



PTDI Driver Finishing

Standards and Certification

What are Driver Finishing Programs?

- Finishing Programs are internal training provided by companies to their drivers.
- The primary goal of Driver Finishing programs is MASTERY of solo commercial motor vehicle driver skills. This is different than proficiency acquired through entry level training programs.
- Finishing programs provide additional knowledge and skills that fully prepare the driver to perform independently behind the wheel. The investment trucking companies make by delivering specialized commodity, equipment and customer training increases driver professionalism, safety and quality operations.

What is PTDI's Driver Finishing Framework?

PTDI's Driver Finishing standards and certification provide trucking companies that offer internal driver training a "blueprint for excellence."

- Companies large and small can use the industry vetted standards and certification process to customize a Driver Finishing Program that meets their specific training needs.
- The Driver Finishing standards and certification boast potential for quality improvements, cost efficiencies and another key benefit: mitigating risk.
- Certification allows customization of content and training methods. Integrate your corporate policies and procedures and create a Driver Finishing program meets industry leading practices but is NOT overly burdensome to maintain.

Who is it for?

- Trucking companies large and small can customize content and methods for a Program that meets their specific training needs.
- Whether you are affirming an existing program, want to improve the training you offer or are just starting to put together a program, PTDI's Driver finishing certification can help.

Benefits of PTDI's DF Framework

- Blueprint for success
- Risk mitigation
- Cost efficiencies
- Industry leading standards
- Training program resources
- Certification

The standards allow you to customize your program and incorporate your company's policies.

Certification provides external verification of your program and manageable annual reporting.

Highlights of the DF Standards

- Professional training operations
- Instruction is guided by clearly stated objectives
- Qualified administrative leadership
- Written policies in key areas, especially safety
- Clear and defined program guidelines
- Required minimum experience for instructional personnel
- Instructors complete an approved Train-the-Trainer program of 26 hours (minimum)
- At least 16 hours of the Train-the-Trainer program are teaching and presentation skills
- Ongoing training and performance evaluation for instructors
- Curriculum and lesson plans that incorporate PTDI Driver Finishing skills
- Quality classroom and range conditions
- Drivers receive a minimum 200 hours for Behind-the-Wheel instruction
- Assessments that determine mastery of skills for the solo, first seat driver
- Ongoing evaluation of the DF Program
- Program performance Follow-up

What is the Certification Process?

1. Review the skill and certification standards
2. Complete the Certification Application
3. Create your DF Certification Profile to tell us about your program

Certification is awarded to a company's program when it can demonstrate adherence to PTDI's industry leading standards.

Driver Finishing Certification Fees

- Fees are based on the number of company power units.
- Initial Certification fees are one time. Maintain certification with a renewal fee each year thereafter.

Power Units

1 – 99
100 – 249
250 – 999
1000 – 4999
5000+

Initial Certification

\$725
\$1000
\$1500
\$2500
\$3750

Annual Renewal

\$375
\$500
\$750
\$1250
\$1500

Driver Finishing Renewal Deadlines

- Cert Group is assigned by PTDI at initial certification
- Renewals begin two months prior to your Cert Group anniversary





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