

AHC30824 Certificate III in Arboriculture

Develop practical and technical skills in tree inspection, pruning, dismantling, climbing, machinery operation, and workplace safety.

Delivery: Face-to-face, classroom

Location: Hallam VIC, practical sites and employer/client sites where applicable

Duration: Typically delivered over 14–18 months. As assessment is competency-based, duration may vary depending on participant progress

Assessment Methods: Written activities, practical observation, portfolio

Intake Dates: Scheduled throughout the year

Cost: Contact us for a quote – ArbTrack is a Fee for Service RTO

COURSE DETAILS

COURSE OVERVIEW

AHC30824 Certificate III in Arboriculture is a nationally recognised qualification designed for individuals undertaking arboriculture operations across vegetation management, tree maintenance and associated field environments.

The qualification develops practical and technical skills in tree inspection, pruning, dismantling, climbing, machinery operation and workplace safety.

This qualification includes pathways suitable for workers operating within arboriculture and Electricity Supply Industry (ESI) vegetation environments.

Important Course Information

Practical training and assessment activities may require access to workplace environments and industry equipment.

SUITABILITY

This qualification is suited to individuals undertaking arboriculture and vegetation management activities across commercial, local government, utility and contractor environments.

Training may include:

- Tree inspection and assessment
- Tree maintenance and pruning operations
- Chainsaw operation and maintenance
- Tree dismantling techniques
- Climbing or Elevated Work Platform (EWP) operations
- Rescue and emergency response procedures
- Vegetation management practices
- Workplace health and safety requirements

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Experience in arboriculture, vegetation management, or ESI
- Physical capacity for outdoor work in varied conditions
- Access to a suitable workplace for practical training
- Basic literacy and numeracy skills
- Ability to follow safety procedures
- Access to a laptop/device, Microsoft Word, and online LMS
- Willingness to complete study outside class time

EQUIPMENT & PPE

- Participants may need to supply their own PPE and equipment
- All equipment must be inspected and approved prior to use
- Specific details provided during enrolment

DIGITAL LITERACY

Participants must be able to:

- Access online assessment materials
- Upload evidence and documentation
- Use email and internet for communication
- Complete online assessments

Contact ArbTrack prior to enrolment if support is required.

INDUSTRY & NETWORK REQUIREMENTS

Check any additional employer, network, licensing, or state-specific requirements that may apply to your role or region.

CAREER OUTCOMES

- Arborist
- Climbing Arborist
- EWP Arborist

CORE UNITS

- AHCARB213 Perform ground-based rigging
- AHCARB314 Implement a tree maintenance program
- AHCARB315 Inspect trees for access and work
- AHCARB316 Perform pruning operations
- AHCARB323 Identify trees
- FWPCOT2254 Maintain chainsaws
- FWPCOT2273 Trim and cut felled trees
- FWPCOT3350 Fell trees manually (intermediate)
- HLTAID011 Provide First Aid

ELECTIVE UNITS

EWP Stream

- AHCARB317 Dismantle trees
- TLILIC0005 Licence to operate a boom-type elevating work platform (boom length 11 metres or more)
- UETDRMP004 Perform elevated work platform controlled descent escape
- UETDRMP005 Perform elevated work platform rescue
- HLTAID009 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- FWPCOT3351 Fell trees manually (advanced)
- FWPCOT3301 Trim trees using a pole saw
- FWPHAR2208 Operate a mobile chipper/mulcher
- AHCARB408 Perform a ground-based tree defect evaluation

Climbing Stream

- AHCARB317 Dismantle trees
- AHCARB318 Undertake aerial rescue
- AHCARB319 Use arborist climbing techniques
- AHCARB408 Perform a ground-based tree defect evaluation
- UETDREL006 Work safely in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus as a non-electrical worker
- AHCARB322 Access trees for inspection
- FWPCOT3351 Fell trees manually (advanced)
- FWPCOT3301 Trim trees using a pole saw
- FWPHAR2208 Operate a mobile chipper/mulcher

Packaging Rules: Complete all core units plus electives per qualification rules. Selection depends on experience, workplace access, and chosen stream.



CERTIFICATION

Participants who successfully complete all requirements of the qualification will receive AQF certification documentation in accordance with the Standards for RTOs.

PATHWAYS

Entry from: UET20321 Cert II in ESI – Powerline Vegetation Control
Progression to: AHC50524 Diploma of Arboriculture