

## AgSkilled 3.0 - Truck Training Program Information

This program is designed for individuals who are required to operate a truck as part of their role.

*The outcome of this course will provide successful participants with a heavy vehicle licence that will allow them to operate a heavy vehicle with an automatic or synchromesh gearbox\**

This course consists of the following Units of Competency:

General Maintenance	Driving
TLIB0002 Carry out vehicle inspection	TLILIC2016 Licence to drive a heavy rigid vehicle
TLIB2008 Carry out inspection of trailers	TLIC3004 Drive heavy rigid vehicle
TLIB2001 Check and assess operational capabilities of equipment	(Driving Units vary depending on licence class)

To participate in this program, individuals will need to have met the eligibility requirements and make an appropriate funding application (<https://raisetraining.com.au/EOIApplication>).

If your funding application is approved, you will be advised by email and provided with access details to the online components of the program, including an enrolment form.

### Online Component

Heavy Vehicle Skillset Quiz	HVCBA Theory Assessment
<p>This online assessment covers the non-driving general maintenance components of the program.</p> <p>Learning material for this component can be accessed via the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://raisetraining.com.au/GuideHVGeneral">https://raisetraining.com.au/GuideHVGeneral</a></p> <p>Online Resources:</p>	<p>This online assessment covers the driving components of the program and are aligned to the DKT a participant is required to complete when obtaining their Learner Logbook.</p> <p>Learning material for this is incorporated in the TfNSW online practice test site and consists of the Guide to HVCBA. And can be accessed via the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://raisetraining.com.au/GuideHVCBA">https://raisetraining.com.au/GuideHVCBA</a></p>
<p><b>Heavy Vehicle Driver Handbook</b></p> <p><a href="https://raisetraining.com.au/DriverHandbook">https://raisetraining.com.au/DriverHandbook</a></p> <p><b>Road User Handbook</b></p> <p><a href="https://raisetraining.com.au/RoadUserHandbook">https://raisetraining.com.au/RoadUserHandbook</a></p> <p><b>Load Restraint Guide</b></p> <p><a href="https://raisetraining.com.au/LoadRestraintGuide">https://raisetraining.com.au/LoadRestraintGuide</a></p>	<p>This course requires you to undergo your heavy vehicle licence training through the HVCBA scheme with a qualified heavy vehicle driving instructor.</p> <p>You will be provided details to contact your local driving instructor and be required to fulfil the TfNSW licensing requirements.</p>

### Practical Component

#### Heavy Vehicle Competency Based Assessment (HVCBA)

HVCBA is the main way to get a heavy vehicle licence in NSW. It allows an accredited Transport for NSW assessor to determine your ability to drive a heavy vehicle, which will be conducted under a wide range of driving conditions, for you to gain a heavy vehicle licence.

For more information on the HVCBA process, go to: <https://raisetraining.com.au/AboutHVCBA>

#### Obtaining Your HV Learner Logbook

It is important that you first obtain a HVCBA Learner Logbook, as your logbook shows your progress in building the skills you need to upgrade to a heavy vehicle licence. You'll need to log your mandatory training and assessment hours to take the final assessment.

#### Licensing Outcome

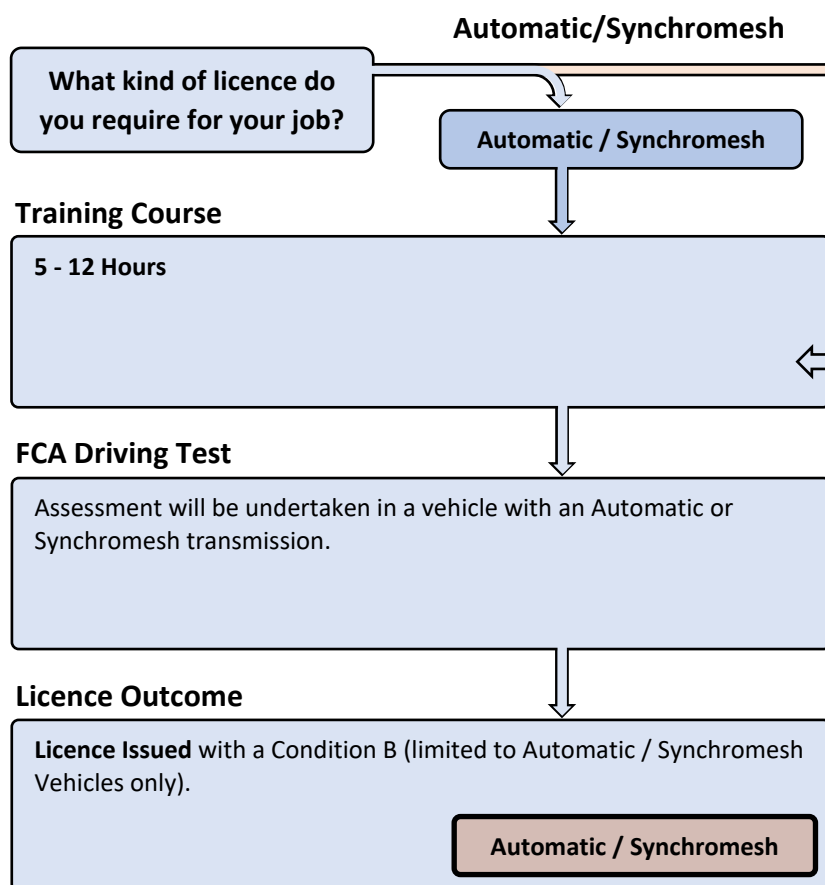
The outcome of this course will provide successful participants with a heavy vehicle licence that will allow them to operate a heavy vehicle with an automatic or synchromesh gearbox.

*\*This funded course does not include the training required to provide an individual with the additional skills required to operate a heavy vehicle with a Road Ranger gearbox. For you to obtain an open Road Ranger licence without a Condition B, you will need to either undergo a separate fee-based course or meet the strict requirements set out below.*

## PRACTICAL TRAINING PATHWAYS

### Licence Outcome Option 1

#### FUNDED TRAINING PROGRAM



Of the two options we recommend that if you don't have a good reason to need to drive a road ranger, then it's better to do the funded program only which leads an automatic/synchromesh licence (condition B licence).

### END OF FUNDED PROGRAM

### Licence Outcome Option 2

#### ADDITIONAL FFS COURSE

#### Road Ranger

#### Non-synchromesh (Crash Box)

You will be required to undergo the funded program in a vehicle with an Automatic / Synchromesh transmission first...

...then complete a **Condition B Removal** course.

A condition B Removal course will often take an additional day, but sometimes longer depending on your skill level.

The course is not covered by the funded program. It can be completed with any driving instructor or provider.

The associated costs will need to be confirmed by you.

#### Condition B Removal Course

#### Non-synchromesh (Crash Box)

## What is a Synchromesh gearbox?

A synchromesh is the same as a manual car. So another way to explain this is that if you do the upgrade in an automatic you will be allowed to drive everything excluding a road ranger.

We would say that a good reason to need the road ranger would be if you have a job lined up that requires it, or if you were going to be driving them on public roads on a regular basis once you finish your training with us. Basically, it's just not a skill that you will maintain unless you keep working on it after you finish the training with us - it takes constant and continued practice.

Below is further information that explains road ranger quite a bit more, so if you choose this option, we just need you to have a read through this document before you go ahead.

**REMEMBER - The Condition B Removal course is at cost to yourself. And will need to be arranged separately with your driving instructor or another provider.**

## Things to know about a road ranger before choosing this option.

1. A road ranger is a complex gearbox that is **difficult** to learn to drive correctly.
2. We mean it... A road ranger is **difficult** to learn to drive correctly.
3. A road ranger is also known as a **crash box**, or **constant-mesh** gearbox.
4. A road ranger is **NOT** the same thing as a manual car. Note that the gearbox in a manual car is also known as a **synchromesh**. If you need to drive a synchromesh, see point 5. A synchromesh may have more than 5 gears, and may even have a splitter in it, but the point is you use the clutch and change gears in the same way as a manual car.
5. In NSW a Condition B on your licence lets you drive anything excluding a road ranger. This means that doing your upgrade in an automatic will also let you drive a synchromesh. In other words, you get the same licence doing your upgrade in an automatic as what you would in a synchromesh.
6. **Buses:** If you are getting your heavy rigid licence to drive busses, then it may not be necessary for you to upgrade in a road ranger as there are very limited buses/coaches with non-synchro transmission.
7. **Jobs:** There are many jobs that do not require a road ranger or unrestricted licence.
8. **Rusty:** Once you learn road ranger, if you do not maintain this skill, we find people tend to become rusty surprisingly quickly. This tends to manifest with crunching, or missing gears entirely. So once you obtain this licence you would ideally want to start driving road rangers regularly to maintain this skill.
9. **Our recommendation:** If you do not have a good reason to need a road ranger licence then it is generally better to do your upgrade in an automatic. A good reason would be a job lined up that requires this type of licence.
10. If you find that you require a road ranger gearbox in the future a condition B removal can be easily arranged through any accredited provider.