

# Driving for better business programme 2010/11

A programme of events to assist employers, drivers and riders to manage the risks associated with driving whilst on company business.



Driving is the most dangerous work activity that most people do. More people are killed or injured in road accidents whilst working than in all other occupational accidents put together. Common causes include: speeding, drink driving, not wearing a seat belt, careless driving, distractions and inexperience.

Employers have clear duties under health and safety laws to manage occupational road risk in the same way as other health and safety risks are managed. We have created a range of events to meet your business needs, at times and locations that are convenient for you. They include:

### Business road risk seminar

This full day seminar is aimed at those who use company vehicles and those who use personal vehicles for business use. Information will be provided on the legal requirements to comply with legislation such as Health and Safety at Work Act and the Corporate Manslaughter Act. The aim of these seminars is to enable those attending to effectively structure and write a road safety policy.

Date	Event	Location	Cost
<b>2010</b>			
27 May	Road risk seminar	Braintree	Free*
21 October	Road risk seminar	Rayleigh	Free*
<b>2011</b>			
31 March	Road risk seminar	Chelmsford	Free*

### Operator seminar

This full day seminar is aimed at those who run fleets of HGV and PSV vehicles. It will include topics such as: Corporate Manslaughter Act, Graduated Fixed Penalties and Immobilisation, Driver CPC Qualification and Eco-driving Solutions. Information will also be provided by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) on relevant legislation and legal, financial, environmental and operational implications.

Date	Event	Location	Cost
<b>2010</b>			
25 February	Operator seminar	Basildon	Free*
6 May	Operator seminar	Chelmsford	Free*
19 August	Operator seminar	Colchester	Free*
4 November	Operator seminar	Stansted	Free*
<b>2011</b>			
3 February	Operator seminar	Southend-on-Sea	Free*

## Young driver/rider workshop

This full day workshop is designed to address the health and safety issues of young drivers and riders, aged 17-25 years, driving or riding on company business. The workshop will consist of a morning theory session which will explore:

- local statistics
- hazard perception and distractions
- emotions, beliefs and attitudes
- factors contributing to accidents
- company responsibility, policies and guidelines

The afternoon will offer the chance for attendees to take part in a practical driving or riding assessment with advanced instructors.

Date	Event	Location	Cost
<b>2010</b>			
17 March	Young driver/rider workshop	Chelmsford	Free*
31 March	Young driver/rider workshop	Basildon	Free*
29 April	Young driver/rider workshop	Rochford	Free*
22 July	Young driver/rider workshop	Braintree	Free*
18 November	Young driver/rider workshop	Harlow	Free*
<b>2011</b>			
17 March	Young driver/rider workshop	Colchester	Free*

\*All of the full day seminars and workshops are available free of charge and are supported by resources. However, we do ask for a £25 deposit which is refundable on attendance for these events.

## Community wheels business days

Essex County Council also offers **free** educational business days, with our Community Wheels vehicle, as a direct way of giving road safety education and advice to your employees.

Run as an in-house company educational event, it can be delivered on-site at your business premises and cover your policies regarding driving vehicles on company business and general road safety messages.



## Workshops

These are two hour long workshops to refresh and assist in planning, writing and implementing guidelines and policies.

Date	Event	Location	Cost
<b>2010</b>			
23 March	Policy writing workshop	Chelmsford	Free*
20 April	Drivers hours and Tachograph refresher workshop	Rayleigh	Free*
22 April	Policy writing workshop	Basildon	Free*
22 June	Driver selection, journey and job planning workshop	Maldon	Free*
24 June	Policy writing workshop	Witham	Free*
21 September	Grey fleet workshop	Chelmsford	Free*
23 September	Drivers hours and Tachograph refresher workshop	Colchester	Free*
23 November	Driver selection, journey and job planning workshop	Brentwood	Free*
25 November	Policy writing workshop	Waltham Abbey	Free*

Date	Event	Location	Cost
<b>2011</b>			
15 February	Grey fleet workshop	Basildon	Free*
17 February	Policy writing workshop	Rayleigh	Free*

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For more information or to book a place on these events or an educational business day, please contact: **Elaine Appleby** on **01245 437004** or **elaine.appleby@essex.gov.uk**

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