

CAREER PROFILES

Transport Truck Driver:

Transport Truck Drivers operate heavy trucks to transport goods and materials over urban, interurban, provincial, and international routes. They also operate logging trucks, and other special purpose trucks to move goods to and from loading docks within trucking yards or lots.

Wage/Salary Information:

\$41,400 is the median annual salary found in local job-postings.

\$20.31/hour is the average wage reported locally.

Commonly Listed Skills in Job Postings:

- Teamwork
- Detail oriented
- Freight
- Oral and written communication
- Customer service oriented
- Maintenance
- Self-motivated
- Problem solving
- Work independent
- Forklift driving
- Time management
- Heavy equipment operation
- Organizational skills
- Critical thinking
- Adaptability
- Bilingual
- Management

Job Duties:

Long-haul Transport Truck Drivers operate and drive primarily tractor-trailer, long-combination vehicle and straight-body trucks weighing over 4500 kg to transport goods and materials over long distances. Long-haul Transport Truck Drivers plan trip logistics and obtain required documentation to transport goods and perform pre-trip, en route, and post-trip inspection of vehicle systems, equipment and accessories such as tires, lights, and turning signals, brakes, and cold storage. They ensure cargo is secured properly in accordance with safety requirements and follow safety procedures for transporting dangerous goods. Long-

haul Transport Truck Drivers also record cargo information, hours of service, distance travelled, and fuel consumption, administer bills of lading and manually or electronically maintain log books, and communicate with dispatchers, other drivers, and customers using communication devices and on-board computers.

Short-haul and local Transport Truck Drivers operate and drive primarily straight trucks to transport good and materials mainly on local routes and short inter-urban routes. They perform pre-trip, en route, and post-trip inspection and oversee all aspects of vehicle such as condition of equipment, and loading and unloading of cargo. Short-haul and local Transport Truck Drivers also may drive special purpose trucks such as tow trucks, hydro vac trucks, or cement mixing trucks.

Working Conditions:

Working conditions for long-haul Truck Drivers and local Truck Drivers differ to some degree. Local Truck Drivers typically make many deliveries throughout the day. Because they serve local businesses, their hours are mostly dictated by regular business hours.

Long-haul Drivers move goods between cities and across the continent. They often drive throughout the night when traffic is low, for shifts up to, but not exceeding, 14 hours. Schedules may also be flexible. Because long-haul Drivers can spend a significant time away from home, many trucks are equipped with "sleeper" cabs and modern amenities, such as TVs, microwaves and computers.

Truck Drivers spend most of their time driving and sitting in seats that are generally comfortable. However, it is not uncommon for drivers to develop back or neck injuries from sitting for long periods of time or from loading and unloading cargo.

Most Truck Drivers work alone. Some long-haul drivers may drive with a co-worker and rotate shifts.

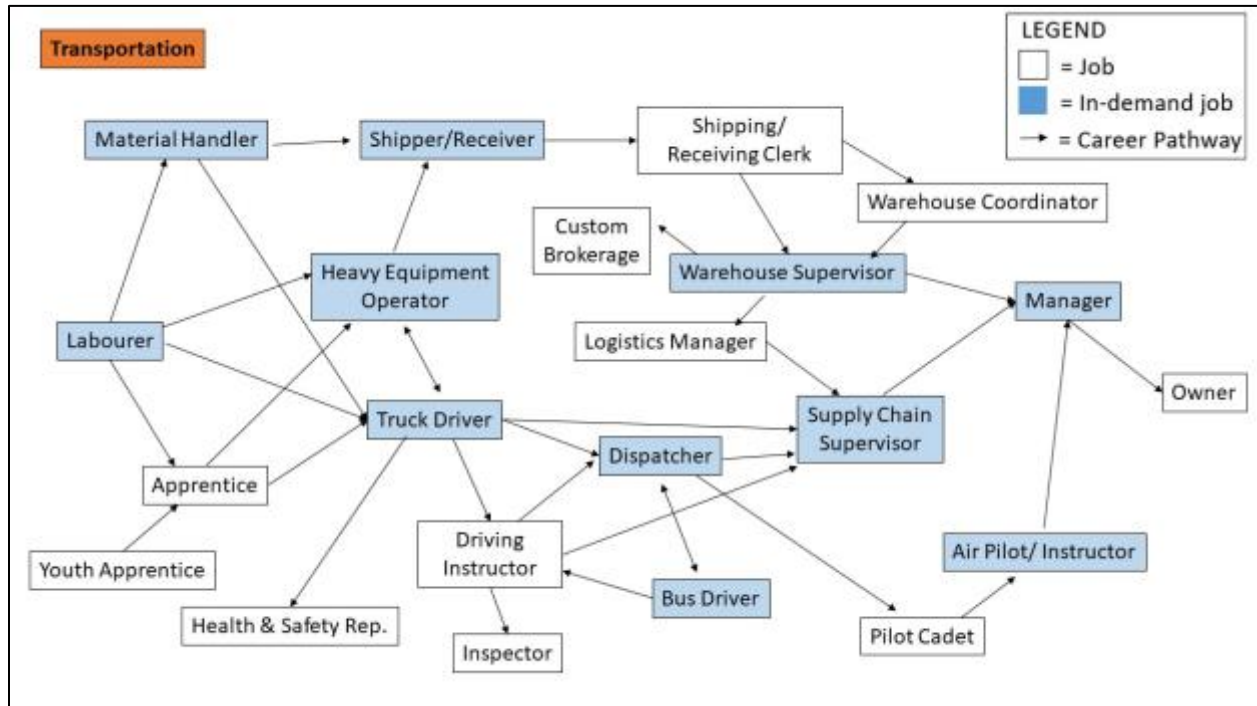
Career Pathways:

Truck Drivers can progress to the control of heavier equipment by upgrading their licenses. Advancement into supervisory or management positions, or into non-driving occupations such as Dispatcher, Safety Officer, or Driving Trainer, is possible with additional training or experience.

Transport Truck Drivers are employed by transportation, manufacturing, distribution and moving companies, and trucking employment service agencies, or they may be self-employed. Below are potential career pathways for Transport Truck Drivers:

- Bulk Goods Truck Driver
- Dump Truck Driver
- Flatbed Truck Driver
- Logging Truck Driver
- Long Haul Truck Driver

- Moving Van Driver
- Shunt Truck Driver
- To Truck Driver
- Transport Driver
- Truck Driver



Education and Training Pathways:

If you're interested in becoming a Transport Truck Driver, you can begin your apprenticeship or attend a local training/education program.

Apprenticeship Details:

Tractor-Trailer Commercial Driver

- Certification: Voluntary (not required to practice this profession in Ontario)
- Red Seal: No
- On-the-job training: 2,000 hours
- In-class training: N/A

Individuals interested in pursuing an apprenticeship pathway, should follow these steps:

- 1) Get hired – by an employer/sponsor/union
- 2) Apply online to register as an apprentice at www.ontario.ca/page/start-apprenticeship

- 3) Sign a training agreement with your employer/sponsor and the Employment Ontario apprenticeship office.
- 4) Become a Member of the Ontario College of Trades Apprentices Class at www.collegeoftrades.ca/membership
- 5) Keep a record of the hours you work
- 6) Achieve the competencies listed in your training standard if required in your trade
- 7) Complete all of the training requirements in your trade and you will receive a Certificate of Apprenticeship (CoA).
- 8) Write the Exam for the Certificate of Qualification if required in your trade

If you are currently in high school and would like to begin an apprenticeship, visit oyap.com for more information about the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program.

Individuals unsure about whether to pursue an apprenticeship or not, can learn more by visiting www.ontario.ca/page/prepare-apprenticeship.

Academy Truck Driving School:

Air Brake "Z" Endorsement

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Valid Ontario Driver's License Class "G" or higher

Academic Credential: Certificate

Professional Certification: Issued by Ontario Safety League

Attendance: In-Person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time

Program Length: 12-16 hours (2 days)

Program Cycle: monthly courses available

Program Cost: \$300

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 2700 Central Avenue, Windsor, N8W 4J5

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.academydrivingschool.ca/air-brake-z-endorsement/4568294297>

AZ Professional Truck Training Program

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Medical, Driver's Abstract, Police Clearance, Grade 12 or equivalent

Academic Credential: Certificate

Professional Certification: No

Attendance: In-Person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time

Program Length: 252 hours

Program Cycle: 8 weeks (monthly start)

Program Cost:

- Program: \$9,900
- Book: \$500

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 2700 Central Avenue, Windsor, N8W 4J5

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.academydrivingschool.ca/class-a/4568294283>

AZ Truck Driving Program

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Medical, Driver's Abstract, Police Clearance, Grade 12 or equivalent

Academic Credential: Certificate

Attendance: In-Person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time

Program Length: 144 hours

Program Cycle: 7 weeks (monthly start)

Program Cost: \$6,999

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 2700 Central Avenue, Windsor, N8W 4J5

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.academydrivingschool.ca/class-a/4568294283>

Tractor-Trailer MELT

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Medical, Driver's Abstract, Police Clearance, Grade 12 or equivalent

Academic Credential: Certificate

Attendance: In-Person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time

Program Length: 124 hours

Program Cycle: 6 weeks (monthly start)

Program Cost:

- Program: \$4,900
- Books: \$200
- Exam: \$600

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 2700 Central Avenue, Windsor, N8W 4J5

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.academydrivingschool.ca/class-a/4568294283>

NorthStar Truck Driving School:

AZ & Flatbed Training Program

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Minimum Grade 10 and Ontario "G" License

Academic Credential: Northstar Diploma/TTSAO Diploma/Smart Driver Diploma

Professional Certification: AZ Accredited Certification

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time (approx. 30 hours/week)

Program Length: 9 weeks

Program Cycle: Start new students every Monday

Program Cost: \$9,225

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 5044 Walker Rd, Windsor, ON N9A 6J3

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.northstartruckdrivingschool.com/courses>

AZ Program

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Minimum Grade 10 and Ontario "G" License

Academic Credential: Northstar Diploma/TTSAO Diploma/Smart Driver Diploma

Professional Certification: AZ Accredited Certification

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time (approx. 30 hours/week)

Program Length: 8 weeks

Program Cycle: Start new students every Monday

Program Cost: \$8,260

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 5044 Walker Rd, Windsor, ON N9A 6J3

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.northstartruckdrivingschool.com/courses>

Tractor-Trailer MELT

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Minimum Grade 10 and Ontario "G" License

Academic Credential: Northstar Diploma/TTSAO Diploma/Smart Driver Diploma

Professional Certification: AZ Accredited Certification

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time (approx. 30 hours/week)

Program Length: 5 weeks

Program Cycle: Start new students every Monday

Program Cost: \$6,260

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 5044 Walker Rd, Windsor, ON N9A 6J3

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.northstartruckdrivingschool.com/courses>

Upgrade (DZ to AZ) Recertification Course (CDL)

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Minimum Grade 10 and Ontario "G" License

Academic Credential: Northstar Diploma/TTSAO Diploma/Smart Driver Diploma

Professional Certification: AZ Accredited Certification

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time (approx. 30 hours/week)

Program Length: 5 weeks

Program Cycle: Start new students every Monday

Program Cost: \$6,260

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 5044 Walker Rd, Windsor, ON N9A 6J3

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://www.northstartruckdrivingschool.com/courses>

[Ontario Truck Driving School:](#)

Air Brake Endorsement

Admission/Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must have an Ontario Class G Driver's License or higher
- Taking this course eliminates the need to do the written and practical air brake testing at Drive Test

Academic Credential: N/A

Professional Certification: Unknown

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time

Program Length: 2 days

Program Cycle: Monthly - Usually begin on Saturday or Sunday

Program Spaces: 15 students

Program Cost: \$295

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 201-310 Hanna Street East, Windsor, N8X 4W6

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://otds.com/air-brake-endorsement/>

Class AZ

Admission/Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be 18 years old and must have Grade 10 English or pass the equivalency test at Ontario Truck Driving School
- Minimum requirement - Ontario Class "G" Driver's license
- Required to have a physical - Have doctor fill out MTO's Ontario medical form
- Purchase a copy of MTO's "Truck Driver Manual" and read it over in preparation for beginner's license test
- \$105 licensing fee to DriveTest Centre prior to writing test
- Obtain a 3-Year driving record and criminal record search (\$75)

Academic Credential: N/A

Professional Certification:

- PTDI (Professional Truck Driving Institute Certification)
- TTSAO (Truck Training Schools Association of Ontario Certification)
- Defensive Driving Certificate
- Log Book Certificate
- Load Securement Certificate
- Smart Driver Certificate

Attendance: In-person

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time and part-time

Program Length: 8 or 5 weeks

Program Cycle: Day, Evening, and Weekend Courses available, Continual start

Program Cost:

- \$7995 + \$400 (Books), or;
- \$7500 + \$350 (Books)

OSAP Eligible: No

Location: 201-310 Hanna Street East, Windsor, N8X 4W6

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://otds.com/class-az/>

[Transport Training Centres of Canada:](#)

Transport Training Program

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Unknown

Academic Credential: Unknown

Professional Certification: Unknown

Attendance: Unknown

Full-time or Part-time: Full-time and Part-time

Program Length: 6 weeks

Program Cycle: Training days tailored around personal schedules

Program Cost: Unknown

OSAP Eligible: Unknown

Location: 6000 Rhodes Drive, Windsor, N8N 2M1

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://ttcc.ca/training/truck/windsor>

“Z” Endorsement

Admission/Eligibility Requirements: Unknown

Academic Credential: Unknown

Professional Certification: Unknown

Attendance: Unknown

Full-time or Part-time: Unknown

Program Length: 2 days

Program Cycle: Unknown

Program Cost: Unknown

OSAP Eligible: Unknown

Location: 6000 Rhodes Drive, Windsor, N8N 2M1

For more information on this program, please visit:

<http://ttcc.ca/training/truck/windsor>

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