



## PCV (BUS AND COACH) DRIVER APPRENTICESHIP

This programme can be used to raise the skill levels of existing staff or to train new recruits to become an qualified Bus Driver by gaining their **Cat D** licence at 12 weeks.



### BENEFITS OF EMPLOYING AN APPRENTICE

- Well trained and productive members of staff.
- A useful recruitment strategy to help tackle the PCV driver shortage.
- Mentoring and support to help apprentices develop and integrate within the company.
- The opportunity to upskill and retain existing staff.
- Giving staff a career route with progression.
- Showcasing an attractive and structured training and development programme to attract the best talent.

### COURSE DETAILS

The course will take a minimum of **13 months** to complete. The learners must be employed by the business and work for 30 hours or more per week to be eligible.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility is subject to candidates passing their medical and obtaining their provisional **Category D** Licence.

Learners must hold or achieve a **Level 1 Maths and English**. If they don't already hold the required grades, they will be initially assessed to ensure they are capable of achieving Level 1 Maths and English by the end of the apprenticeship - which is equivalent to grade D/3 GCSE. (They are also required to attempt level 2)

This apprenticeship is delivered via blended learning which, in addition to the practical training, includes online interactive learning and driver CPC workshops delivered over live zoom technology by expert tutors. Learning includes;

- Theory and Hazard Perception
- Vulnerable Road Users
- Driver Safety
- PCV Driving Skills and Techniques
- Drivers Hours & Record keeping
- Safe & Fuel Efficient Driving
- Safe Manoeuvring
- Customer Care

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## QUALIFICATIONS

At the end of the apprenticeship, the learner will achieve the following:

**Cat D PCV Licence  
Plus**

**35 hours of DVSA accredited CPC Hours\***

\*There is also the opportunity to add an additional 5 days worth of Driver CPC for a small additional admin upload fee to DVSA

Optional employer specific qualifications such as First Aid, Health & Safety at an additional cost.



## WHAT IS REQUIRED AS AN EMPLOYER?

Employers are required to allow learners time off the job (during normal working hours) to prepare for both the theory test and the practical driver training and test. In addition, learners will be released from normal work patterns to attend the self directed online learning modules, any functional skills requirements and the pre-planned 5 Driver CPC workshops.

## COSTS / APPRENTICESHIP LEVY

If your business pays into the apprenticeship levy, the cost of the training is fully funded. If you do not pay into the levy then the government still covers 95% of the costs so you only pay £300 of the PCV course fees.

### PRACTICAL LEARNING

**Induction** - Via Live Zoom Technology

**Mod 1a & 1b Hazard Perception** - Revision & Test

**Mod 2 Learning Modules and Case Study Exam**

**Mod 4 Exam**

**Mod 3 - PCV Driver Training and Test**

**Buddy Training** - 8 weeks team up with colleague



### 5 PROFESSIONAL DRIVER CPC WORKSHOPS



- Driver Safety
- Vulnerable Road users
- Essential Vehicle Checks
- Safe and fuel-efficient driving
- Drivers Hours & Record keeping

### ADDITIONAL ONLINE LEARNING

- British values, Safeguarding, Prevent e-learning
- Countering vehicle as a weapon



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