Course 2a - Safe Use of the Excavator and
Course 2b – Safe Use of the Dumper
in the
Sensitive Cemetery Environment

On site Excavator and Dumper Training and Assessment

Unlike other excavator and dumper operator’s training courses, the COTS course
focuses on the implications, problems and sensitivity specific to the cemetery
environment. The course is designed to train and assess excavator and dumper
operators to the ICCM safety standard. Candidates on the excavator course will
benefit from having access to a machine to themselves for the duration of the
course. Reduction of potential damage to cemeteries is a major benefit to employers
and employees alike, not to mention the bereaved that visit cemeteries.

Employers can enrol staff onto either an excavator or dumper course or combine
both into one session.

The Excavator course is of 3 days duration
The Dumper course is of 2 days duration

Candidates can be trained and assessed in the following areas:
Pre-start Checks and Routine Machine Maintenance
Machine Controls
Moving Around the Site
Manoeuvring into Position
Protection of Turf
Protection of Memorials
Setting and stabilising the Machine Prior to Excavation
Safe Excavation and Backfilling
Implications of Health & Safety Legislation
Filling and emptying dumpers

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Maximum 4 candidates per course with 4 excavators being available at all times.

Training takes the form of hands on practical sessions designed to improve the
skills and competence of the operative as well as creating awareness of Health & Safety and
Customer Care issues.