

# LANTw53

## Cut, process and extract coppice



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### Overview

This standard is about cutting, processing and then extracting coppice using the most appropriate method to achieve specified objectives

Objectives may include:

- coppice management
- coppice restoration
- producing specified coppice products
- habitat conservation/management

This standard is for those who are involved in managing and maintaining coppice areas

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### Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 assess the risks associated with the site and the proposed works
  - P2 identify the species, mix and estimated age of coppice
  - P3 produce a work schedule
  - P4 cut coppice stool using current good practice and to promote healthy re-growth
  - P5 process the coppice material minimising wastage
  - P6 manage standard trees
  - P7 manage unwanted or un-useable materials using current good practice
  - P8 sort/grade and bundle cut coppice for a variety of uses in an efficient way
  - P9 extract cut coppice using methods appropriate to the site and dimensions of material
  - P10 leave coppice stool in an appropriate condition to promote healthy re-growth
  - P11 restock the understory using different methods
  - P12 maintain coppice at appropriate density
  - P13 select, prepare and use tools and equipment that are appropriate to the work, safely and effectively
  - P14 carry out work minimising damage to the environment
  - P15 maintain the health and safety of yourself and others at all times in accordance with current legislation

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### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- K1 how to identify hazards and assess risks
- K2 how to interpret risk assessments
- K3 how to identify commonly coppiced species, both in summer and winter
- K4 the importance of scheduling and planning a work schedule
- K5 the reasons for coppicing
- K6 good practice with regard to coppicing a stool
- K7 the factors that affect coppice regeneration
- K8 how to protect stools from damage by browsing animals
- K9 the importance of density and methods of re-stocking
- K10 different methods of extraction and their suitability to different applications
- K11 how to maximise the use of cut coppice and give useable products
- K12 the management of standard trees
- K13 the positive benefits of coppicing for biodiversity
- K14 the correct methods of disposing of surplus materials and/or waste
- K15 habitats directives governing woodland operations  
the potential impacts of your work on the environment and how these can be minimised
- K16 your responsibilities under current environmental, health and safety legislation and codes of practice

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