Marks for certificate level	Bronze	Silver	Gold		
BUILD OF HEDGE APPROPRIATE FOR STYLE DORSET					
Marks available	20	20	20		
Section pass mark	10	12	15		
Sides of bank or surrounding area has been cleared. Definitive hedge line is clearly left. Pleaching is good and clean and hedge has been built low and well secured, both with itself and with internal bonds, used only as and where required and hidden from view. Any external bonds are running at approximately 30 degrees with the hedge and blending in well and serving their purpose well with no gaps underneath, maybe even lost/hidden by following pleachers. Bonds are either pushed well into the ground or tucked under pleachers on one side and passed over to the other side but are very strong and secure. Cuts are good and clean with heels removed following the line of the pleached stem. The finished height determined by the lay of the land but between 2.6-3 foot also depending on material available. Sides and top are trimmed up leaving an almost ½ barrel shape. Overall A low thick ½ barrel hedge, well secure, cleaned up and neatly presented stock proof hedge and working area.	PASS 20 - 16	PASS 20 - 16	PASS 20 - 18		

Sides of bank or surrounding area need clearing and finding definitive hedge line could be a little better. Pleaching is good and clean and hedge has been built low and secured, but with some movement, maybe due to lack of internal bonds. Any external bonds are running a little too sharply and easy to spot, maybe the odd gap underneath. Could be hidden by following pleachers a little better. Bonds can be either pushed well into the ground or tucked under pleachers. Most cuts are good and clean with heels removed following the line of the pleached stem. The finished height determined by the lay of the land but between 2.6-3 foot also depending on material available, good attempt to maintain this full length. Sides are trimmed up leaving an almost ½ barrel shape. Overall A low thick hedge all secure. Cleaned up presented hedge and working area	PASS 15-10	PASS 15 - 12	PASS 17 -15
Sides of bank or surrounding area has not been cleared enough. Struggle to see definitive hedge line. Pleaching is poor and hedge has not been built its to lose/fluffy, not secured, has no internal bonds. Any external bonds are running way to sharply and very visual and standing out no attempt to be hidden by following pleachers. Gaps underneath bonds, not really serving a purpose Bonds are lose. Cuts are not good and some heels remain Sides are not trimmed up leaving a scruffy shape to the hedge. Overall A low thick hedge, poorly presented hedge, not very secure r and messy around working area	FAIL 9- 5	FAIL 11 – 6	FAIL 14-7
Struggled to understand correct build and reason regards style. Very poor pleaching. Overall poor build. No internal bonds making hedge far to lose, external bonds at right angles to hedge and standing out a mile, along with breaks in them serving no purpose. No regards for neatness or presentation of work or work area Not at all stock proof. Overall A very poorly presented hedge and work area.	FAIL 4 - 0	FAIL 5 – 0	FAIL 6 - 0