

New Zealand Certificate in Commercial Road Transport

(Heavy Vehicle Operator)

Level 3



MITO's training programme will provide you with the skills and knowledge to safely and competently operate heavy rigid vehicles or heavy combination vehicles.

Designed in consultation with industry, this programme goes beyond vehicle licence requirements to enable improved job performance and enhanced employment opportunities – whether you're new to the commercial road transport industry or an existing heavy vehicle driver.

Programme outline

This Level 3 work-based programme is expected to take 15 months to complete.

The training programme includes a mix of practical training and assessment, undertaken in the workplace, and eLearning, allowing you to complete theory elements of the programme at your own pace. You will have access to videos, learning activities and course assessments, which can be easily accessed at any time and from any device – mobile phone, tablet or PC.

Entry requirements

You must be employed full-time in the commercial road transport industry and hold the correct vehicle licence required to enrol in this programme.

2024 programme fee

\$400 (excluding GST). Note this is a fixed fee and is non-refundable.

Some learners may be eligible for the Government's Fees Free scheme (up to two year's free fees) – check your eligibility at feesfree.govt.nz.

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If you're ready to get qualified, enrol now at mito.nz/hvo.

QUALIFICATION OUTCOMES		CREDITS
OUTCOME 1	Comply with the commercial road transport regulatory environment and health and safety obligations as a heavy vehicle operator to ensure the safety of themselves, their vehicle, other road users, and the public.	30
OUTCOME 2	Demonstrate safe and fuel efficient driving skills and expertise, and perform driving manoeuvres and tasks for a heavy rigid vehicle or heavy vehicle combination.	35
OUTCOME 3	Complete comprehensive route planning as a heavy vehicle operator using appropriate navigation technology, ensuring regulatory obligations are met and public safety is protected.	2
OUTCOME 4	Communicate effectively with customers, clients, and colleagues as a heavy vehicle operator.	3
OUTCOME 5	Apply knowledge of heavy vehicle mechanical and electronic principles and systems, such as vehicle technology, types, and combinations, to transport freight and safely carry out essential checks.	10
OUTCOME 6	Apply knowledge of loading, restraint, and unloading principles and procedures to work as a heavy vehicle operator.	10

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