

Farm Conservation

CLEC10X

Course Objectives

To enable course members to:

- define the meaning of conservation
- recognise the benefits of conservation
- identify aspects of fruit farming which may damage the environment
- identify and evaluate opportunities for conservation
- establish priorities for conservation on fruit farms
- state the benefits of a farm conservation plan
- identify sources of financial assistance
- identify skills and further training required
- All those involved with fruit farming

Who is the Course For?

Duration/Format

NVQ/SVQ Linkage

- One day

This course should contribute towards the underpinning knowledge and understanding required for:

- Amenity Horticulture - Level 4
- Environmental Conservation (Landscapes & Ecosystems) - Levels 2, 3,4
- Forestry - Levels 2, 3 4

Max: 1:12 **Min:** 1:8

Instructor/Trainee Ratio

Course Content

Introduction

What is conservation?

Advantages of conservation

Opportunities for conservation on fruit farms

The importance of features for conservation

Management issues

Whole farm conservation plans

Sources of financial assistance

Further information, advice and training

Site visit

Action planning

Facilities/Equipment required:

Organiser

OHP and screen

Flip board, stand, newsprint, marker pens

List of course members (copied for self and Instructor)

Directions to venue for course members and Instructor

First aid kit

Facilities for tea/coffee

Transport to site (if necessary)

Instructor/Tutor

Prepared OHPs

Annotated map of farm

Trainee

Outdoor clothing and footwear

For each course member:

- pen or pencil
- name card/lapel badges
- map of farm
- course evaluation

Venue

Warm, well lit room with adequate tables and chairs in open U, plus lighting and power points. Washroom and toilet facilities.

Fruit farm featuring a range of the following:

Unproductive scrub

Roadside verges

Hedgerows

Woodland & individual trees

Diverse field margins

Ponds

Waterways

Marshy areas

Buildings

(liaise with Instructor)

Publications included in package

Workbook and Handout

*Except in Scotland) MAFF Leaflet - Conservation Grants for Farmers (subject to availability from MAFF Publications)

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**Instructor – Basic
Registration Criteria**

Please refer to the Lantra Awards Instructor Information Pack.

**Instructor – Technical
Skills Knowledge and
Experience****Instructor –
Certification (If
desirable)**