

Chainsaw Safety

and the Basics of Tree Trimming

December 3, 2019
Wisconsin Rapids



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 certified experts.

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

Who should attend:

Crew leaders, foremen, linemen, apprentices, groundmen, equipment operators and public works employees of all skill levels and experiences – anyone whose job may involve using a chainsaw. *Registration open only to personnel from MEUW member communities.*

Location

Wisconsin Rapids Water Works and Lighting Commission
221 16th Street South
Wisconsin Rapids

Call the MEUW Office at (608) 837-2263 for information about hotel accommodations

Schedule

Workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 3:30 p.m.; lunch is provided.

Cost

Registration fee is \$225 per person

Workshop presenters/facilitators

Randy Larson, a former utility lineworker and longtime apprenticeship lineworker instructor for Chippewa Valley Technical College, who now works for MEUW as Electric Utility Safety and Training Coordinator, providing on-the-job training for municipal electric utility employees.

Bill Sorenson, a certified arborist with more than 25 years' experience. He has been part of everything from a 3-man crew to a 12-man crew working together at times, having performed work for a number of utilities, including Xcel Energy, Wisconsin Public Service, Kaukauna Utilities, Wisconsin Rapids Water Works and Lighting Commission and Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative, among others. Early in his career, Bill spent time in California working fire prevention.

David Vincent, a safety coordinator for Quality Tree Service of West Michigan, who has worked in the arboriculture industry for eight 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.

▶ Register online at meuw.org

Deadline to register is Monday, Nov. 25
Cancellations are subject to MEUW Policy

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