



Notification of CCF Training Course

Tree Marker Training – Early Transformation to Continuous Cover Forestry (CCF) in Sitka spruce

Course Instructor: Ted Wilson MSIF

Course 8: Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May 2020 (2 days)

Course 9: Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 June 2020 (2 days)

Venue: Kilteel Community Hall and a Private Forest at Kilteel, Co. Kildare

Pro Silva Ireland is delighted to announce new dates for training on early transformation to CCF in Sitka spruce plantations. The course is now well established and has received strong positive feedback from previous participants.

The course involves indoor and outdoor sessions over two days, with practical tree marking exercises in a specially prepared forest area. Participants will receive individual feedback on tree marking and will learn the difference between conventional early thinning in clearfell forestry versus tree selection for CCF management. The course is designed for foresters and “hands on” forest owners who are taking their first steps in CCF management.

Ted Wilson is a silviculturist with wide international experience as a forest manager, researcher and lecturer. His primary focus is silvicultural science and the management of continuous cover forests. Ted is currently Teagasc Walsh Scholar in Silviculture, a PhD candidate in UCD and researcher on the Teagasc/UCD TranSSFor Project: transformation of Sitka spruce stands to Continuous Cover Forestry in Ireland.

The course is limited to **10 participants** and the cost will be **€240 for Pro Silva Ireland members or €300 for non-members** (who will be offered free membership of Pro Silva Ireland if they register for the course). **The course will be worth 45 SIF CPD Points.** To book a place, please email Ted Wilson treemarkertaining@gmail.com indicating your preferred course date and make payment in one of the following ways:

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