

NORTHERN COUNTIES SAFETY GROUP LIMITED

Safety Training & Services to the Construction Industry

FACT SHEET

CAT and Genny - Avoidance of Underground Services & Safe Digging Practices

Course Aims

This course of training is to give company personnel the opportunity to understand how cable avoidance tools work; give practice opportunities on locating/identifying underground services that pose a potential hazard; and how safe digging practices form part of a safe system of work.

Objectives

At the end of the course delegates will:

- Understand the main health and safety legislation requirements relating to the use of service avoidance tools
- Understand the hazards associated with underground services
- Be familiar with the various principals of operation of cable avoidance tools and also their limitations
- Understand the necessity for planning underground service surveys
- Know the correct survey methods and the appropriate marking methods
- Know what the safe digging practices are and how to implement them
- Understand the need for the appropriate emergency procedures

Instructor

Suitably qualified instructor with practical safety training experience who has many years experience in the construction industry

Trainee Numbers

A maximum of 8 delegates to one instructor

Course Duration - ½ day (3½ hours)

Achievement Measure

Skill, knowledge and competence will be assessed throughout the course by the use of questions/answers, practical skill in using cable avoidance tools, and a final assessment by written questionnaire, achieving 80% correct