Class A CDL Preparatory

Credential Awarded	**Diploma**
Contact Hours	**172**
Program Quarter Credits	**0**
Instructional Weeks	**5**
Mode of Delivery	**Residential**

Program Description

The course material presented in the Class A CDL Preparatory program is designed to allow the reasonably diligent student to take and pass the Commercial Driver's License test. The graduate will have sufficient skills and knowledge to allow employment as an entry-level Tractor Trailer Driver or Straight Truck Driver.

The program is primarily designed to allow an entry-level driver to find his or her first job with a large Company doing over the road type driving. These companies have their own in-house training departments that provide additional training to entry-level drivers. The exceptional student will be able to find employment in a smaller company without a training department.

The Training consists of a combination of classroom training, hands on training in a practice yard and hands on training on the road.

Graduation Requirements

Graduates of the Class A CDL Preparatory program are awarded a diploma. Requirements for graduation include the following:

1. A minimum average/overall grade of 80% in the theory courses of the program (Module 1) are required to continue to the road and range. A minimum passing grade of Proficient on the road and range (Module 2 and 3) is required for completion of the course. Proficiency (P) is determined by a 70% or above on the final exam. Any course receiving a Not Proficient (F) will need to be repeated.
2. Successfully complete all of the scheduled driving skill evaluations
3. Return any school property, including books and equipment, when applicable.
4. Meet all financial obligations to the school.

Class A CDL Preparatory Program

172 Clock Hours (A clock hour is defined as an actual hour of scheduled attendance.)

Module 1: CDL Preparatory	Module 2: Basic Vehicle Control Skills I	Module 3: Road Skills
A1.1 Basic Operation	A2.1 Vehicle Inspection Pre-Trip/ Enroute/Post-trip	A3.1 Vehicle Control – left turns, right turns, lane changes, curves at highway speeds, and entry and exit on the interstate or controlled
1.1.1 Orientation	A2.2 Straight Line Backing	access highways.
1.1.2 Control Systems/Dashboard	A2.3 Alley Dock Backing (45/90 Degree)	A3.2 Shifting/Transmission
1.1.3 Pre- and Post-Trip Inspections	A2.4 Off-Set Backing	A3.3 Communications/Signaling
1.1.4 Basic Control	A2.5 Parallel Parking Blind Side	A3.4 Visual Search
1.1.5 Shifting/Operating Transmissions	A2.6 Parallel Parking Sight Side	A3.5 Speed and Space Management
1.1.6 Backing and Docking	**Module 2 Total Hours – 45 Hours**	A3.6 Safe Driver Behavior
A1.2 Safe Operating Procedures		A3.7 (HOS) Hours of Service demonstration
1.2.1 Visual Search		A3.8 Hazard Perception
1.2.1 Communication		A3.9 Railroad(RR)-Highway Grade Crossing
1.2.3 Distracted Driving		A3.10 Night Operation

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1.2.4 Speed Management		A3.11 Extreme Driving Conditions
1.2.5 Space Management		A3.12 Skid Control/Recovery, Jackknifing, and other emergencies
1.2.6 Night Operation		**Module 3 Total Hours – 45 Hours**
1.2.7 Extreme Driving Conditions		
A1.3Advanced Operating Practices		
1.3. Hazard Perception		
1.3. Skid Control/Recovery, Jackknifing, and Other Emergencies		
1.3. Railroad-Highway Grade Crossings		
A1.4 Identification and Diagnosis of Malfunctions		
1.4.2 Roadside Inspections		
1.4.3 Maintenance		
A1.5 Non-Driving Activities		
1.5.1Handling and Documenting Cargo		
1.5.2 Environmental Compliance Issues		
1.5.3 Hours of Service Requirements		
Module 1 Total Hours – 82 Hours		

Plan of Study

Course Code	Name	Clock Hours	Credits	Quarter Credits
Module 1	CDL Preparatory	82	0	0
Module 2	Basic Vehicle Control Skills I	45	0	0
Module 3	Road Skills	45	0	0

Course Descriptions

Module 1 : CDL Preparatory

A1.1 Basic Operation
1.1.1 Orientation
1.1.2 Control Systems/Dashboard
1.1.3 Pre- and Post-Trip Inspections
1.1.4 Basic Control
1.1.5 Shifting/Operating Transmissions
1.1.6 Backing and Docking
A1.2 Safe Operating Procedures
1.2.1 Visual Search
1.2.1 Communication
1.2.3 Distracted Driving
1.2.4 Speed Management
1.2.5 Space Management
1.2.6 Night Operation
1.2.7 Extreme Driving Conditions
A1.3Advanced Operating Practices
1.3. Hazard Perception
1.3. Skid Control/Recovery, Jackknifing, and Other Emergencies
1.3. Railroad-Highway Grade Crossings

A1.4 Identification and Diagnosis of Malfunctions
1.4.2 Roadside Inspections
1.4.3 Maintenance
A1.5 Non-Driving Activities
1.5.1Handling and Documenting Cargo
1.5.2 Environmental Compliance Issues
1.5.3 Hours of Service Requirements

Clock Hours	**82**

Module 2 : Basic Vehicle Control Skills I

A2.1 Vehicle Inspection Pre-Trip/Enroute/Post-trip
A2.2 Straight Line Backing
A2.3 Alley Dock Backing (45/90 Degree)
A2.4 Off-Set Backing
A2.5 Parallel Parking Blind Side
A2.6 Parallel Parking Sight Side

Clock Hours	**45**

Module 3 : Road Skills

A3.1 Vehicle Control – left turns, right turns, lane changes, curves at highway speeds, and entry and exit on the interstate or controlled access highways.
A3.2 Shifting/Transmission
A3.3 Communications/Signaling
A3.4 Visual Search
A3.5 Speed and Space Management
A3.6 Safe Driver Behavior
A3.7 (HOS) Hours of Service demonstration
A3.8 Hazard Perception
A3.9 Railroad(RR)-Highway Grade Crossing
A3.10 Night Operation
A3.11 Extreme Driving Conditions
A3.12 Skid Control/Recovery, Jackknifing, and other emergencies

Clock Hours	**45**