

Trailer Towing: On and Off Road



At a glance...

Training (with Assessment)

Duration Notes:

The expected duration for the course is two days, however please note this may vary according to factors such as level of experience, modules or attachments selected, or the ratio of instructors to learners.

Delivery Method:

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Prerequisites:

- Must have attended the Lantra Awards Trailer Handling course within 12 months or equivalent
- Valid category B or B+E driving licence – dependent on weights of vehicle/trailer as per the Trailer Handling product information
- Hold a current Lantra Awards 4x4 Professional Off Road Vehicle Operating Certificate of Training or equivalent (off road only).

Introduction

Learn to tow trailers both on and off-road with skill and confidence in our two-day intensive course.

Overview in brief

Trailers are used extensively both in and outside work. Our course is designed to support you to towing trailers safely both for work and/or for leisure (such as caravans, boats and horse boxes). You will need to operate your trailer both on and off road for this assessed course to achieve your certificate.



The finer details



Your course sessions will include:



- Legal requirements – towing on-road
- Weight limitations – on and/or off road
- Types of trailer and hitch – suitability for purpose and limitations of use
- Causes of accidents
- Coupling/un-coupling procedures
- On and/or off road trailer towing
- Loading – effects on stability/control
- Vehicle/trailer checks – on and/or off road
- Braking exercise – on and/or off Road
- Limitations of braking system – on and/or off road.

You'll have a practical assessment and will receive a certificate of training when you have completed the course.

Who should attend?

Those wishing to update their skills in trailer towing and/or satisfy health and safety legislation regarding the safe use of trailers at work.

- On Road: anyone required to tow on the road who already holds the relevant driving licence
- Off Road: anyone needing to tow trailers off road as part of their work or for leisure purposes.

What will be covered?

At the end of this course the learner will be able to:

- understand the legal requirements when towing trailers
- carry out equipment safety checks
- understand how the type and weight of a trailer affects on and/or off road performance and safety
- understand the relationship between vehicle and trailer weights and limits and how they are affected by use on and/or off road
- couple/uncouple the trailer from a vehicle
- understand the requirements of driving the vehicle and trailer combination on and/or off road
- demonstrate competence in dealing with a variety of on and/or off road situations commonly encountered
- understand the main causes of accidents and what can be done to avoid them.



Other areas of interest

- Trailer Handling
- Trailer Towing: On Road
- Trailer Towing: Off Road



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