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The Chainsaw Operators Registration Scheme (CORS) is the property of the Highways & Construction Training Association.

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Chainsaw Operators Registration Scheme

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The HCTA (Highways & Construction Training Association) Chainsaw Operators Registration Scheme (often shortened to CORS) is designed to provide a flexible way for Chainsaw operators to have their ability to operate a chainsaw confirmed through formal Assessment. Candidates achieving the standards are registered with the HCTA's CORS register.

Who is the chainsaw Operators Registration Scheme aimed at?

- Local Authorities
- Term Maintenance Contractors
- Ground workers
- Utilities
- Ground clearance contractors
- Occasional users

How is the scheme administered?

Registered Centres using qualified assessors carry out assessments to the Standards set out by HCTA. An appointed HCTA verifier in turn verifies the assessments. This ensures that the Standards are maintained.

Is any training necessary?

It is expected that novices or those with limited experience will undergo training prior to being assessed. Candidates may undergo direct assessment where they feel that they can meet the Standards without any further training.

Units of Competence

The candidate will be placed on the national register and provided with an identification card, which indicates Units they have gained within the scheme and the expiry date for each unit.

Registration of candidates will be valid for a maximum period of three years from the date of assessment. Re-registration is by re-assessment for the units held. Candidates may add other Units as necessary at any time and a new identification card issued.

Unit No.	Title
CS 1	Chainsaw maintenance
CS 2	Crosscutting lying timber
CS 3	Felling up to guide bar length
CS 4	Felling up to 1½ guide bar length
CS 5	Clear individual windblown trees
CS 6	Clear multiple windblown trees
CS 7	Winching operations
CS 8	Pole saw operations and maintenance
CS 9	Operate wood chippers
CS 10	Limbing operations from a mobile elevated working platform