**Forest School training: FlexiFOLA starting Sept 2021**

**Venues: Online via Zoom & then in woodland in Blackford, Perthshire**

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| **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 |

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| **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** |

**\*Note for the online course:** We expect you to join ‘live' for the seminar sessions, to allow you to be fully involved in group discussions and assessments.

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| **Online seminars** (via Zoom) All sessions take place on **Tuesday evenings** and start at **6pm**, except Tech test (see below) |
| **Dates / Levels** | Tech test Mon 6 Sept(6-7pm) | Course launch7 Sept(2.5-hours) | Seminar 128 Sept(2.5-hours) | Seminar 29 Nov(2.5-hrs) | Seminar 3 & 4 1 Mar & 5 Apr(2.5-hrs) |
| **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**All sessions take place on a Thursday, from 9am (on site) until 5pm, unless otherwise stated below. You will be allocated to *either* Group A or B on booking. |
| Days | 1.5 days(L5 students finish at 1pm on Day 2) | 1.5 days(L6 course continues from 1pm on Day 2) | 3 days | Delivery assessment |
| Dates | Day 1: 14th SeptDay 2: 21st Sept | Day 2: 21st SeptDay 3: 26th Oct | Days 4, 5 & 6: 8th, 15th & 29th March | Arranged individually after the course |
| **Level 5** | √ |  |  |  |
| **Level 6** | √ | √ |  |  |
| **Level 5 to 6 step-up** |  | √ |  |  |
| **Level 5 to 8 step-up** |  | √ | √ | √ |
| **Level 6 to 8 step-up** |  |  | √ | √ |
| **Level 8** | √ | √ | √ | √ |

**Self-paced study**

Before joining each seminar, you will be expected to find the time to watch a module of self-paced study videos, and do some short exercises or research. This is to enable you to fully take part in our live sessions together, and to support your fellow students. This usually amounts to about 5-hours work over around three weeks.

Written coursework will require additional self-study time.