

Cobra TT Hand Held Ballast Tamper Operator

Course Aims

This course is intended to provide delegates with a full understanding of the Ballast Tamper and the method of carrying out these duties in a safe and efficient manner.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this course the delegates will:

- Understand fully the responsibilities relating to the operation of Hand Held Petrol Ballast Tampers
- Understand the competent persons role within that system
- Be able to identify the different components of the Ballast Tamper
- Understand fully the safety requirements included in the Regulations
- Be aware of and avoid the dangers when using the Ballast Tamper
- Know how to safely check the Ballast Tamper prior to use and the action necessary with faulty equipment
- Be able to fault find in the event of operational difficulties
- Know the operating precautions to be applied and on whose authority it can be used.

Course Duration

Half a day for practical application of ballast tamping.

Pre-requisites

Delegates will require to hold a valid P.T.S. Certificate.

Personal Protective Equipment

This course requires the delegate to be on or near the running line, therefore, he/she **MUST** be in possession of: -

- Valid P. T. S. Card
- Protective “all orange” High Visibility Clothing to BS EN 471:2003
- Safety Footwear to BS EN ISO 20345:2004
- Safety Helmet (white/blue) to BS EN 397:1995
- General Purpose Gloves to BS EN 388:2121
- Ear Protection
- Eye Protection
- Overalls

The protective equipment must comply with current safety standards.

Certification

A Certificate of Competence will be awarded to the delegate upon successful completion of both an underpinning knowledge theory assessment and practical on-site assessment.