

# Open Awards Qualification Unit



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This unit forms part of a regulated qualification.

### 1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Hedgelaying
QAC Code:	T/507/8326
Level:	Level 1
Credit Value:	3
Minimum GLH:	27

### 2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Be able to prepare for hedgelaying	1.1 Identify the relevant and current legislation and health and safety requirements relating to hedgelaying
	1.2 State when hedgelaying should take place and why it is important
	1.3 Identify and select appropriate hand tools and equipment used for hedgelaying
	1.4 Identify the importance of the stump or heel and the consequence of cutting the stump too high
	1.5 State why it is important to use sharp, correct tools
	1.6 State the reasons for cleaning tools
2. Be able to lay a hedge	2.1 Identify 5-10 metres of hedge to be laid
	2.2 Prepare the hedge
	2.3 Cut the pleacher using the correct technique
	2.4 Lay the hedge using the correct technique
	2.5 Use tools and equipment appropriately and safely

3. Understand the importance of maintaining laid hedges	3.1	Outline the consequences of not maintaining a planted hedge
	3.2	Outline the advantage of trimming the hedge as it develops
	3.3	State the shape that should be aimed for when a hedge is trimmed