



## Gamekeeping Diploma

Creating and maintaining good, healthy habitats which are beneficial to all wildlife is at the heart of a gamekeeper's job. Gamekeeping has changed significantly over the years and while you will still be responsible for the husbandry of both reared and wild game for shooting, your time will also be spent helping to shape the countryside and protecting its species.

We offer three options for you to gain a career in the gamekeeping industry depending on your GCSE results. Our Level 3 course offers you the choice of university study or employment on successful completion of your course. Our Level 2 and Level 1 courses are ideal should your GCSEs not be what you expected, with the option to progress to Level 2 or Level 3.

If you love working outdoors, care about the countryside and the environment and would like to make significant contributions to the biodiversity and conservation of rare species, then why not join the 5,000 full-time gamekeepers currently employed in the UK.

British gamekeepers currently manage approximately 7.3 million hectares of the land in the UK and work closely with farm managers and foresters to help conserve both game and wildlife, using economically viable estate management policies.

As part of your course you will be required to carry out Work Experience and/or an Industry Placement. For more details please [click here](#).

### □ Ideal if

You would like to pursue a career within the gamekeeping industry and gain a Level 3 qualification.

### □ You'll need

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English, maths and science.

### □ You'll learn

During this course you will have access to Duchy College's 283-hectare estate and woodlands where you will care for the College's pheasants and learn about the management of game bird, deer, farm habitat, woodlands and fisheries. You will also study land-based machinery, working dogs, pest and predator control and will organise a number of shoot days from start to finish which will include costings, promotion, event preparation and running the activities on the day.

### Key facts

**Course title:**

Gamekeeping Diploma

**Location:**

Duchy College Stoke  
Climsland

**Start date:**

September 2020

**Course length:**

1 year

## □ Expect

To study at the Duchy Stoke Climsland campus.

## □ You'll love

That we are the only College in the West Country delivering Gamekeeping.

## □ You'll go on to

University study such as our FdSc Estate & Farm Enterprise Management or our FdSc Conservation & Countryside.

Employment in the gamekeeping or related industries.

### **Careers in this industry**

- Game farming
- Pest control
- Estate maintenance
- Gamekeeper
- Ranger
- Estate manager

## Choose from these course options

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Land & Wildlife Management (Gamekeeping) Diploma	Duchy College Stoke Climsland	September 2020	1 year