

Forest School training: FlexiFOLA starting May 2021

Venues: Online via Zoom & then at [Newbattle Abbey College](#), nr Dalkeith

Total course costs (no VAT is applicable)

	Previous Equivalent Level	If paying in one instalment	Additional out-of-area leader assessment fees
Level 5	Level 1 (introduction)	Total cost £410	N/A
Level 6	Level 2 (assistant)	Total cost £665	N/A
Level 5 to 6 step-up	Level 1 to 2 step-up (intro to assistant)	Total cost £350	N/A
Level 5 to 8 step-up	Level 1 to 3 step-up (assistant to leader)	Total cost £920	£0.45 /mile for candidates outside 15-mile radius of the venue, or a 30-mile radius of your nearest available assessor. Discretionary charge for travel time above 1.5 hrs round trip at £25/hour.
Level 6 to 8 step-up	Level 2 to 3 step-up (assistant to leader)	Total cost £800	
Level 8	Level 3 (leader)	Total cost £1100	

Estimated Course Commitment

SCQF level	Online seminar hours*	Woodland sessions hours	Self-study hours	Total hours
Level 5	5.5	12	30.5	48
Level 6	8	24	28	60
Level 6 to 8 step-up	8	24	88	120
Level 8	13	48	119	180

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***Note for the online course:** We expect you to join 'live' for the seminar sessions (see table below), to allow you to be fully involved in group discussions and assessments.

Self-paced study

Before joining each seminar, you will be expected to find the time to watch a series of study videos, and do some short exercises, research or preparation. This is to enable you to fully take part in our live sessions together, and to support your fellow students. Coursework will require additional self-study time.

Online seminars (via Zoom)

Dates / Levels	Tech test Tues 4 May (6.30-7.30 pm)	Course launch Tues 11 May (6.30-8.30 pm)	Seminar 1 Tues 1 Jun (6.30-9.00 pm)	Seminar 2 Tues 22 Jun (6.30-9.00 pm)	Seminar 3 & 4 Tues 31 Aug, Tues 21 Sep (6.30-9.00 pm)
Level 5	√	√	√		
Level 6	√	√	√	√	
Level 5 to 6 step-up	√	√		√	
Level 5 to 8 step-up	√	√		√	√
Level 6 to 8 step-up	√	√			√
Level 8	√	√	√	√	√

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Woodland sessions

Dates / Levels	1.5 day sessions (Thurs 9am - 5pm & 9am - 1pm) You will be allocated to either Group A or B on booking		1.5 day sessions (Thurs 1pm - 5pm & 9am - 5pm)		3 days (Thurs 9am - 5pm)	Delivery assessment Arranged individually after the course
	Group A 20 May, 3 Jun	Group B 27 May, 10 Jun	Group A 3, 17 Jun	Group B 10, 24 Jun	2, 9, 16 Sep	
Level 5	√	√				
Level 6	√	√	√	√		
Level 5 to 6 step-up			√	√		
Level 5 to 8 step-up			√	√	√	√
Level 6 to 8 step-up					√	√
Level 8	√	√	√	√	√	√