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ADR – Driver Exam Information Note

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1. ADR Driver Certification Examinations.

In April 2002, The Health and Safety Authority became the competent authority for administering the examinations for the ADR Driver Training Certificate, required by drivers who transport dangerous goods by road, for all ADR Classes except Class 1 and 7.

For Class 1 (Explosives) and Class 7 (Radioactive) dangerous goods the competent authorities for examinations are the Minister for Justice and Law Reform and the Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland, respectively.

The competent authority details for exams for Classes 1 & 7 are as follows;

Class	Description	Competent Authority	Contact Names	Contact Details
1	Explosive	Department of Justice, Equality & Law Reform	Joe Coates Colm Farrell	<u>Tel. (01)602 8267/ (01) 602 8273.</u> <u>Email:</u> jkcoates@justice.ie ; cwfarrell@justice.ie
7	Radioactive	Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland	Jarlath Duffy	Tel. (01) 269 7766 Email: jduffy@rpii.ie or jogrady@rpii.ie

2. ADR Driver Exam Information for 2007.

How to apply for ADR Driver Training Course

Candidates for an ADR Driver Training Certificate should in the first instance contact an approved training course provider (see section 3) and arrange to attend either a Basic and/or a Tanker Specialization course before applying to sit an examination. The Training Provider upon satisfactory completion of a course will give course attendees a combined exam application/declaration of attendance form.

How to apply for ADR Driver Examination / Exam Charges

The Chartered Institute of Logistics in Ireland was awarded the management contract for the 'ADR Driver Exam Scheme' in April 2007. For further information on applying for exams and exam schedule please follow the link below;



Please access the revised ADR Driver Exam Application Forms by [Clicking here.](#)

Exam Format

Each examination paper consists of 36 multiple-choice questions (English language only) in 3 sections of 12 questions each. Candidates must attain an overall pass-mark of 23 or higher to pass the exam and must not get more than 50% wrong in any section of the exam.

Candidates taking both the Basic and Tanker papers at one sitting are deemed to have failed the whole exam if they do not achieve a passing grade in the Basic paper and will be required to repeat and pass both papers to obtain a driver training certificate which includes Tankers.

Timeframe for sitting Exam after Training

Candidates who have attended an approved course must sit the associated examination **within 12 months of their course**.

A candidate attending a refresher course must sit and pass the associated examinations before the expiry date on their current certificate – otherwise, after that date a candidate for examination must have attended a full initial Basic (3-day) and/or Tanker (2-day) course before being allowed sit the examination again. A candidate may attempt an exam twice only (i.e. one repeat) - after which they must attend the relevant course again before being eligible to take a further exam.

Renewal of Driver Training Certificates

A Driver Training Certificate may be renewed at any time in the final year of the certificate for an additional 5 years extension of validity. It is recommended that candidates attend the refresher course and examination as early as possible in the 12 months prior to the expiry of their current certificate so as to allow adequate time for repeat examinations and courses if necessary.

Telephone queries relating to the ADR Driver Exam Scheme should be made to The Chartered Institute of Logistics in Ireland and can be made from anywhere in the Republic of Ireland for the price of a local call to **Lo-Call: 1890 25 25 99**.

Queries to the Authority on topics other than ADR exams should be made to The Workplace Contact Unit (WCU), e.g. for requests for Information, making workplace complaints or reporting workplace fatal and serious accidents and incidents. The WCU can be contacted through the 10-digit Lo-call number **1890 289 389** which can also be used to access the HSA Publications Section.

3. Approved ADR Driver Training Courses

The bodies listed below have been approved by the Health and Safety Authority to run courses leading to a driver-training certificate for the transport of dangerous goods by road for all Classes of dangerous goods except Class 1 and Class 7. Candidates seeking an ADR Driver Training Course should in the first instance contact any of the approved training providers to obtain details of the Basic and Tanker Specialization courses available. Approved courses are limited to a maximum of 16 candidates. Note that candidates for a ADR driver training certificate must attend an approved course in the Republic of Ireland in order to be allowed sit the associated examinations.

Detailed instructions on how to become an approved training provider are contained in the document "Guidance for Providers of ADR Driver Training Courses" available on from the Health & Safety Authority.

Intending training providers should also consult the Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road Act 1998 (Fees) Regulations 2007 (SI No. 291 of 2007) which includes details of the fees payable by training providers and examination candidates.

Training Provider	Address	Contact Person	Contact Details
Hazchem Training Ltd	Unit G 10, Maynooth Business Campus, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.	Contact person: Mr. Seamus Cleere,	Tel. (01) 629 1800; 086 252 9544; Fax. (01) 629 1822, Email: info@hazchem.ie website: www.hazchem.ie
NorthWest Training Centre	Canal Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	Contact person: Mr. Brian Sweeney	Tel: (074) 916 8634; 087 228 2386; Email: brian@nwtc.ie ; website: www.nwtc.ie
Robin Mulligan & Associates	Lismullen, Navan, Co. Meath.	Contact: Mr. Robin Mulligan	Tel. 046 902 5606/086 257 7002 Fax. 046 902 5681, Email: robin@robinmulligan.ie website: www.robinmulligan.ie
Frank Daly & Associates	32 Main St., Longford	Contact: Mr. Frank Daly,	Tel. 043 40938; 087 230 6972, Fax. 0902 85655, Email:

			dalyf@iol.ie
Chemical Transport Training	24 Grange Park Rd., Raheny, Dublin 5	Contact person: Mr. John Lennon	Tel: (01) 848 0360, Fax: (01) 848 0360, Mobile: 087 247 4047, Email: johnlennon@cttraining.ie