

**TRACTOR-TRAILER UPGRADE COURSE  
CLASS A  
150 CLOCK HOURS**

**2 Weeks & 4 Days – Full Time  
8 Weeks – Weekends**

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**SECTION ONE: CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION 45 Hrs.**

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Classroom Instruction consists of introducing students to the trucking industry, its regulations, laws, taxes, and standard. It covers a wide range of subjects to strengthen the students' knowledge in truck driving techniques, maneuvers and safety awareness.

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**SECTION TWO: DRIVING RANGE 65 Hrs.**

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Driving Range instruction consists of teaching students how to properly maintain their equipment, couple and uncouple tractor-trailer combination units, perform vehicle inspections, and practice various backing maneuvers to advance the students skill level.

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**SECTION THREE: ROAD TRAINING 40 Hrs.**

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On road instruction introduces the students to various traffic situations and to various roadway systems to develop safe driving techniques. Students apply speed and space management, visual search, communication, shifting techniques, double clutching, progressive shifting, and defensive driving techniques to safely operate a tractor-trailer. A total of approximately 450 miles of on-road training is implemented to develop the students' performance level.

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**TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS \*\*\*\*\* 150 Hrs.**

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:** This program is designed for individuals who have a Class B license and have previous commercial driving experience. Training prepares students for re-entry into the trucking industry.