

**Standards committees relevant to AFAG and safety within the forest and arboriculture industries**

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- This paper details the current UK representation on standards committees relevant to the UK forest and arb industries.
- The paper seeks to endorse or modify the current representation and to identify any gaps where representation from the forest and arb industries or HSE/other Government Departments should be considered.

Item and Committee Information	BSI	European	International
<b>Forestry Handtools</b> Responsible for the UK input to National, European and International standardization work related to the terminology, test procedures and safety of portable (such as chainsaws, clearing saws pole pruners) Manually portable forestry machinery and European technical committees :	AGE 29 Jim Dewar Alan Plom Paul Elcoat	Jim Dewar Alan Plom	<a href="#">TC 23/SC 17/</a> Jim Dewar ( Convener WG4 Safety) Alan Plom
<b>Forest Machinery</b> To provide the UK input to related International technical committees : ISO/TC 23/SC 15 - Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry - Machinery for forestry; CEN/TC 144/WG 4 - Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry - Portable machines and pedestrian controlled machines; CEN/TC 144/WG 6 - Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry - Manually portable forestry machinery; CEN/TC 144/WG 8 - Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry -	AGE 29 Jim Dewar Alan Plom Paul Elcoat	Jim Dewar Alan Plom	<a href="#">TC 23/SC 15</a> Jim Dewar Alan Plom

<p><b>Roll over Protection – Excavators</b>  A working group set up between construction and forestry to determine the ROPS standards applicable to forestry and construction machinery fitted to a 360<sup>0</sup> rotating platform (excavator base unit)</p>	N/A	N/A	<a href="#">TC 23/SC 15/WG 2</a> Jim Dewar
<p><b>Chainsaw PPE</b> Safety aspects covering protective clothing. Specifically for forestry, gloves, jackets, trousers and boots</p>	GME6 Jim Brown Jim Dewar	Jim Brown Jim Dewar	
<p><b>Noise</b> Exposure to noise, relevant to chippers chainsaws etc</p>	Jim Dewar (Bill Jones TDB)		
<p><b>Vibration</b> technical committee GME/21/6, Human exposure to mechanical vibration and shock.</p>	GME/21/6 Paul Brereton (HSE) Chris Nelson (HSE) Jim Dewar (Bill Jones TDB) Hans Fairley (Stihl)	Paul Brereton (HSE)	Paul Brereton (HSE)
<p><b>Knapsack Sprayers</b>  The AGE 15 committee is responsible for all matters relating to National Standardisation of equipment for crop protection, and equipment for application of liquid fertilisers. This working group (WG5) deals with safety and ergonomics of knapsack sprayers..</p>	AGE/15 WG 5 Bill Jones (TDB)		