

CDL ENTRY-LEVEL DRIVER TRAINING (ELDT)

LICENSING SOLUTIONS

Public works departments (PWD) across New Hampshire are tackling the task of hiring and, most importantly, retaining employees in this challenging job market. Many of our PWD are doing this in conjunction with adapting their onboarding with the February 2022 changes in CDL ELDT requirements.



MUNICIPALITIES & ELDT PROGRAMS THEY ARE USING

Goffstown

- ProDriver University for the theory portion
- They have learned a few tips along the way:
 - The Behind-the-Wheel (BTW) portion must be entered before the ProDriver University theory course will show in the NHDMV records.
 - One must log into the ProDriver University training host site to see the theory training

Manchester

- Infiniti-I Workplace Solutions for theory portion
 - Comprised of 64 videos
 - Infiniti-I automatically notifies the FMCSA with the required documentation
 - Three internal employees will be registered as TPR to provide BTW training

Merrimack

- Expects to use CDL PowerSuite for the theory portion and designated employees will be registered as TPR to provide the BTW portion

Portsmouth

- ProDriver University for the theory portion
- An in-house BTW trainer has been registered in the TPR

Somersworth

- ProDriver University for the theory portion
- In-house BTW trainer has been registered in the TPR
- Human Resource Manager is assisting with supporting record keeping

Stratham

- The Director of Public Works registered in TPR as both a Theory and Behind-the-Wheel TPR for in-house purposes
- Utilizing the free Clear Roads training materials for the theory portion
 - By utilizing the Clear Roads material and providing the theory training in-house, they can customize the training for the trainee if there are areas they struggle with or need to revisit

Other communities have shared they're using JJ Keller.

Also, Ohio LTAP Center is providing CDL Theory training *free of charge* via eLearning.

Visit: <https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/programs/ltap/elearning/cdl>

Drivers are advised to check the registry to ensure their training records reflect they've completed the required theory and BTW elements once the TP has uploaded all certifications. This may help avoid any delays when scheduling the Skills Test, if for any reason the driver's record reflects incomplete.

<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/Check>

Reminder - BTW training consists of two portions: range and open road. Both portions must be completed. Also note that individual employee "trainers" (instructors) do not have to register as an individual with the TPR if the municipal agency registers in the TPR. Registering the municipal agency in the TPR provides for continued TPR status in the event an in-house trainer (instructor) leaves employment. Instructors must still meet the minimum standards outlined in order to provide instruction for the municipal agency, including holding an appropriate CDL classification for the course they're instructing.

KNOWN CDL SCHOOLS IN OUR AREA

Patten's Commercial Driver Training
PO Box 713
Newport NH 03773
(603)851-2624

White Mountains Community College
2020 Riverside Drive
Berlin, NH 03570
(603) 752-1113

Commercial Driving School LLC
70 Pembroke Rd #3, Concord, NH
(603) 715-2559

New England Tractor Trailer Training School
1600 Osgood St #3107, North Andover, MA 01845
(978) 965-2969

UNH T2 does not intend to suggest, sell, or recommend any specific provider by sharing their contact information here. Rather, we want to provide as many potential resources as possible to municipalities for their additional review and consideration.

RESOURCES

[FMCSA Entry-Level Driver Training](#)

[Trainer Provider Registry](#)

[ProDrivers University](#)

[Infiniti-I Expert Entry Level Driver Training \(ELDT\) 2022](#)

[Clear Roads](#)

[CDL Power Suite](#)



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