Welcome to Husqvarna Chainsaw Academy – your online resource for safe and efficient tree felling. This site offers a vital introduction to the things you should know, and includes step-by-step guides, easy-to-understand animations, videos, important checklists and recommendations.

Before you get started with felling your tree, make sure that you have the knowledge, understanding and equipment you need to cut down your tree safely and accurately. Follow the links below for more detailed information relating to safe chainsaw use, tree felling, limbing, cross-cutting and more. It’s all here.

Working with chainsaws – safety first
When it comes to felling trees, safety is everything. Avoiding the risk of injury to you and people nearby requires careful preparation and planning. If uncertain, consult a professional in your area. This section of the site covers the following topics:

Chainsaw safety basics
How to choose the right chainsaw
How to start a chainsaw
Personal protective equipment
Useful tools and accessories
Filing the chain

Felling trees
Remember: every tree is different. So be sure to properly prepare and plan before you fell a tree. You should also have a solid understanding of the key concepts of tree felling, such as felling hinge, directional notch and felling cut, as well as what methods and techniques to use, depending on the tree. This section of the site includes:

How to prepare for felling a tree
Understanding directional felling
How to make a directional notch
How to make a felling cut
How to use tree felling tools
How to remove a hang-up tree

Limbing and crosscutting – finishing the job
Your work is not done when the tree hits the ground. That’s why this section includes recommendations and step-by-step guides for limbing and cross-cutting safely and efficiently.

How to limb a tree
How to crosscut a tree