



Practical Test for N610 Hand Held Hedge Trimmer

Test sequence	ACTIVITY GUIDELINES The learner must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete all pre-start and running checks before any activity takes place Only complete the shutdown procedures at the end of the test All additional test requirements can be completed in any order
Operator safety & pre-operative checks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The trimmer must be carried in the correct manner at all times during the test Operator must use the correct required PPE during the test Operator must carry out a thorough check of the hedge and working area prior to starting the task All site rules and manufacturers recommendations must be followed during testing Operator must be looking in direction of cutter travel during operation Candidate must adopt the correct refuelling procedures
Correct operation	The learner must: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain alert and react to changes in the working area Comply with the specification given when cutting the hedge as far as possible Operate in a logical and methodical sequence during trimming operations Cutting operations must be undertaken as per manufacturers guidance
Completion of assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operator must stop the machine correctly and isolate the power Clean maintain, fit the safety guard, and drain fuel correctly, as per manufactures recommendations Operator must carry out a post use check reporting and recording any defects found Operator must clear any trimming remains The operator should carry out a check of the work area checking it is in a suitable condition and all signage, cordons etc have been removed
Shutdown procedures	Allow the machine to cool, carry out maintenance and prepare the machine for transport / storage
Additional notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A verbal description to the instructor of the pre-start checks would be acceptable if the machine is hot The operator's manual must be accessible A verbal description of removing the fuel would be acceptable if machine is to be reused for next test straight away A verbal explanation can be given for cleaning the machine if another test is to be taken
Specifications	<p>Hedge length will be extensive enough to allow the instructor to observe trimming for vertical cut, minimum length 5 metres, width 500mm</p> <p>Hedge length will be extensive enough to allow the instructor to observe trimming for horizontal cut, minimum length 5 metres, width 500mm</p> <p>The operator must create chamfered to edge on one side as guide by the instructor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test may be carried out using single or two sided trimmers Test should be carried out at ground level unless candidates are trained on working at height and a suitable RAMS is in place for the works
Test timings	The full test should take no more than 1 hour
Note	It is recommended that all learners completing basic training receive a minimum 7hr health, safety, environment and induction training