# **Driving Goods Vehicles**

Intermediate Apprenticeship and Level 2 Certificate





"This course has reduced accidents by increasing road awareness among our drivers and we have also made significant fuel savings."

Dave Tomlinson, Transport Manager, JJ Omerod

Your drivers will develop first rate driving skills – becoming the only type of driver your business can afford to employ

# Factfile

#### Aimed at:

New drivers and those seeking to update their skills in the logistics sector

Length of Level 2 Qualification:

6 - 12 months

Length of Intermediate Apprenticeship:

9 - 12 months

#### Location:

Greater Manchester, Warrington, Merseyside

#### **Funding:**

Usually part or fully Government funded

#### **Employer commitment:**

Study time/access for training and development

#### For enrolment:

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## The programme

The Level 2 Certificate in Driving Goods Vehicles (QCF) is designed by Skills for Logistics and covers van, rigid vehicle and articulated or drawbar vehicle types It requires drivers to demonstrate competence in not just driving correctly but also, preparing a vehicle and loading and unloading. It also includes wider competencies such as contributing to customer service, dealing with payment transactions and planning routes and timings.

The Level 2 Certificate in Driving Goods Vehicles is a combined qualification that forms both the competence and knowledge elements of the Intermediate Apprenticeship.

### **Employer benefits**

- 85% of employers report that drivers are more aware of their roles and responsibilities
- 78% of employers recorded a reduction in fuel use
- Over 80 % of employers have reduced their insurance premiums by a minimum of 5 %
- Free before and after driver assessment using telematics to benchmark fuel efficiency and identify poor driving behaviour that could lead to excessive vehicle wear and tear or might lead to an accident

#### **Outcomes**

Drivers will have a level of occupational competence and driving skills above that of the standard required for licence acquisition including pre-driving checks, the correct operation of a tachograph, loading of goods, and operating a laden vehicle with the driver's usual load. They will be able to drive to a high level of safety/security and return high levels of fuel efficiency and reduced wear and tear on the vehicle.

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## **Programme delivery**

All Mantra Learning Training Advisors are industry professionals who are specialists in the area in which they teach and are members of the Institute for Learning.

# Programme design

There are three pathways with appropriate content for the type of vehicle being driven:

- Vans
- Rigid vehicles
- Articulated or drawbar vehicles

Within each pathway, learners must complete all units from the mandatory group, one unit from each of the optional groups one, two and three and select any combination of units from optional group four that add up to a minimum of five credits. The total minimum credit required to achieve this qualification is 29 credits.

# **Mandatory units**

All units must be completed	Credit	Level
Prepare the vehicle for driving	2	2
Protect the vehicle and the load	2	2
Operate and monitor the vehicle systems	3	2
Manoeuvre the vehicle in restricted spaces	4	2
Obtain information on the collection and/or delivery of loads	2	2

# **Optional units**

Group 1 (1 unit to be taken)	Credit	Level
Drive the vehicle on public roads in a safe and fuel efficient manner	6	2
Drive the vehicle on private roads in a safe and fuel efficient manner	4	2

Group 2 (1 unit to be taken)	Credit	Level
Ensure the vehicle is loaded correctly	4	2
Load the vehicle correctly	5	2

Group 3 (1 unit to be taken)	Credit	Level
Ensure the vehicle is unloaded correctly	3	2
Unload the vehicle correctly	3	2

Group 4 (Any combination of this group to a minimum of 5 credits)	Credit	Level
Plan the route and timings for the collection and delivery of goods	6	3
Couple and uncouple the vehicle	3	2
Attach and detach vehicle mounted bodies	3	2
Make an effective contribution to a business in logistics sector	3	2
Contribute to the provision of customer service in logistics operations	3	2
Dealing with payment transactions in logistics operations	2	2

# Additional Apprenticeship units

Key skills at level 1 - literacy and application of number
Employment rights and responsibilities workbook
Personal learning and thinking skills

#### **Assessment**

The Mantra Learning Advisor will use a range of assessment methods including observation, question and answer, video, professional discussion and written reports. Their visits usually take place once a month with progress assessed and reviewed every three months or sooner if necessary. We also arrange an Employer Review every six months to measure the impact of the programme on your business.

# Opportunities for further development

Learners can progress to:

- Warehousing and Storage Apprenticeship or Level 2 Certificate
- Traffic Office Intermediate Apprenticeship or Level 2 Certificate
- Driving Goods Vehicles Advanced Apprenticeship or Level 3 Diploma
- Logistics Operations Advanced Apprenticeship or Level 3 Certificate. This can lead to a Foundation Degree in Logistics Management delivered by Mantra in collaboration with Bolton University

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