

# CHALLENGE SOUTH WEST LTD

## RISK ASSESSMENT

<b>DATE:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 2010	<b>OPERATION :</b>	Use of Chainsaws
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**Hazards:**  
 Minor/major cuts from the saw &/or injuries from timber/branches being cut  
 Noise from using chainsaw.  
 Inexperienced/untrained people using chainsaws  
 Lone working whilst setting up for an event  
 Pollution from petrol or chain oil  
 Site Specific Risks

<b>Pre-Controls Assessment:</b>	<b>Severity</b>	<b>Likelihood of Occurrence</b>					<b>Risk Rating:</b>	
<b>Task Risk = Low</b>		1	2	3	4	5		
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		4	8	12	16	20		
	5	10	15	20	25			
						Low	1 to 9	
						Medium	10 to 15	
						High	16 to 25	

**Controls:**  
 All operators/users of chainsaws shall wear suitable PPE to consist of gloves, ballistic trousers/boots helmet with visor/earmuffs and helmet peak (not arborists helmet with reduced peak) at all times when using a chainsaw.  
 All operators shall have a suitable certificate of training/competency to LANTRA or NPTC level.  
 At no time shall anyone operate a chainsaw on a site on their own and there must be a First Aid kit available at all times.  
 Top up fuel and oil away from streams ditches and watercourses.  
 Check site/area for any specific dangers i.e. overhead or underground services, that may affect the work.

<b>Post-Controls Assessment:</b>	<b>Severity</b>	<b>Likelihood of Occurrence</b>					<b>Risk Rating:</b>	
<b>Task Risk = Low</b>		1	2	3	4	5		
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**Declaration:**  
 For and on Behalf of Challenge South West Ltd

Signature: ...Chris Pedlar..... Position: ...Chairman.....