



### **Health and Safety Authority**

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### **ADR - DGSA Information Note**

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#### **1. Courses for Dangerous Goods Safety Advisers**

The following is a list of known DGSA Training Providers of courses leading to a Vocational Training Certificate for Dangerous Goods Safety Advisers for the transport of dangerous goods by road. Requests for inclusion in this list must be accompanied by a course application form or brochure from either a previous course or for a planned course, showing details of the course/venue etc and course provider. The Authority does not approve DGSA courses - see disclaimer on page 1.

Republic of Ireland-based DGSA Course Providers:

<b>Training Provider</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
<b>Advantage Communications</b>	Mespil House, Sussex Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.	Contact: Mr. Roderick Brennan, Tel. (01) 851 0500 / 087 958 1278 / 087 256 6327 Email: <a href="mailto:info@adcom.ie">info@adcom.ie</a>
<b>Clermont Export &amp; Import Services Ltd.</b>	Greenore Port, Co. Louth.	Contact: Mr. Ken Donald, Tel. 042 937 3301/ 937 3355/ 087 255 3284 Fax. 042 937 3498 Email: <a href="mailto:info@clermontservices.com">info@clermontservices.com</a> website: <a href="http://www.clermontservices.com">www.clermontservices.com</a>
<b>Dangerous Goods Advisory Services Ltd.</b>	Cuilbeg, Carraroe, Sligo.	Contact: Mr. Michael O'Hart, Tel. 071 916 0892 / 087 222 1160 Fax. 071 916 0960 Email: <a href="mailto:mohart@eircom.net">mohart@eircom.net</a> website: <a href="http://www.dangerousgoods.ie">www.dangerousgoods.ie</a>
<b>Environmental Health &amp; Safety Ltd</b>	Workspace Business Centre, Michael St., Limerick.	Contact: Ms. Aisling Spollen, Tel. 061 330 294/ 087 286 9441, FAX. 061 330 453, Email: <a href="mailto:aisling.spollen@dgsa.ie">aisling.spollen@dgsa.ie</a> website: <a href="http://www.dgsa.ie">www.dgsa.ie</a>
<b>Export Edge Training</b>	57 Merrion Sq., Dublin 2.	Contact: Mr. Austin Rutledge, Tel. (01) 661 9544, Fax. (01) 661 9577, Email: <a href="mailto:austin@export-edge.com">austin@export- edge.com</a> website: <a href="http://www.export-edge.com">www.export-edge.com</a>
<b>Frank Daly &amp; Associates</b>	32 Main St., Longford	Contact: Mr. Frank Daly, Tel. 043 40938; 087 230 6972, Fax. 0902 85655, Email: <a href="mailto:dalyf@iol.ie">dalyf@iol.ie</a>
<b>Hazchem Training Ltd</b>	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: <a href="mailto:info@hazchem.ie">info@hazchem.ie</a> website: <a href="http://www.hazchem.ie">www.hazchem.ie</a>

<b>Institute of International Trade of Ireland,</b>	28 Merrion Square, Dublin 2.	Contact: Ms. Tara McHugh, Tel. (01) 661 2182, Fax. (01) 661 2315, Email: <a href="mailto:iiti@irishexporters.ie">iiti@irishexporters.ie</a> website: <a href="http://www.iiti.ie">www.iiti.ie</a>
<b>Margaret Fitzgerald &amp; Associates</b>	12 High Street, Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny.	Contact: Ms. Margaret Fitzgerald, Tel. 059 972 4300 / 087 235 8399, Email: <a href="mailto:mgtfitzgerald@eircom.net">mgtfitzgerald@eircom.net</a>
<b>Robin Mulligan &amp; Associates</b>	Lismullen, Navan, Co. Meath.	Contact: Mr. Robin Mulligan, Tel. 046 902 5606/086 257 7002 Fax. 046 902 5681, Email: <a href="mailto:robin@robinmulligan.ie">robin@robinmulligan.ie</a> website: <a href="http://www.robinmulligan.ie">www.robinmulligan.ie</a>
<b>Total Compliance Solutions</b>	33 Spring Place, Gardiners Hill, Cork.	Contact: Mr. Richard Walsh, Tel. 021 450 6947. Email: <a href="mailto:rwalsh@totalcompliance.ie">rwalsh@totalcompliance.ie</a> Website: <a href="http://www.totalcompliance.ie">www.totalcompliance.ie</a>
<b>Translogic</b>	International House, 15/16 Hendrick St., Dublin 7.	Contact: Ms. Anne Barry, Tel. (01) 474 0700 Fax. (01) 474 0721 Email: <a href="mailto:anne.barry@iamair.com">anne.barry@iamair.com</a>
<b>Trident Safety Group</b>	Unit 5 Westpoint Business Park, Ballincollig, Co. Cork.	Tel: 00 353 21 4879326 Fax: 00 353 21 4879327. email: <a href="mailto:sales@tridentsafety.com">sales@tridentsafety.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:hazchem@tridentsafety.com">hazchem@tridentsafety.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:lbuchet@tridentsafety.com">lbuchet@tridentsafety.com</a> ; web: <a href="http://www.tridentsafety.com">www.tridentsafety.com</a>

## UK/Northern Ireland-based DGSA Course Providers

<b>Training Provider</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
<b>Pira International</b>	Randalls Road, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT22 7RU, UK.	Contact: Tel. 0044 1372 802 041 Fax. 0044 1372 802 243. Email: <a href="mailto:dggroup@pira.co.uk">dggroup@pira.co.uk</a> website: <a href="http://www.piranet.com">www.piranet.com</a>
<b>Transport Training Services Ltd.</b>	15 Dundrod Rd., Crumlin, Co. Antrim, BT29 4SS.	Contact: Mr. Harold Calderwood, Ms. Angela Dornan Tel. 048 9082 5653 Fax. 048 9082 5689, Email: <a href="mailto:mail@transport-training.co.uk">mail@transport- training.co.uk</a>

## **2. DGSA Examinations**

**2007 Exams:** DGSA examinations are currently scheduled for

- **23 March 2007**
- **6 July 2007**
- **26 October 2007**

These exams will be based on the **2007 ADR**.

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) was appointed by the Health and Safety Authority as the examination body for **Dangerous Goods Safety Advisers** (DGSA) for the transport of dangerous goods by road as of July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. CILT also provide examinations covering the Rail Mode on behalf of the Minister for Transport.

Queries regarding DGSA examination dates and venues should be made in the first instance to The **Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Ireland, No. 1 Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin 2. Telephone (01) 676 3188 or (01) 676 4290, Fax (01) 676 4099. Email: [info@cilt.ie](mailto:info@cilt.ie) Website: [www.cilt.ie](http://www.cilt.ie)**

DGSA Examinations may be held in Dublin and Cork and other venues depending on demand. The DGSA examination application forms are available from the CILT website. The DGSA examinations are of the 'open-book' type and CILT will provide a list of permitted documents, which may be used by candidates during exams. The fee for the DGSA examination covers 3 examination papers – Core, Mode (Road or Rail) and Class papers. There is a separate fee for an additional mode paper. For details of current fee levels contact CILT.

### **3. DGSA Legislative Requirement**

The Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 288 of 2007) implement Council Directive 95/35/EC of 3 June, 1996, on the appointment and vocational qualifications of safety advisers for the transport of dangerous goods by road, rail, and inland waterways, as amended by council Directive 2000/18/EC

The Regulations prohibit the transport of dangerous goods by road or rail by an undertaking unless it has appointed a safety adviser. In this context 'transport of dangerous goods' includes those who load, transport or unload dangerous goods with some exceptions inclusive of undertakings at the final delivery destination (e.g. supermarkets or petrol stations)

The safety adviser is required to fulfill specified functions including advising the undertaking who appointed him as to health, safety and environmental matters in connection with the transport of dangerous goods and the preparation of necessary reports.

A safety adviser cannot be appointed unless he /she holds a vocational training certificate appropriate to the modes of transport used by the undertaking and to all dangerous goods or one or more of the groups of dangerous goods specified and transported by the undertaking. Mutual recognition of vocational training certificates issued in other member States of the European Community or in Northern Ireland is provided for. The certificate examinations are subject to the approval of the nominated competent authorities that arrange for the issue of the vocational training certificates.

### **4. Supplementary Training for DGSA's:**

A number of the DGSA training providers, listed in section 1 above, supply additional training in the form of one or two -day seminars on the practical aspects of working as a DGSA which will assist persons in meeting their responsibilities as practicing dangerous goods safety advisers. These seminars are intended for persons who have already obtained their DGSA certificates. Interested parties should contact the training providers directly for details of course availability.

## **5. DGSA Services:**

Persons or companies involved in the consignment or transport of dangerous goods who require the services of a Dangerous Goods Safety Adviser (DGSA) should consult the Golden Pages Telephone Directory or contact the DGSA Association of Ireland (see section 15 below) or the DGSA training providers (see section 9 above) who may be in a position to refer them to a qualified DGSA. Persons holding a current DGSA certificate from any member state of the European Community may act for an undertaking in any member state for those Classes and transport modes which their certificate covers. The CILT examinations in Ireland (see section 2) cover the Road and Rail modes of transport.

**The Health and Safety Authority does not publish a list of qualified Dangerous Goods Safety Advisers.**

## **6. DGSA Association of Ireland**

An association was set up in 2003 to provide a focal point and support network for practicing DGSA's and allied professionals. The association is known by the letters DGSAAI standing for the 'Dangerous Goods Safety Advisor's Association of Ireland'. The current officers of the association are Ms. Deborah Byrne (Chairperson), Dr. J.J. Tobin (Honorary Secretary) and Mr. John Clancy (Treasurer).

Contact Details: Tel. Deborah at 353 (0) 86 654 4090 - [chairperson@dgsaai.ie](mailto:chairperson@dgsaai.ie) ; Tel. JJ at 353 (0) 86 152 8158 - [secretary@dgsaai.ie](mailto:secretary@dgsaai.ie) ; Tel. John at 087 283 0807 - [treasurer@dgsaai.ie](mailto:treasurer@dgsaai.ie)

Further information and membership application forms are available from the association website at [www.dgsaai.ie](http://www.dgsaai.ie)

## **7. Approvals/Exemptions**

Safety Advisers and others involved in the transport of dangerous goods should note that approvals or exemptions granted by the Health and Safety Authority which are in addition to those contained in the Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road Regulations will be posted on the HSA website ([www.hsa.ie](http://www.hsa.ie)).