

Fleet training/Driver Risk Assessment

- Do you run a business large or small?
- Do you want to cut your running costs for your vehicles?
- If an employee was injured in a road traffic collision how would your business cope?
- What would happen to the reputation of your company if you were prosecuted as a result?

When there is a Road Traffic Collision (RTC) the costs go beyond the repairs and insurance claims and can escalate into thousands of pounds. When running a small business if a key member of staff is off work for an unexpected period of time due to an RTC this could result in loss of business, which could have severe financial consequences.

Since 6th April 2008, driving at work falls under The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, which means that as an employer you are responsible for the safety of your workers whilst they are driving for work. The Corporate Manslaughter and Homicide Act that came into force means that as an employer you could be found liable for any injuries or fatalities. This means that if a member of your staff is involved in a crash, which causes injury to a member of the public and the employee has had no training, then your company could be liable. It is estimated that one in every three road traffic collisions involves somebody who is driving on work related business at the time. That does not include commuting. Therefore managing health and safety on the road, is as vital to your employee's well-being as managing risk in the office, on a site or working in a workshop

The following skills will be developed on the course:

- Observation
- Awareness
- Anticipation
- Planning
- Speed awareness
- Space management
- Legal compliances
- Vehicle sympathy
- Eco-Driving
- Safe cornering and the use of limit points

Advice will be given also in the following areas

- Vehicle safety checks
- Avoiding fatigue
- Fitness for driving and avoiding stress
- Vehicle security
- Personal security and avoiding conflict

- Safe vehicle loading
- Dealing with different weather conditions

Some of the main benefits to you from this course and indeed all our courses will be:

- Lower insurance costs
- A reduced risk of a staff member being involved in a road traffic collision
- Better fuel consumption
- Reduced wear and tear on your vehicles
- Updated knowledge about new traffic laws for your driving staff
- Improved staff morale
- Better corporate image
- Improved business

All courses will be:

- Fully structured and tailored to suit your needs
- Conducted at the delegate's speed
- Done in the location of the delegate and in the delegate's own car (if desired)*

At the end of the course you and your delegate will receive a written driving report which will highlight areas to consider for continued improvements.

*** Training vehicle:**

The training can be carried out in the delegate's vehicle as this is what they will be more familiar with. The vehicle must be suitable, roadworthy, taxed, have an MOT if applicable and be fully insured. If your delegate does not have a vehicle then the course can be conducted in the trainer's own vehicle.

Eye sight, licence checks and other information:

All drivers must hold a valid current licence for the vehicle they will be driving and must be able to read a vehicle registration plate from a distance of 67 feet (20.5m) If glasses are required then they must be worn throughout the training. If drivers are on medication then this will be noted and the driver should check with their pharmacist as to whether it is safe to drive whilst taking the medication.