

Driver CPC (Certificate of Professional Competence)



Duration:

One day (minimum of 7 hours)

Group Size:

Maximum 20 learners per course

Who should attend?

All professional drivers of lorries greater than 3.5 tonnes, buses, coaches and minibuses with more than 8 passenger seats unless they qualify for an exemption.

Course aims:

To improve the knowledge of lorry and bus drivers by:

- Road Safety (and thus all road users)
- The Road freight and passenger transport industries (better staff performance, better recruitment and retention, more economical vehicle usage).
- The environment (reduced fuel consumption and vehicle wear)
- Recognising and accrediting the knowledge and skills required for the professional bus, coach and lorry drivers.
- Ensuring drivers continually update their skills and knowledge and ultimately raising the status of bus, coach and lorry drivers to promote as a career.

Course Objectives:

On completion of the module's learners will be aware of: -

- Emergency First Aid Work (EFAW) (Module 1)
- Winter Service Operations (WSO) (Module 2)
- Vehicle Reversing (Banksman) + Manual Handling (Module 3)
- Driver Essentials (Module 4)

Certification:

Once the theory and practical tests of competence have been passed and / or the relevant 'periodic training' is taken, a Driver Qualification card is issued. These cards are issued for a 5-year period. A certificate per module is issued after successful completion.














Drivers Licence Guide



The Driver CPC

Drivers employed or used by undertakings established in a member state which uses vehicle in categories, C1, C1+E, C or C+E are in scope, together with drivers of passenger vehicles in categories D1, D1+E, D, D+E, Pre 1990 licences with the equivalent categories (such as HGV1) are also included, as are those driving vehicles on C1 entitlements obtained by passing a car test before 1997. The legislation applies to the activity of driving the in-scope vehicles, so people who hold vocational entitlement but who do not actually drive those vehicles will not come into scope of drivers CPC.

	Vehicles	Licence Category	Notes
	Up to 3.5t Gross Weight	B	Vehicles up to 3.5t + trailer up to 750Kg
	Up to 3.5t Gross Weight	B + E	Vehicles up to 3.5t + trailer up to 750Kg
	Over 3.5t & up to 7.5t Gross Weight	C1	Vehicles from 3.5t up to 7.5t + trailer up to 750Kg
	Over 3.5t & up to 7.5t Gross Weight	C1 + E	Combinations of vehicles with a MAM of up to 7.5t + trailer has a mam of over 750Kg provided that the MAM of the combination thus formed does not exceed 12,000Kg and the MAM of the trailer does not exceed the unladen mass of the towing vehicle. If the driver passed a category B test prior to January 1st 1997 they will be restricted to a total combination mam of not more than 8,250Kg. This is a 107 restriction.
	Over 7.5 Gross Weight	C	Vehicle over 7.5t + trailer up to 750Kg
	Over 7.5 Gross Weight	C + E	Vehicle over 7.5t + Drawbar trailer over 750Kg
	102 Restriction Only	C + E	C + E <u>without</u> 102 restriction only
	More than 8 passengers. Trailer not exceeding 750Kg	D (pre 19/01/2013)	Motor vehicles constructed or adapted for the carriage of passengers having more than 8 seats in addition to the driver's seat, including any such vehicle drawing a trailer having a mam not exceeding 750Kg (pre 19/01/2013)
	More than 8 passengers. Trailer not exceeding 750Kg	D (pre 19/01/2013)	Buses Any bus constructed for the carriage of more than 8 passengers in addition to the driver, with a trailer up to 750Kg.
	More than 8 passengers. No more than 16 passenger seats. Trailer not exceeding 750Kg	D1 (pre 19/01/2013)	A sub-category of D comprising motor vehicles have more than 8 but no more than 16 seats in addition to the driver's seat, including any such vehicle drawing a trailer with a mam not exceeding 750Kg.
	No more than 16 passenger seats. Length not exceeding 8 metres. Trailer not exceeding 750Kg	D1 (pre 19/01/2013)	Minibuses Vehicles with no more than 16 passenger seats in addition to the driver and with a maximum length not exceeding 8 metres with a trailer up to 750Kg.

Other groups: F = Tractors G = Ride-on Road rollers H = Track laying vehicles K = Mowing machines and pedestrian controlled vehicles

Restriction codes shown on licence: 101 = Not for hire or reward 102 = Drawbar trailers only 106 = Restricted to automatic transmission only 107 = Not more than 8250Kg 115 = Organ Donor 119 Weight limit does not apply