

Collin College - Continuing Education COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Number: CVOP 1013 and CVOP 1040

Course Title: Professional Truck Driving I and Professional Truck Driving II

Course Description:

Professional Truck Driving I: Overview of the State of Texas Class A Commercial Driver's License written test. Includes preparation for mastery of the Commercial Driver's License written examination, general truck driving skills with hands-on component, and instruction coordinated with the Department of Transportation.

Professional Truck Driver II: A continuation of Professional Truck Driver I. General truck driving with hands-on skill development and instruction coordinated with the Department of Transportation.

Suggested Course Prerequisite(s): Students must be 18 years of age or older, have an acceptable driving record, a valid Texas driver's license, have received and passed a Department of Transportation (DOT) Physical Exam, have the ability to read, write, and speak the English language, and meet the requirements of the [Motor Carrier Federal Safety Regulations, Qualifications of Drivers](#).

Course Resources: Class room instruction provided on site at Collin College Farmersville campus. In-cab training provided off site through our contracted training provider R&B Vocational Training. Any concerns with your in-truck instruction, testing, and training schedule should be addressed directly with R&B Trucking instructors.

Student Learning Outcomes: Demonstrate the safe operation and compliance with the law in various maneuvers of a commercial vehicle in different traffic situations; operate a tractor-trailer combination; and maneuver the vehicle safely frontward and backward around various obstacles.

Certification Notes: Passing the skill test is required to receive your CDL License for the State of Texas. Upon completion of the course, students may request a certificate of completion at CEcertificate@collin.edu.

Next course recommendation: none

Refund Policy:

Please refer to <https://www.collin.edu/ce/inforegistrar.html> for our refund policy. No refunds after the start time of the first class.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Collin College will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to contact the ACCESS office, SCC-D140, or **972.881.5898 (V/TTD: 972.881.5950)** to arrange for appropriate accommodation. See the current [Collin Student Handbook](#) for additional information.

Method of Evaluation: Unless otherwise stated, course completion is evaluated based on attendance. Students must attend 90% of each course in a certificate series for successful completion and to earn a certificate as specified.

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

Instructor's Name: Bryce Walker

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I generally respond to all emails within 2 business days.

Course Sessions: Listed are guidelines to indicate all topics covered during your course. Please do not plan your personal calendar based on these sessions. Your instructor will give you a calendar for your class that will indicate specific topics, assignments, and days.

Lesson Plan – by week or session:

Part 1 (Weeks 1 & 2)
Texas Special Requirements/ General Knowledge Air Brakes/ Combination Vehicles CDL Endorsements/ Cargo Securement Review DOT Physicals/ Take Permit Test Pre-Trip/Shifting/Basic Driving
Part 2 (Weeks 3 & 4)
Technical Driving/Backing/Pad Work/Pre-Trip Technical Driving/Backing/Pad Work/Pre-Trip Last Day: Final Drive Test (Pre-Trip, Skills Test, Road Test)

Minimum Technology Requirement: Basic computer skills

Minimum Student Skills:

- ❖ The student is entirely responsible and accountable for their pace and completion of course requirements.
- ❖ Beyond routine course management, the student is required to initiate any necessary communication(s) with the Instructor.

Student Responsibilities:

- 1) Students are expected to attend all classes to fulfill the required hours for the training. Students should report to class at the designated start time and remain until the instructor dismisses the class. Should an emergency arise, it's the student's responsibility to notify the instructor before class begins or at least the same day the student is absent if unable to do so before class begins.
- 2) If a student has a second absence for any reason, documentation must be provided to the instructor explaining the absence. Unexcused absences may result in the student being removed from the course (without a refund) or receiving an incomplete and be ineligible to take the CDL test. Every effort will be made to make up excused absences based on available training time, particularly in the truck.

- 3) Learning time in the truck does not mean that the student will be “at the wheel” the entire time. Part of the learning experience includes observation of other drivers. It is the instructor’s responsibility to ensure all students receive the required training hours behind the wheel. Any concerns regarding driving time should first be addressed with your instructor. XYZ Company is responsible for providing the required training time and will be responsible for resolving any concerns.
- 4) Dates for the CDL tests will be arranged as soon as a student has received his/her permit. This may require that a student’s test date is up to 14 days or more after the conclusion of the course. In those cases, students will be provided with a refresher day by R&B within a few days before their scheduled test date.
- 5) If you are unable to make a scheduled test date or practice time for any reason, please contact the instructor at least 48 hours prior to the test date/time. This will allow the slot to be used by another student.
- 6) If a student has any concerns at any time, please speak with the instructor. The program is conducted by a third party, R&B Vocational Training, in partnership with Collin College. R&B Vocational Training is responsible for your satisfaction with the training provided.
- 7) R&B Vocational Training follows routine maintenance of its vehicles to ensure safe and efficient operations throughout each class. However, unexpected mechanical issues may arise from time to time, causing a scheduled class day to be delayed. Any missed days as a result will be made up. Students will be notified immediately should this occur.
- 8) As this is a learning environment, respect and consideration of classmates and instructor is expected at all times, both in the classroom and in the truck. Please respect that each student will master their driving skills at different rates.
- 9) Eating in the trucks is prohibited. If you have a drink item, please remove it once daily training has been completed. Everyone is responsible for keeping the training trucks clean for the next class. Smoking is prohibited at all the training sites.