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# **CDL CLASS B LICENSE**



The major difference between CDL A and B licenses is the size of the trailer, if any, that you would be towing. Think of the difference between a city bus and a tractor-trailer combination fully loaded with cargo. If you have ever towed a trailer of any kind behind your car or truck, you know that managing the extra box behind you takes some special handling skills, and it takes extra practice to be able to get the trailer to move in the right direction backing up. Handling large turns is a different sort of challenge in a Class-A vehicle.

**The commercial driving industry is the 5th fastest growing employer in the nation**

# CDL CLASS B LICENSE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

## Course Length

120 Hours

## Who Can Enroll

Adults

## Schedule

Monday - Friday  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## Full Time

\$2,988.00

## Part Time

\$2,608.50

## Books & Fees

\$31.00

## Equipment & Clearances

\$419.50

## Total

\$3,059.00

## Average Pennsylvania Salary

\$20.00



The main responsibility associated with Class B driving jobs is picking up freight at one location and moving it to another. Drivers may also load and unload cargo, fill out paperwork, use electronic delivery tracking systems and communicate with dispatchers about changes to the schedule or route. They generally work a 40-hour week, although some CDL Class B jobs require drivers to work more than 50 hours. Schedules include early mornings or late nights, especially when driving a grocery goods truck.

## HELPFUL ATTRIBUTES & ABILITIES

RELIABLE

SELF-DEPENDENT

COURTEOUS

STRESS MANAGEMENT SKILLS

HONESTY

ALERTNESS

Tuition, fees, career majors, courses and hours are subject to change without notice.

# CDL CLASS B LICENSE COURSE HIGHLIGHTS



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WACTC has a long and storied history of success. The Class "B" Commercial Drivers License program was developed to meet the demands of local businesses who continuously have a need for talented craftsman. Their expertise was instrumental in creating the final product.

## COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

Pre-Trip Vehicle Inspections \* Turning \* Shifting \* Backing \* Hours of Service (Logging) \* Trip Planning \* Map Reading \* Visual Search & Mirror Use \* Space Speed Management

## THE WACTC WAY

At WACTC we believe succeeding in the trucking industry involves a certain kind of mindset and the ability to work independently. If you only want to drive a straight truck that weighs more than 26,001 lbs., or a truck towing a trailer that weighs less than 10,001 lbs., then please join us.

# CDL CLASS B LICENSE FINANCES

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If you have joined us at this page, you are contemplating a life changing career decision. It will affect you and your family for years to come. Part of your decision has to be affordability.

Being part of a non-profit public institution, we have tried to keep the costs down as much as fiscally possible. The CDL programs offer limited financial aid options. We are not a pay-as-you-go, fly by night training facility. Completed financial arrangements must be secured before the first day of class.

We offer the following financial options;

Workforce Investment Act

Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA Grant)

Occupational Vocational Rehabilitation

Sallie Mae Loan (You can apply on line at the following URL address: [www.SallieMae.com/CTSmartLoan](http://www.SallieMae.com/CTSmartLoan) )

Self-Funding



# CDL CLASS B LICENSE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## Q. How long is the course?

Currently, WACTC offers the Class B license program during daylight hours. You will attend Monday through Friday from roughly 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM for four (4) weeks or a total of 160 hours of instruction

## Q. How much does it cost?

WACTC is a non-profit institution, so we really try to keep our costs down. The Class B option is \$3,059.00. We have financial experts on staff to assist you in the process.

## Q. Are there job opportunities for me when I'm finished?

Class B CDL holders can work as straight truck delivery drivers. Class B delivery truck drivers typically make local deliveries allowing them to be home nightly. For those looking to stay on the road for extended periods of time, there are long-haul CDL Class B jobs available. Chartered or tour bus driving are two possibilities that keep a CDL B driver behind the wheel longer and with changing scenery. Other CDL Class B jobs may include operating straight dump trucks for landscaping and construction firms, moving sand, gravel, asphalt or mulch. Others will go on to drive small tank trucks such as airport refuelers or milk transport, or food service trucks like ice cream or construction site catering trucks.

# CDL CLASS B LICENSE FACTS & FIGURES

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#### COURSE OBJECTIVE:

Students will obtain a Commercial Driver License (CDL) Class "B"

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This 160 hour program prepares students to obtain their Commercial Drivers License and work in the Commercial Driving Industry. Instruction includes preparation for Pennsylvania State Permit Test to final Skills Exams.

#### COURSE TOPICS:

Permit Preparation | Log Books and Documentation | Trip Planning | Pre-Trip Inspection | Basic Controls | Driving Without Trailer | Down Shifting | Straight Line Backing | Parallel Parking | Road Skills

#### COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Pennsylvanian Driver License | Clean Driving Record | DOT Physical | Drug Screening | Act 34 Clearance: Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Check | Act 33 Clearance: Pennsylvania State Child Abuse History

#### SPECIALIZED SHOP EQUIPMENT:

Numerous Trucks and Buses