Continuing Education and Workforce Development

COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVER TRAINING: CLASS A

Course Information and Registration Packet

Call 410-334-2815 for more information
COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVER TRAINING—CLASS A

Thank you for your interest in the commercial truck driver training at Wor-Wic Community College. Our 320-hour course is designed to help qualified students gain the skills to be successfully employed as professional drivers. Enclosed is the upcoming training schedule, pricing, funding alternatives, and a one-page pre-registration. This course was developed to train individuals in the fundamentals of driving a Class A commercial vehicle. Emphasis is placed on preparing students to obtain a commercial driver license and gain employment in the trucking industry.

Today, truck drivers must be well trained to meet the increased demands of the modern, competitive transportation industry. Through classroom work, videos, and hands-on practice, participants will gain demonstrable knowledge in basic vehicle control, shifting, backing, docking, coupling and uncoupling, engaging safety techniques to avoid incidents, and managing various driving situations successfully.

In addition, vehicle operations, vehicle inspections, trip planning, accident reporting, logging hours of service to meet Department of Transportation regulations, handling hazardous materials safely, and lifestyle issues unique to the professional driver will be covered.

Successful students should be able to earn a Class A Commercial Vehicle License with air brakes, combinations, doubles/triples, tankers, and hazardous materials endorsements. Anyone who earns a Class A license, with the above endorsements, can automatically drive any motor vehicle except passenger buses and motorcycles.

**Prerequisites for entry into the training course include:**

1. 18 years of age or older; (must be 21 years old to drive outside of Maryland);
2. A valid driver’s license with no provisions;
3. A good driving record with no more than 3 points on your current record;
4. Certify that during the 2-year period immediately prior to applying for a CDL, you have not had:
   - More than one license or had any license suspended, revoked, or canceled; (will be reviewed on a case by case basis)
   - Any conviction in any type of motor vehicle for major qualifying offenses including but not limited to a felony involving the use of a motor vehicle or more than one conviction in any type of motor vehicle for serious traffic violations;
   - Any violation of state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control arising in connection with any traffic accident;
   - Any conviction for driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol;
   - Any hit and run driving which resulted in injury or death;
5. No convictions for crimes involving drugs with the past 5 years.
6. No convictions for crimes involving sexual offenses.
7. Pass a Department of Transportation (DOT) physical exam and a DOT drug screening with a confirmed negative (no refusal, adulterated, substituted, or dilute) result within 30 days of class;
8. Dependable transportation to, from, and during class;
9. Ability to attend class *Monday-Thursday from 7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.*
10. Be able to read, write, and speak English sufficiently to converse with the general public, to understand highway traffic signs and signals in the English language, to respond to official inquiries, and to make legible entries on reports and records;
11. Possess a positive attitude, strong work ethic, and a commitment to safe driving.

*Except holidays, night driving lessons and rescheduled classes that may occur on Fridays.*
COURSE SCHEDULE
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Choose from the following eight-week courses:

Class A 2017 Schedule of Courses*
(additional courses will begin every eight weeks)

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<th>Days</th>
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<td>Monday - Thursday</td>
<td>7 am – 5:30 pm</td>
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<td>10/23/17-12/19/17</td>
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Instructor will provide training schedule at orientation

**NOTE:** There will be two night driving lessons per class; your instructor will advise you of those dates. Scheduling is subject to change. The college reserves the right to cancel courses or make changes due to unforeseen circumstances.

*The following holidays will occur during the regular schedule of classes: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Martin Luther King’s Birthday, Memorial Day, and Independence Day. Classes scheduled on any of these days may be made up on Fridays or by extending class beyond the scheduled ending date.

If you currently hold a valid license for Class A and need refresher training please call, 410-334-2815 to set up an assessment. **Refresher training available!**
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REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

If you are interested in applying, please take the following steps:

**STEP ONE:** Complete the pre-registration form in the middle of this packet

**STEP TWO:** Obtain an original copy of your current driving record from the Motor Vehicle Administration

**STEP THREE:** Secure your funding source (See page 6 for options)

**STEP FOUR:** Bring in or Mail your pre-registration form and current driving record to:
Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Development/Truck Driver Training
Wor-Wic Community College, 32000 Campus Drive
Salisbury, Maryland 21804

Notification with registration information will be sent to applicants who meet the qualifications. Letters of non-acceptance will also be sent to applicants who do not meet the qualifications. Students who meet the qualifications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

**STEP FIVE:** Have a Dept. of Transportation (DOT) Physical and Drug Screening from an approved facility.

**STEP SIX:** Attend a mandatory orientation session (see page 3) to complete the required forms, obtain vital course information and meet the instructor.

**COURSE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS**

Students must meet the following requirements in order to successfully complete the course:

- Meet the attendance requirement for the 320-hour course (attend at least 80 percent of the course overall)
- Obtain a Learner’s Permit from the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) prior to the beginning of week 3 of class.
- Achieve an average score of at least 70 percent on all tests, quizzes, and other assignments during each quarter
- Complete all assignments when required
- Successfully complete all range assessments (including pre-trip inspection by the due date)
- Successfully complete all road assessments
- Pass the Commercial Driver License Skills Test at the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) and obtain your new Class A CDL
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## COST

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<tr>
<td><strong>TUITION AND FEES</strong> (Payable to Wor-Wic Community College)</td>
<td>$3,900</td>
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<td>Tuition $100 and Fees $3,800*</td>
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<td><strong>OTHER COSTS (APPROXIMATE)</strong></td>
<td>$  102</td>
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<td>Department of Transportation (DOT) Physical--$70 &amp; Drug Screening--$32</td>
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<td><strong>TEXTBOOKS (APPROXIMATE)</strong></td>
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<td>Available at Wor-Wic Community College’s bookstore on the campus</td>
<td>$  93</td>
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<td>Tractor Trailer Driver Handbook/Workbook</td>
<td>$54.00</td>
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<td>Motor Carrier Atlas</td>
<td>$21.15</td>
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<td>Driver’s Daily Logs (2)</td>
<td>$5.66 Each</td>
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<td>Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations Pocketbook</td>
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<td><strong>LEARNER’S PERMIT</strong></td>
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<td>Motor Vehicle Administration</td>
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<td><strong>CDL TESTING</strong></td>
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<td>All Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) exam fees are $20 each time after the initial exam is taken. (Note: for each retest after the third attempt, Wor-Wic Community College will charge an additional $60, with the fee payable to the college, prior to scheduling the test). The truck driver training coordinator will schedule the test.</td>
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<td>Wor-Wic Community College’s trucks are available only for the college’s truck driver training students and only for testing at approved MVA/DMV locations in Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia.</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST</strong></td>
<td>$4,185</td>
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*Fees are subject to change due to rising costs of fuel, please call for current rates. (410-334-2815)

NOTE: An additional $10 fee for this course is required of students not living in Wicomico, Worcester, or Somerset counties. An additional $15 fee for this course is required for students living in states other than Maryland.

## REFUNDS

All requests for refunds must be received in writing prior to the first day of class. A 100% refund will be issued up to the day before the course start date. No refund will be given on or after the course starts.
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● CLASS A FUNDING OPTIONS ●

There are many ways in which you can finance this course, a number of which are mentioned below. Because acceptance into this course is required prior to registration, you do not need to provide payment with the pre-registration form at the back of this packet.

**PERSONAL PAYMENT**
Payments may be made by check, cash, money order, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard.

**EMPLOYER PAYMENT & REIMBURSEMENT**
Advance payments by company check are welcomed from employers who pay the tuition for its employees’ tuition and fees at the time of registration. The college can also directly bill a company; mail or FAX (410) 334-2952 the completed registration form after the employee has been accepted in the course with a letter of authorization on company letterhead. Include the employee’s name, course title, starting date of the course, total amount for tuition and fees, billing address, and signature of the person who is authorizing payment.

**LOWER SHORE WORKFORCE ALLIANCE**
Lower Shore Workforce Alliance administers several federal and state funded programs on the Eastern Shore. It is possible one of these programs could assist with your training expenses. Each program has rules and regulations for determining which population can be served and what types of training are available. The training offered is based on career goals and individual circumstances of each applicant. These programs are grants, not loans. To see if you qualify for any or part of this funding, your first step is to attend a job search orientation. Register at mwejobs.maryland.gov.

**VETERANS ADMINISTRATION**
The commercial truck driver’s training course is approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission for veteran’s education benefits. To determine if you qualify, contact Fred Howard, the Veterans Coordinator in the Student Services office at Wor-Wic Community College at (410) 334-2882.

**CAREER STARTERS SCHOLARSHIP**
Assistance for career training is available to low-income individuals who meet eligibility requirements. Call 410-334-2815 for more information.

**STUDENT LOAN OPTIONS**
Non-credit courses do not qualify for Financial Aid or Student Loans. However, private funding sources may be available to qualified applicants. Contact your bank, savings and loan, or other financial institution for information on loans for education and vocational training.

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