

VTA Academy Driver Cadetship Employer Overview

Option 1 – Cadet has no prior skills and is eligible for funding, - Total cost of Driver Cadetship **\$7876.00** per cadet

Option 2 - Cadet has no prior skills and is eligible for funding, and the employer wishes the cadet to complete a Cert III in Driving Operations - Total cost of Driver Cadetship **\$5876.00** per cadet



Training the VTA Academy Driver cadet receives as part of the cadetship:

Load and unload goods/cargo

Practical hands-on experience will be gained in understanding:

- The centre of gravity
- Axle groupings
- Over-dimensional loads, including permits required
- Height, width and length limits for vehicles
- Weight gauges
- Segregation of mixed loads

Apply fatigue management strategies

- What is fatigue?
- Ways to identify fatigue
- Diet and its impact
- Laws around fatigue

Secure Cargo

- Safely use various forms of load restraint equipment such as load binders, dogs & chains, gates, wrapping techniques, tarps. Secure mixed loads
- Segregation of mixed loads
- Load restraint principles, calculating load restraint requirements
- Introduction to dangerous goods principles
- Measure height of vehicle

Follow OH&S Procedures (F1)

Workplace procedures for hazard identification and risk control, OH&S Responsibilities, Complete occupational health and safety records, Acts & Regulations, Duty of Care, Safety & Health Representative and Committees, Accident Reporting, Hazards in the Workplace, Safe Work Practices, Safety Systems, Personal Protective Equipment, environmental Considerations, Heat & Stress & Hypothermia, Alcohol & Drugs, Housekeeping, Manual Handling Injuries

Complete a work diary in the road transport industry

What is a work diary?

- Legislation covering the completion of a work diary.
- Complete a work diary correctly.
- Drivers liability around the work diary
- Enforcement powers around work diaries

Demonstrate awareness of chain of responsibility

- What is the chain of responsibility?
- Laws covering the chain of responsibility
- Who is covered by the chain of responsibility?
- Corporate and management liability
- Enforcement powers

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Carry out vehicle inspection

- Basic vehicle inspection/routine maintenance
- How to check oil, water, hydraulic fluids for brakes and power steering, fuel
- Under-bonnet inspection to check radiator hoses, fan belts, any air lines that may be rubbing, any oil or water leaks
- Check wheels, tyres (air pressure and wear), wheel nuts, mud flaps, spare wheel
- Check lights and lenses and be able to change globes and fuses
- Identify and use standard tools, jacks, portable warning lamps, tyre spanner & bar
- Vehicle signs
- Roadworthiness of vehicle, registration, insurance (different types of insurance for loads)
- Safe fuelling techniques

Carry out basic workplace calculations

- Carry out simple calculations relative to loading.
- Calculate trip distances and fuel consumption.

Obtain a Heavy Rigid Licence

- Classroom theory and assessment for TLIC3004A Drive heavy rigid vehicle & TLILIC2016A Licence to drive a heavy rigid vehicle
- Training and licence assessment in Heavy Rigid Non-Synchro truck.
- Cabin drill – including entering and exiting the cabin safely, setting up mirrors to achieve maximum visibility, seat position/adjustments,
- Safe working principles, OH&S overview – safety issues within the transport and logistics industry
- Reading the road ahead to identify potential hazards such as low-hanging/over-hanging trees, parked cars, pedestrians, cars entering the carriageway from side streets.
- Drive a loaded vehicle on highways, freeways, two-way roads, outside built-up areas, hill driving, ascending & descending hill areas.
- Read the road traffic and conditions ahead, hazard awareness including road conditions, road camber
- Drive with other vehicles, hazard awareness, and understanding of closing gaps
- System of vehicle control
- Defensive driving techniques – controlling space around the vehicle
- Night driving / city driving/ country roads
- Drive on different road surfaces
- Reverse into loading bays, within tight spaces and driveways during day and night