## Timeless HGV Driver Safety Best Practices and Initiatives

With the logistics industry continuously changing, the necessity for strict driver safety standards and continual professional development is perpetually needed. As a leading provider of driver training solutions, HGVC, a driver training company based in the United Kingdom, highlights the need for CPC training course (Comprehensive Professional Competence). This training is a driving force behind road safety and forms a support system for the logistics sector in the United Kingdom & beyond.



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In an industry of paramount economic importance, the safety of

heavy goods vehicle (HGV) drivers is not only a regulatory requirement but also a strategic investment in human resources. The EU-mandated, but UK-continued post-Brexit, certification, known as CPC, mandates all professional lorry, bus, and coach drivers to undergo 35 hours of training every five years. This initiative guarantees that drivers always get the latest road safety regulations, health and safety measures and fuel-efficient driving techniques.

James Clifford, CEO of HGVC says, "Comprehensive training for CPC drivers is not only about compliance, but about establishing a strong safety and responsible culture. The backbone of the logistics industry are our drivers. While legal compliance is a non-negotiable, we are also giving them updated knowledge and skills to improve the safety of our roads and the efficiency of our supply chains. New rules are also applicable from October 2024, which we're trying to include in our training and pass the information to our clients."

HGVC's driver safety commitment goes beyond CPC training. The company has pioneered numerous initiatives that have helped reduce road accidents and ensure the well-being of drivers. Advanced vehicle operation courses, health & well-being programmes developed for long haul travel, and technology used to monitor and improve driver performance are all included.

In addition to the focus on individual driver safety, HGVC advocates for broader industry standards that benefit the entire logistics sector in the UK. This includes collaborations with regulatory bodies to update training curriculum, and partnerships with technology providers to integrate safety-enhancing technologies in transport vehicles.

James Clifford further comments saying, "The logistics industry is not just an important contributor to our economy but is the main channel that connects different businesses and markets together. As a training company we invest in the

safety and professional development of your drivers, and you contribute to a more robust, efficient and reliable supply chain network. This commitment then extends beyond borders and has an impact on logistics practices around the world and elevates the standard of operational excellence."

Such comprehensive training is a testament to HGVC's forward-thinking approach for all players in the supply chain industry. HGVC achieves compliance with current regulations through continuous improvement and advocacy of higher standards and lays the groundwork for future innovations in driver safety and logistics management.

The ever-increasing demand for qualified HGV drivers in the UK and across the globe means that HGVC's key role in setting and raising the bar on the required standards and performance levels for HGV drivers is becoming increasingly important. HGVC continues to be a frontrunner in initiatives such as driver HGV training, which matter to individual drivers as well as broader logistical demands.