

1. CERTIFICATE TITLE

Yrkeshögskoleexamen

Arborist

2. TRANSLATION OF CERTIFICATE TITLE

Higher Vocational Education Diploma

Arborist

This translation has no legal status.

3. SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE PROFILE

The holder of this document has

- Knowledge of the advantages and disadvantages of different types of climbing techniques, equipment and machinery and choice of approach.
- Knowledge of habitats and properties of 500 trees and shrubs.
- Knowledge of soil science and plants' need for mineral nutrition.
- Knowledge of the importance of tree care for nature conservation and biodiversity.
- Knowledge of the morphology of trees, anatomy and processes that control the life and development of trees.
- Knowledge of the tree's immunology and about diseases of and damage to trees.
- Skills in making risk assessments and choices in the handling of chainsaws and other tree care equipment.
- Skills in recognising and naming Swedish and scientific names of 500 lignoses in leaf and as bare branches and describing habitat requirements.
- Skills in preventing or treating damage to and diseases of trees.
- Skills in applying the Free or felling methods to contribute to decisions that take into account different interest groups.
- Skills in proposing plant choices and care plans at an installation or restoration of a historic or thematic park or garden.
- Competence to perform various tree care work up in trees in a safe and time-efficient way.
- Competence evidenced in Chainsaw licences A and B and Road Safety, levels 1 and 2.
- Competence to analyse a planting site's soil conditions, to propose tree care measures, plant choices or planting site improvements that benefit biodiversity.
- Competence to successfully grow and nurture trees based on knowledge of the plant physiology of different trees.
- Competence to make diagnoses and holistic decisions in the selection and care of trees based on the planting site's biological conditions, cultural history, style, ecosystem and biodiversity and to communicate decisions to people of different backgrounds.

4. PROFESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE

Arborist and Tree Surgeon

5. OFFICIAL STATUS OF THE CERTIFICATE

Name and address of the awarding institution	Name and address of the public authority issuing awarding entitlement to education providers
	The Swedish National Agency for Higher Vocational Education Box 145, 721 05 Västerås Sweden www.myh.se
Diploma level (national or international designation)	Grading scale
SEQF/EQF:	Fail (Icke godkänt - IG) Pass (Godkänt - G) Pass with Distinction (Väl godkänt - VG)

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED MANNER OF OBTAINING THE DIPLOMA

Description of vocational education and training received	Per cent of whole programme (%)	Length (weeks)
• College/education centre		weeks
• Placement – Learning in a work environment		weeks
Total teaching/study duration resulting in diploma		weeks
Further information		
The Higher Vocational Education Diploma requires a minimum of a Pass (Godkänt) in all courses. Five HVE credits correspond to one week of full-time studies.		
A Higher Vocational Education Diploma is awarded if the study programme comprises a minimum of 200 Higher Vocational Education credits (HVE credits).		
An Advanced Higher Vocational Education Diploma is awarded if the study programme comprises a minimum of 400 HVE credits, at least one quarter of programme time is spent on student placement, and the student has completed an independent project.		
Entry requirement is successful completion of upper secondary education.		
For more information on higher vocational education, please visit the website of the Swedish National Agency for Higher Vocational Education: www.myh.se		

(*) Explanatory note

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications, Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates, and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

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