

## Classes Now Being Scheduled for Driving Dynamics' New Light-Truck & Trailer Safety Training Course

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Newark, Delaware (PRWEB) January 13, 2016 -- Driving Dynamics Inc. announced today that 2016 classes are now being scheduled for the company's new behind-the-wheel light truck and trailer course. This employer-dedicated course is designed for individuals whose job requirements include hauling a trailer—even if based on the equipment, a commercial driver's license is not required.

Drivers operating vehicles as part of a job task are governed by the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration when any one of the following conditions is met: Weight of vehicle or a combination of vehicle and trailer exceeds 10,001 pounds; Vehicle has nine seats or seatbelts; Hazardous material is being hauled.

"An employee may drive a light truck as part of his or her job which does not typically come under DOT scrutiny, however, once certain conditions are met—such as the addition of a trailer whose combined weight exceeds 10,001 pounds—that organization and its driver would now potentially be governed by the DOT," said Ben Langley director of training at Driving Dynamics.

This course, which can also be applied to straight vehicles over 10,000 pounds, balances classroom learning, teach-by-touch and behind-the-wheel exercises conducted by certified Driving Dynamics instructors. It is designed to enable drivers to:

- Load trailers and secure loads proficiently and safely
- Operate articulated rigs in close quarters and on the open road
- Conduct mandatory inspections
- Describe conditions that trigger a status change to be considered a commercial motor-vehicle driver
- Identify documentation required for commercial motor-vehicle driver
- Adhere to Hours-of-Service regulations as needed
- Understand how to complete a Daily Log sheet
- Recognize the requirements for drug and alcohol testing
- Describe what a DOT auditor will look for during an inspection

"Operating articulated vehicles represent increased risks for drivers and greater regulatory scrutiny that requires specialized handling, documentation, equipment, and safety measures. The DOT safety components included in this course provide essential, proven safety procedures that all drivers should be aware of and able to implement," said Art Liggio, Driving Dynamics' president.

For more information and to schedule training visit: <a href="https://www.mydrivingdynamics.com">https://www.mydrivingdynamics.com</a>. Choose "Schedule a Dedicated Group Course" or call 877-607-7220 ext. 106.



## About Driving Dynamics Inc.

A leading provider of advanced performance driver safety training and fleet risk management services throughout North America, Driving Dynamics' unique and highly effective approach to behind-the-wheel driver education, simulator-based training, online learning and driver risk management has helped numerous fleet-based organizations achieve significant reductions in their crash rates.

Founded in 1987 and headquartered in Newark, Delaware, Driving Dynamics has earned its position as an accomplished provider of impactful driver safety training by continually building and delivering programs based on sound research, proven learning methodologies and expert instruction. We are dedicated to improving drivers' abilities to stay safe by leveraging risk management tools, principle-based learning and applied techniques. For more information about Driving Dynamics visit <a href="http://www.drivingdynamics.com">http://www.drivingdynamics.com</a>.



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