



One-Day Hands-on Workshop

Chainsaw Safety

and the basics of Tree Trimming



This one-day workshop will address many aspects of the maintenance and safe operation of chainsaws as well the basics of safe tree trimming. The training offers hands-on opportunities to learn from a certified expert.

Training topics

Chainsaw safety features:

- Chain brake
- Chain catch
- Rear hand guard
- Throttle lock
- On/off switch
- Four parts of the bar
- PPE use and inspection
- General maintenance
- Filling procedures
- Starting procedures
- Holding stance
- Engaging the chain brake
- Two-way communication while dropping trees
- Types of notches

Five steps of tree felling

- Heights and Hazards
- Lean
- Escape Route
- Notch
- Back cut

Dates and Location

The specific site for each training session will be communicated closer to the actual training date. Special thanks to the municipal utilities in each of the host communities for their support in helping MEUW to plan this series of workshops

Tuesday, Oct. 5 – Fennimore

Wednesday, Oct. 6 – Barron

Tuesday, Oct. 12 – Jefferson

Wednesday, Oct. 13 – Manitowoc

Thursday, Oct. 14 – Florence

Monday, Oct. 25 – Kaukauna New date added

Each workshop will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m.; lunch is provided.

Workshop presenter/facilitator

David Vincent is Safety Director for Quality Tree Service of West Michigan, and has worked in the arboriculture industry for more than 15 years. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Ferris State University. David has also received numerous certifications, including International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist, Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA) Tree Care Safety Professional, TCIA Tree Care Safety Professional certification and TCIA Electrical Hazards Awareness Program.



Who should attend:

Crew leaders, foremen, linemen, apprentices, groundmen, equipment operators, and public works employees of all experiences and skill levels – anyone whose job may involve using a chainsaw. *Registration is open for those who work separate from the electric utility (e.g., streets).*

▶ Register online at meuw.org

Seating is limited to the first 30 registrants
Deadline to register is Friday, Oct. 1

Registration fee: \$235 per person for MEUW members/communities; \$275 for all others

Cancellations are subject to [MEUW Policy](#).

Questions? Call the MEUW Office at (608) 837-2263

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