



Oak Processionary Moth (OPM) Awareness

At a glance...

Customised Provision

Delivery Method: Classroom

Introduction

OPM is becoming increasingly widespread in the UK and there is potential for people working in, or responsible for others in the outdoor environment to come into contact with OPM. This one-day course has been designed to build OPM awareness and what to do in the event of it being discovered or reported.

The finer details

- Delegates will learn how to identify OPM;
- What the health and ecological implications are;
- Understand different methods of how to manage it in order to keep themselves and others free from harm.

Who should attend?

This course is aimed at people who work and/or responsible for others or the public in the outdoor environment.

Park Warden/Ranger

Tree officers

Volunteers

What will be covered?

- Be familiar with what OPM is and the associated risks;
- Understand the history and biology of OPM;
- Be able to identify the caterpillars, nests and adult moths in the field;
- Know what to do if OPM is reported or discovered;



- Learn health and safety precautions related to OPM;
- Understand the importance of biosecurity measures and how to implement them;
- Understand the different control measures and their impact on the wider environment;
- Be able to implement a risk-based approach;
- Know how to manage OPM in the long term

