brushcutter.

Range includes but is not limited to – head protection, hearing protection, eye protection, gloves, footwear, leg protection.

2.2 Cutting equipment is identified and used correctly.

2.3 The machine's safety equipment is checked prior to use to ensure it is operational in accordance with manufacturer's specifications.

Range throttle trigger lock, stop switch, blade and spray guard, vibrational damping system (if fitted), silencer.

2.4 Clearing area is checked for presence of objects and terrain which may affect work pattern.

2.5 Clearing is carried out using a systematic work pattern, encompassing the full working area of the machine in both directions.

2.6 Pathway is planned to avoid going over ditches and other obstacles and is adapted for wind conditions to ensure cut stems fall on cleared ground.

2.7 Clearing is carried out and risk of damage to self, others and property is minimised.

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Comments on this unit standard

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