

Job Of The Week

6th March

HGV DRIVER



Salary

The salary of a HGV Driver can range from £19,000 to £36,000


Typical Hours

38-52 hours a week. You could work evenings, weekends and bank holidays



Entry Requirements

You can get into this job through:

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- An Apprenticeship - You could do a Large Goods Vehicle (LGV) Driver C and E level 2 Intermediate Apprenticeship. For entry requirements, you'd usually need some GCSEs, including English and Maths for an Intermediate Apprenticeship
 - Working towards this role - If you're already working for a transport operator, your employer might support you to get your HGV driving license
 - Specialist Training Providers - You'll need to get a professional driving qualification called the Driver Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC). The course will cover driving skills, basic mechanics and how to load items. At the end of the course, you'll need to pass 4 parts of the CPC test that include:
 - A driving theory test
 - Online case studies
 - a test of your practical driving ability
 - a practical demonstration

What You'll do

As a HGV driver, you could:

- plan deliveries and the route you'll take
- check your vehicle is safe and report any issues you find
- help load and unload goods safely
- keep records of the deliveries you make
- regularly check traffic reports and change your route if needed

You'll always need to drive safely and follow the law. You'll need to keep your vehicle tidy and safe to drive.

Working environment

Your working environment may be physically active and you'll travel often



Career Path & Progression

You can often increase your salary by working irregular shifts.

With experience, you could:

- do further training to get an Advisory Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) Certificate to drive hazardous goods like toxic chemicals
- train to become a HGV driving instructor
- become a transport planner or move into management
- become self employed and work for different companies or set up your own transport company

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