



Environmental Policy

ACE TOTAL TREE WORK- Environmental Policy

Our Environmental Mission Statement

ACE Total Tree Work is committed to minimising the impact it as a company has on both the local and global environment through ensuring all possible steps to prevent pollution, to avoid damage to habitats, and to reduce its carbon footprint are taken during all of operations, be it in the office or onsite.

We revise and update this policy and strategy on a regular basis.

Our Environmental Strategy is as follows-

GENERAL

- ACE Total Tree Work and its personnel are committed to meet or exceed all relevant legal requirements, Environmental Legislation Standards, and Codes of Practice.
- We take all steps to minimize risk to employees, customers, the public, and also to wildlife.
- We continually re-assess our Environmental Policy to respond to and incorporate new ideas.

HABITAT

- Nesting birds and their nests and eggs are protected by law. Many other species such as bats and badgers are also protected. We work within the guidelines set out in the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, and the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CROW).
- We undertake a Bat Presence Survey prior to felling possible habitats. We inform our customers and clients of any protected species which may be present and take the appropriate action required.
- We heavily encourage the planting of new trees where possible, and are keen to give customers advice that promotes tree health.
- Where possible we leave habitat piles (hibernacula) or dead stems (monoliths) to encourage ecology and wildlife, and minimise the impact on the local flora & fauna.
- We encourage our customers to install bird and/or bat boxes where appropriate, and will hang these for no additional charge if working on the tree.

WASTE

- We promote the re-use of waste materials, by selling our waste wood as logs for fuel, or as wood chip.

- All other green waste is sent to green waste recycling facilities and is used to fertilise once composted local farmland.
- We operate in compliance with our Environment Agency waste disposal licence.

CARBON FOOTPRINT

- We aim to minimise energy wastage, and reduce our carbon footprint, by using the most efficient routes for travel, and the most appropriate vehicles for each job.
- All of our personnel drive and operate efficiently minimising fuel usage.
- Vehicles and machinery are not left with the engines idling when not in use. Where possible we keep paper usage to a minimum.

ACE Total Tree Work Ltd is a small-sized company undertaking the full range of arboricultural tree work operations including but not limited to tree planting, tree pruning and tree felling (including rigging, lowering and sectional felling). We also offer other services including stump grinding, cable bracing (of weak tree structures) and air spading (to excavate near trees / relieve compaction) Stump Grinding and Hedge cutting.

Aran Caldwell, Director of ACE Total Tree Work Ltd, is in overall charge of Health and Safety at ACE Total Tree Work Ltd, and is responsible for ensuring our Environmental policy is closely monitored and adhered to. Any questions issues arising during operations, employment procedures that are of an Environment Agenda, should be directed to Aran directly.