

CLASS SCHEDULES

LAKE CHARLES – 03/17/20

White Oak Landing
5584 River Road
Lake Charles, LA 70615

MONROE – 03/18/20

Cheniere Lake Lodge
104 Cheniere Lake Drive
West Monroe, LA 71292

BATON ROUGE – 03/19/20

Independence Park Theatre and
Cultural Center
7800 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

COVINGTON – 03/20/20

Training Location:
Bogue Falaya Park/Pavilion
213 Park Drive
Covington, LA 70433
Rain Location:
Bogue Falaya Hall
317 N. Jefferson Avenue
Covington, LA 70433

COURSE TIMES

Registration: 7:30 a.m.
Class: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the LTAP Office via:
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Chainsaw Safety, Precision Felling and Maintenance



The Louisiana Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) is a cooperative effort between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Louisiana State University (LSU). LTAP serves the needs of local transportation agencies and is a part of the Louisiana Transportation Research Center (LTRC).

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REGISTRATION

Registrations are now only accepted online at <https://registration.ltrc.lsu.edu/login>

If you have not done so for a previous LTAP class, you must create a profile in the system to register. Please keep a record of your username and password for future course registrations.

NOTE: If you need to register multiple people on behalf of your agency, create a profile of your own and email your username to courtney.dupre@la.gov for instructions. Once inside your profile, click on “LTAP – Chainsaw Safety, Precision Felling and Maintenance”.

FEES & CANCELLATIONS

\$25 for Public Agencies

\$50 Private Agencies

Credit card payments accepted through the online registration system.

Checks or money orders also accepted.

Make checks payable to:

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Mail checks to: LTAP-Technology Transfer/
LTRC, 4099 Gourrier Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA
70808-4443. *ATTN: Courtney Dupre*

Registration is required one week in advance of class. Failure to cancel at least 72 hours prior will result in a forfeit of registration fee. Registration fees cover the cost of provided breakfast, lunch, and course materials. Participant substitution is available.

COURSE TOPICS

Safety and Risk Management

Risk Management, HOPE, Personal Protective Equipment, Command Response Communication System, Emergency Preparedness

Chainsaw Operation/Handling

Chainsaw Selection, Chainsaw Safety Features, Reactive Forces, Starting Techniques, Ergonomics

Chainsaw Cutting

History & Development of the Face Notch and Back Cut, Function of Hinge Wood, Precision Cutting

Methods, Limbing and Bucking Techniques

Felling Procedures

Five Step Felling Plan, Tree Felling, Pull Lines, Wedges, Mechanical Advantage

Specialized Cutting Situations

Hazardous Cutting Situations After Storms, Spring Poles, Understanding Tension and Compression Wood

Chainsaw Maintenance

Preventive Maintenance, Sharpening and Bar Maintenance

Who should attend?

Personnel and supervisors who regularly use the chainsaw, as well as novice or the occasional user. This is a great introductory or refresher course! **All attendees must bring their hard hats, as well as eye and ear protection to the program.**



INSTRUCTOR

Rip Tompkins, a nationally recognized chainsaw operation and safety instructor, impresses even the most experienced chainsaw users with his skill in previous classes. Many participants rated it as one of the best training programs that they have ever attended.

Rip is Vice President of ArborMaster Training, Inc., and has extensive experience in the use of chainsaws, as well as tree climbing, rigging and rescue systems. The class is designed to help prepare all crew members and supervisors deal with routine chainsaw use, as well as the tree damage and debris common after storms. The training sites were selected to allow plenty of outside demonstrations of proper chainsaw use in a natural setting.