

# Control of Invasive Species

## At a glance...

### Customised Provision

Duration Notes:	1 day
Delivery Method:	Theory and Practical
Recognised by:	Lantra Awards

### Introduction

This course is of particular relevance to individuals and organisations in the landscape maintenance, facilities management, property maintenance and amenity sectors

### Overview in brief

Due to the extensive spread and/or dominance of a number of invasive plant species in the environment, there is an increasing need to implement appropriate methods of control.

### The finer details

Invasive species can dominate a habitat and effectively eliminate many native wild plants from the habitat. Invasive plants can create monocultures affecting grazing land, woodland, urban environments and areas of wildlife interest.

Japanese knotweed can damage structures and its presence can prejudice property sales & mortgage applications.

Giant Hogweed causes severe blistering/burns to skin if brushed against. Some of these plants have few or no natural enemies in the UK.

The need for effective methods of control are required by Local Authorities, Farmers, Conservation Groups, Utilities, Natural Resources Wales and Home Owners etc.

### Who should attend?



Landscapers, Local Authority Employees, Property Surveyors and Managers, Facilities Management Companies, Estate Managers, Farmers and anyone involved with land/property maintenance or Land management.



### What will be covered?

By the end of the course, you'll be able to:

- Identify 7 of some of the most invasive plant species in the UK.
- Be aware of the species methods of reproduction/spread & survival techniques
- Be aware of the ecological & environmental impacts of the invasive species
- Understand why it is important to control the invasive species
- Be aware of the basic methods of control
- Be aware of the methods of appropriate disposal of cut vegetation.

