

# Illinois Trucking Association

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## **NATMI Driver Trainer Certification**

**Essential Instructional Skills for Professional Driver Trainers Course**

**Joliet, IL ♦ October 21-23, 2025**

**Certification Exam – October 23, 2025**

### **Instructional Skills Course Benefits:**

1. Understand the four-step teaching/learning process.
2. Understand how adults learn so that you can provide the most effective training delivery.
3. Learn how to develop effective lesson plans.
4. Learn the characteristics of a good instructor and how to incorporate them into your own teaching.
5. Learn how to effectively prepare for a presentation.
6. Identify and develop the skills necessary to become a dynamic speaker and effective educator.
7. Teach your own lesson and receive a supportive and constructive evaluation of your presentation.
8. Learn to develop and conduct in-house training programs, as well as effective on-the-job training.
9. Integrate the skills developed in this course with your daily supervision responsibilities.

### **Course Description**

This train-the-trainer course is for professionals responsible for the development and implementation of professional driver training programs. Students learn teaching skills and their practical application. In addition, students will have the opportunity to present their own lesson plans with critique following. The following topics are covered:

- **The Instructional Process** - Phases of the teaching-learning process.
- **Principles of Learning** - Effective training based upon motivation, participation, knowledge of results and reinforcement.
- **How to Prepare Performance Objectives** - Determining desired results for specific learning experiences.
- **Teaching Assignments & Instructor Demonstration** - Teaching topics for class presentation; instructor demonstration of a teaching topic.
- **Evaluation of Training Effectiveness** - How to analyze performance.
- **Lesson Plans** - Components; development; importance.
- **Instructional Techniques** - Selecting and using instructional techniques and aids.
- **The Role of the Trainer** - Tools for efficient administration.
- **Practice Teaching** - Presenting your own lesson & critique.
- **Organization of an Effective Training Program** - Developing the company training program; how to evaluate results.

### **Want to become certified?**

The course above is applicable toward NATMI's nationally recognized, university accredited **Certified Driver Trainer (CDT)** program. Taking this course is the first step toward earning a credential that will help you become a more competent professional, earn industry recognition and further credibility as a training professional.

If you have the job experience – **two years as a professional driver trainer** – you can pay one lump sum that covers all fees for certification and complete the process within a 60-day time frame – or less.

#### **NATMI Accelerated Certification School Format**

<b>Certification Category:</b>	Certified Driver Trainer – CDT
<b>Minimum Experience:</b>	2 years in the training field
<b>On your own prior to course:</b>	N/A
<b>Course requirement:</b>	Essential Instructional Skills
<b>Exam:</b>	Certification examination following the training course
<b>On your own following courses:</b>	Submit certification application and exhibit binder within 60 days of classroom training and exam

***This course has been approved for Continuing Education Units through the Center for Integrated Transportation Safety & Security – University of Denver***

### Registration

Contact Linda Blisset at 217-789-6017  
or  
mail registration and payment to:  
**Illinois Trucking Association**  
**2250 S. Chicago Street, Suite 201**  
**Joliet, IL 60436**  
Email, [linda@iltrucking.org](mailto:linda@iltrucking.org)

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**Joliet, IL 60436**

Name		Last 4 digits of SSN#	
Company or Organization		Title	
Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone		Fax	
E-Mail			

<b>Registration:</b>	<u>Member*</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
Certification Program	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1350

- Certification price above includes course fees, NATMI membership, certification application fee and certification kit.

\*Members of Illinois Trucking Association or NATMI/TCA

**NATMI Membership:** ☐ \$375/year  
(Seminar discounts, professional certifications, mentor program, networking opportunities, newsletters)

**Illinois Trucking Association Membership:**  
☐ Yes! I'd like information on membership sent to the above address.

**Total: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check enclosed / Credit Card: MC ☐ Visa ☐ Amex ☐

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### Course Location:

Illinois Trucking Association  
2250 South Chicago Street  
Suite 201  
Joliet, IL 60436  
(217) 789-6017

### Lodging:

Contact ITA for  
lodging recommendations  
(217) 789-6017

**\*\*Course fees must be received prior to attending course.**

**Seminar registration** begins at 8:00 a.m and the course begins at 8:15 a.m. and ends at 5:00 p.m.

For more information, call 630-654-0884

**Cancellations:** Registration fees for cancellations received 30 days or more prior to a course can be refunded, less a \$50 fee. Cancellations received less than 30 days but more than 7 business days prior can be refunded, less a \$75 fee. No refunds will be provided for cancellations received 7 or fewer business days prior. Full payment can be transferred to future seminars if cancellation was made prior to course. While ITA makes its best attempt to hold all scheduled courses, occasionally cancellation or postponement is necessary. In such cases, ITA cannot be responsible for nonrecoverable prepaid travel expenses or fees incurred by a student. Please check course status with ITA before purchasing airline tickets, etc.