

Summary of Cricket Pitch Maintenance Autumn & Winter

Duration: 1-day 2-day (including practical)

No. of delegates: 12 maximum

Accredited by: Lantra Awards

This one day course, accredited by Lantra Awards, is designed to provide a basic knowledge of autumn cricket ground renovation and maintenance. It has been developed with the volunteer or part-time grounds person in mind but would equally benefit a person just entering the profession.

The course is theory/classroom based and does not include any practical work, although time will be spent out on the playing surface to consider and discuss its condition and underlying structure. Although the content of the course is structured, the delivery is informal and delegates are encouraged to participate.

Of all the sports, a cricket groundsman has the greatest effect on how a match can develop so a basic knowledge of the game is essential. It is, therefore, equally essential that groundstaff fully appreciate their responsibility for producing a safe and consistent surface. This can only be achieved by having knowledge of the science of turf care.

Your team will learn:-

- » To consider and provide safe working practices when completing all tasks and operations on a cricket ground under current legislation
- » To understand the difference between materials and products available for the maintenance and renovation of the cricket ground
- » To understand and appreciate the general requirements of a cricket ground
- » To understand the differences between the range of machinery available for the maintenance and renovation of the cricket ground
- » To be able to provide playing surfaces to the required standard of play
- » To have an understanding of, and be able to carry out basic maintenance on, machinery and tools
- » To carry out all maintenance operations in the correct sequence ensuring the best surface

Skills covered include:-

Mowing, scarification, aeration, fertiliser application, watering, rolling, renovations etc.



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