Instructor Guidance

Training Skills, Knowledge and Experience for Dangerous Goods Driver Training (DGDT)

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Introduction

This guidance sets out the details that training providers need for each instructor that is nominated to deliver a DGDT course programme, as part of the application process.

The centre must provide evidence to show the instructor holds appropriate:

- 1. Training skills
- 2. Knowledge
- 3. Experience

Prior authorisation must be sought before a new instructor is permitted to deliver DGDT or an existing instructor is permitted to deliver additional classes and/or for another training provider.

The following pages provide examples of evidence that demonstrate the necessary requirements against each of the criterion.

Instructor Requirements

Evidence Type	Qualification
Training Skills	 Certificate of Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector (CTTLS) now CET Diploma in education and Training (DTTLS) now DET at least level 3 Level 3 or above in education and Training Level 3 or above in Training and Development Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning (PTTLS) now AET at least Level 3 Class 1 instructor's course Experience of delivering training courses for adults on job related topics (Appendix A)
Knowledge	Must hold a current ADR Driver Training Certificate, covering the classes/modules to be delivered.
Experience	 Current DGSA certificate CV providing full details of dangerous goods experience. Experience of the transport of the dangerous substances for which training is to be conducted either in a managerial/supervisory capacity or a driver/operative. Evidence of an ADR Instructor course recognised by DVSA/HSENI. This is also required for Class 1 (Explosives):
	Evidence of experience in transporting explosives in a managerial or supervisory role, or as a driver/operator.
	This is also required for Class 7 (Radioactive):
	Evidence of experience in transporting radioactive materials.
Practical Exercise (Fire Fighting)	Must hold a Fire Officer Training Certificate from either Fire Service, Armed Forces, or Extinguisher Manufacturer or equivalent. Please note on-line training is not acceptable.
Practical Exercise (First Aid)	 Current First Aid at Work Certificate Current MOD First Aid Qualification Registered General Nurse Paramedic NB: Refresher First Aid at Work Certificate (minimum 2-day requalification First Aid at Work course)

Instructor Evidence Template

This table should be used for each instructor delivering a Dangerous Goods Driver Training (DGDT) course programme. Please provide sufficient detail to demonstrate the instructor's ability to deliver the modules listed below.

Instructor Details		
Name		
Instructor Number (if applicable)		
	Modules	
Please tick those modules that you would like the instructor to	deliver for you:	
Core (including practical exercises)		
Packages		
Classes: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9		
Tanks		
Class 1		
Class 7		

Training Skills - Qualifications
Details of training qualifications/certificates held, including expiry date: and experience in the transport of dangerous substances in a managerial/supervisory capacity or as a driver/operative:
Training Skills Experience
If the instructor does not hold a formal qualification, please provide details of training skills and experience:

	Class 1 (Explosives)
In addition to minimum instructor requirements above, details of qualifications/certificates held including expiry date, and experience in the transport of explosives in a managerial/supervisory capacity or as a Driver/Operative:	

Class 7 (Radioactive)
In addition to requirements above, details of qualifications/certificates held including expiry date, specific to radioactive material and
Operational experience in the transport of radioactive materials: