

# Light-Truck & Trailer Safety Training Course

This course can be applied to a variety of vehicle-trailer combinations, such as enclosed cargo trailers, specialty equipment, open utility trailers and more.



Drivers operating vehicles as part of a job task are governed by the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) when any one of the following conditions is met.

- Weight of vehicle or a combination of vehicle and trailer exceeds 10,001 pounds
- Vehicle has nine seats or seatbelts
- Hazardous material is being hauled



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## Light-Truck & Trailer Dedicated Safety Training Course

Operating articulated vehicles represent increased risks for drivers and greater regulatory scrutiny that requires specialized handling, documentation, equipment, and safety measures.

Driving Dynamics' Light Truck & Trailer safety training program<sup>1</sup> is designed for any individual whose job requirements include hauling a trailer. Even if your drivers, based on the type of equipment your company hauls, are not required to have a commercial driver's license, the DOT safety components included in this course provide essential, proven safety procedures that all drivers should be aware of and able to implement.

### SCORED ON SAFETY

For fleet operators, a poor safety record equates to hard-earned dollars wasted on needless claims, costly downtime and worse—personal injuries. It can also lead to unwanted disciplinary action, including fines and out-of-service tickets.

The FMCSA scores drivers and fleet operators through an automated Safety Measurement System. Whether or not your vehicles and drivers come under these guidelines, consider the following factors observed by the FMCSA.

- Behavior—the company's and the driver's routine behaviors
- Analysis—the motor carrier's activities for the past 24 months
- Safety—any crashes that occurred in the past 24 months
- Improvement—the company's actions to improve their overall driving performance

In addition, the FMCSA quantifies a motor carrier's on-road safety performance

*1. This Program can also be applied to straight vehicles over 10,000 pounds.*

based on the following areas: unsafe driving, fatigued driving, driver fitness, controlled substances and alcohol, vehicle maintenance, cargo related matters and crash indicators.

All fleet operators, regardless of the weight classification of the equipment or the cargo transported, should be mindful of these key safety areas.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

This course balances classroom learning, teach-by-touch and behind-the-wheel exercises conducted by safety experts to deliver an impactful training day. It is designed to enable your drivers to:

- Load trailers and secure loads proficiently and safely
- Operate articulated rigs in a safe manner while in close quarters and on the open road. Included among the hands-on exercises are backing maneuvers through an obstacle course
- Conduct mandatory inspections
- Describe conditions that trigger a status change to be considered a commercial motor-vehicle driver
- Identify documentation required for commercial motor-vehicle drivers
- Adhere to Hours-of-Service regulations as needed
- Understand how to complete a Daily Log sheet
- Recognize the requirements for drug and alcohol testing
- Describe what a DOT auditor will look for during an inspection



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As an employer-dedicated program, Driving Dynamics will work with clients to assure the course curriculum addresses the driver issues most important to your company. Available throughout the U.S.A., programs will be scheduled at times and locations suitable to the company.

### ABOUT DRIVING DYNAMICS

Driving Dynamics has earned its position as an accomplished provider of impactful driver safety training by continually building and delivering programs based on sound research, proven learning methodologies and expert instruction. We are dedicated to improving drivers' abilities to stay safe and lowering fleet crash rates by leveraging principle-based learning, risk management tools and applied techniques.

A leading provider of advanced performance driver safety training and fleet risk management services throughout North America, our unique and highly effective approach to behind-the-wheel driver education, web-based learning and driver risk management has helped numerous fleet-based organizations achieve significant reductions in their crash rates.



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