



## Driver Training

Training is generally an essential part of an organisation's strategy to improve performance in most areas of the business. Driver training is no exception. The right training course will reduce accidents and vehicle wear and tear and improve driver and passenger security.

Lodi's concept of Fleet Management incorporates Driver Training - Lodi believes this is one of the most effective tools for overall improvement of fleet operations.

### Driver training is affordable

For many organisations Driver Training is a "desirable" part of fleet management which is often overlooked because of affordability. But can organisations really NOT afford regular driver training? Lodi believes that Driver Training is an essential investment – an important money saver and life saver.

### Social Responsibility

Statistics Published by the UN Road Safety Collaboration identified 1.2m global deaths in 2002 from road accidents of which 75% were in the developing world - an alarming piece of data considering that the developing world has less than 25% of the world's vehicles. By the year 2020, the World Health Organisation estimates that road accidents will be the third highest global cause of death and injury.

### Improve effectiveness and reduce costs

As well as causing accidents, untrained drivers will account for excessive fuel consumption and costly wear and tear of vehicles - particularly engines, transmissions, suspension and brakes. They will expose themselves and their passengers to unnecessary security risks. And remember - accidents will raise insurance premiums if recorded.

To help address these potentially serious problems, Lodi provide a wide range of driver and safety awareness training courses using some of the most experienced off-road driver trainers in the UK. Courses are available on-site.

### The Lodi integrated, flexible approach

As part of Lodi's integrated range of Fleet Management services, Driver Training courses will be tailored to suit local conditions and the client's specific needs and priorities. Lodi will incorporate driver training as part of a Fleet Management programme or provide stand alone courses



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### Course outline

Lodi driver training courses are generally from 1 to 5 days depending on the level of training required, topics to be covered and current level of driver ability and experience. In general, courses will be 40% classroom based and 60% practical and will be made up of modules selected by the client. All courses will include a test and reward process, providing a measure of achievement and an incentive to learn.

### Courses focus on developing a number of key skills:

- Preparation and planning
- Awareness of hazards and surroundings and ability to maintain vehicle control
- Optimising vehicle performance in normal and hazardous conditions
- Driving to ensure safety of passengers and other road users

### Modules include:

- Vehicle technical familiarisation
- Trip preparation
- Safety/ security awareness
- Driver level - checks and maintenance
- Basic road-craft and practical on-road driver training to optimise economic and safe driving
- Introduction to 4x4 technology and driving techniques - getting the most out of your vehicle
- Intermediate off-road driver training
- Safe and economic vehicle loading
- Self recovery, towing and use of the winch, jack and vehicle tools
- Basic fault diagnosis to improve rescue and recovery effectiveness

### Summary of Course types

- A. Vehicle familiarisation – Introduction to basic vehicle mechanics and 4 wheel-drive systems; vehicle features and controls; basic maintenance
- B. Introductory 4x4 Driving – Planning and preparation; driving safely on and off-road; basic off-road driving techniques including navigation of deep water, steep gradients and side slopes; ensuring maximum traction over rough terrain and mud; vehicle handling.
- C. Advanced 4x4 Driving – Covers all areas of the introductory course but applies more advanced driving techniques; handling more severe conditions and obstacles; self-recovery.
- D. Defensive Driving – Driving to optimise safety on and off-road; hazard appreciation, braking and cornering safely in all conditions; vehicle control and safety awareness
- E. Safety and Risk Awareness – instruction for drivers likely to face high risk situations includes risk awareness training and how to manage and minimise risk.
- F. Train the Trainer – covers the topics included in A, B and C with the addition of supervised student to student instruction sessions

### Call or email for a detailed programme or for Lodi to develop a course to suit your needs. Engage in a driver training programme and immediately see the results:

- Improved vehicle reliability
- Improved productivity
- Improved driver and passenger safety
- Reduced costs from maintenance to insurance premiums
- Reduced vehicle downtime
- A sound social responsibility record and a rewarded, more capable team