CHIPPER OPERATOR SAFETY COURSE

Course Overview This three-hour course is developed and presented to facilitate compliance with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act [Section 25 (2) (a)]*. The course provides participants with the knowledge and the basic skills to safely and efficiently operate and maintain a woodchipper. Students will learn how to recognize safety hazards and equipment deficiencies under a variety of conditions; they will be able to identify and deal appropriately with hazardous situations.

Who Would Benefit: This course is designed for all public works employees and contractors who operate chippers as part of their regular maintenance activities.

Objectives: By the end of the course participants will have the knowledge and basic skills to:

- Prepare the site
- Identify and deal with hazardous situations
- Safely start and feed the machine
- Safety stops and guards
- Shut down and transport the chipper

Group Size

- The maximum course load is 20 trainees.
- Minimum course load is 15 trainees
- Each trainee must participate in the entire three-hour course.

Participant's Required Materials

- A wood chipper
- CSA approved work boots
- CSA approved class B hard hat
- Hearing protection
- Eye protection
- Safety or work gloves
- CSA approved (high vis clothing) when outside

Evaluation/Documentation: Theory exam (multiple choice) and/or oral exam (by instructor). Each successful participant will be provided with a certificate of completion.

About the Facilitator: Delivered to you by **Greg Pfaff (Greg Pfaff Service) and Jason Gear.**