



Pro Silva Ireland CCF Training Course

Tree Marker Training

Early Transformation to Continuous Cover Forestry (CCF) in Sitka spruce

[Course 09]

Dates: Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 October 2022 [2 days]
Venue: Community Hall and Private Forest at Killeel, Co. Kildare

Course Instructor: Ted Wilson MSIF FRSB

ENHANCING SKILLS IN CCF – Pro Silva Ireland is delighted to offer new dates for training on early transformation to CCF in Sitka spruce plantations. The course is well established and has received strong positive feedback from previous participants. This training is ideal for anyone who has participated in other Pro Silva Ireland events and wishes to enhance their practical skills in tree selection and marking.

LEARNING BY DOING – The course involves indoor and outdoor sessions over two days, with practical tree marking exercises in a specially prepared forest area (called a marteloscope). Participants will receive feedback on tree marking and will learn the difference between conventional early thinning in clearfell forestry versus tree selection and thinning for CCF management. The course is designed for foresters and “hands on” forest owners who are taking their first steps in CCF management.

EXPERT INSTRUCTOR – **Ted Wilson** is the lead instructor for the course. He is a silviculturist with wide international experience as a forester, researcher and educator. His primary focus is applied science and management of continuous cover forests. Currently Ted is completing a PhD at UCD on the *Transformation of Sitka spruce stands to Continuous Cover Forestry*. This work is funded and supported by Teagasc and UCD.

INFORMATION – The course is limited to **12 participants** and the cost will be **€240 for Pro Silva Ireland members or €300 for non-members** (who will be offered free membership of Pro Silva Ireland if they register for the course). **The course will be worth 45 SIF CPD Points**. To book a place, please complete and return the attached form to prosilvairreland@gmail.com.

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