



What is CPC?

Driver CPC (Certificate of Professional Competence) is a professional qualification required by all bus, coach and lorry drivers. The Europe wide measure intends to improve road safety and maintain quality driving standards.

CPC is a legal requirement for any drivers of lorries over 3.5 tonnes and any driver's minibus with nine seats or more. Driver CPC is obtained easily through theory and practical tests, followed by periodic training.

If you obtained your license after 10 September 2009, you will need to obtain the qualification, which carries numerous benefits.

How CPC will benefit you...

Not only will CPC assist you in stabilising insurance cost and reducing fuel and maintenance expenses, it will guarantee that a professional image is portrayed at all times, increasing potential business and overall reputation. The CPC ensures that all drivers in Europe are professionally qualified and knowledgeable about the vehicles they drive.

Possessing a CPC will undoubtedly benefit your long term driving career and ensures that you will remain a safe, courteous and fuel-efficient driver. Additionally, the CPC protects you from the ever changing legal regulations. If you already hold both LGV (Large Goods Vehicles) and PCV (Passenger Carrying Vehicles) licence entitlements, you only have to complete one set of CPC requirements!

How Skills in Logistics can help

Skills in Logistics are committed to providing you with first class CPC training. Over the years we've trained many staff who have gone on to become experts in the industry. We use modern equipment and comply with all legislation, ensuring that you can obtain the best possible CPC training.

We're also a consortium member of the Road Transport Industry Training Board (RTITB), meaning we can offer quality training for both LGV and PCV drivers at a fantastic rate. If you would like to know more or to discuss possible courses, please contact us on stewart@skillsinlogistics.co.uk or phone 07894 109046 to discuss your training needs analysis.

What the training involves

If you're a new driver, you will have to pass four modules before obtaining a CPC license.

- Module 1 involves a Hazard Perception Test, along with the Highway Code Theory Test.
- Module 2 is a case study, requiring you to answer questions on given statements. This is usually taken immediately after Module 1.
- Module 3 requires you to undergo a practical driving test, but only once you have successfully passed module 1. This lasts approximately 90 minutes and has to be achieved with less than 15 minor faults and no serious faults
- Module 4 is the final module and involves an extensive 'walk around' the vehicle and discusses legislative matters.

New drivers benefit from the CPC by increasing their amount of knowledge and all drivers have to partake in 35 hours of training every five years (known as Periodic Training) to ensure that their Driver CPC is up to date. This is to confirm that you're aware of what is required to be a competent driver and keeps you on top of changing regulations.