



Environmental Policy Statement

Treepartner Training is committed to reducing the impact of its undertakings upon the environment and complies with all relevant environmental legislation and industry best practice standards.

Treepartner Training aims to:

- Manage all activities to appropriate industry standards within the tree care and forestry industries
- Reduce the amount of waste which we produce, divert waste away from landfill and increase the proportion of waste which is reused or recycled
- Ensure that harmful impacts are foreseen and controlled (through careful Risk Assessment procedures)
- Minimise noise and other nuisances
- Reduce our business travel where possible and promote the use of vehicle sharing when travelling to work sites
- Where practical, buy services and materials from sustainable sources and encourage our clients to do the same
- Identify and safeguard wildlife and assist in the management of ecology
- Raise levels of awareness amongst its clients by disseminating good practice information during training and assessments
- Continually improve and monitor environmental performance

Actions we take:

- Undertake all tree related activities in accordance with the British Standards set out in the **BS3998: 2010 Recommendations for Tree Work** guidance document.
- Undertake visual assessment of trees, shrubs and hedges prior to any work undertaken, checking for evidence of nesting birds and/or bats.

- Protect bird habitats by ensuring machinery courses, such as handheld hedge cutter, do not take place during the nesting season (March – September).
- Use of an all-electric vehicle with electric charge point installed at our premises.
- Use of alkylate fuel and battery powered machinery.
- Use of appropriate spill kits when refuelling machinery.
- Use of an eco-friendlier printer with refillable ink.
- Minimise printing to avoid paper wastage, use printer's Eco Mode setting and double-sided printing options.
- Encourage students to use our recycling bins when attending training on our premises.
- Shred confidential papers to enable recycling.

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years by Richard Allmond (Director) or sooner in the case of new legislation/guidance.

