



Certification training

Certified Transport and Distribution Professional

CTDP

IRU Academy

Training for people in road transport and distribution: transport's role in logistics, vehicles and loads, distribution and forwarding, maintenance and drivers, operating costs and charging, safety and fleet performance.

Delivered by Vertex Business, a professional certification training provider.



12 units
A to L



Vehicle, load
and distribution



Cost, safety
and fleet performance



Plan with us
before you enrol

Program details and enrolment

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A complete framework for moving goods by road.



About the training

CTDP brings together what people in the road transport chain need: how transport serves logistics, how a vehicle is chosen, loaded and maintained, how distribution and forwarding are run, what a trip costs and how it is charged, and how fleet safety and performance are measured.

The programme at a glance

12 units in the IRU Academy programme	A–L unit codes from introduction to fleet performance	30 hours IRU's published programme length
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Per IRU Academy's programme page and programme document, accessed 15 October 2026.

How the certificate is awarded



Through IRU Academy institutes

Delivered through IRU Academy Associate Training Institutes.



Assessment

No formal final exam is described; check assessment with the issuer.

OPERATIONAL THINKING

How to analyse a transport decision

01

Work out the cost

What does the trip or vehicle really cost?

02

Check safety

Does the decision protect driver, load and road users?

03

Measure the effect

What changes in fleet performance and customer service?

For people working in the road transport chain, or entering it.



This suits you if you:

- ✓ **Work for a transport or distribution firm**
And want to understand the whole operation, not just your task.
- ✓ **Supervise a fleet or drivers**
And need tools for maintenance, training and performance.
- ✓ **Work in forwarding or clearance**
And want to see how your service links to transport.
- ✓ **Manage transport cost or pricing**
And need clear logic for operating cost and customer charging.



Roles at this level

Illustrative roles that use this knowledge; hiring requirements vary by employer.

- ✓ **Fleet supervisor**
Tracks vehicle readiness and maintenance and assigns them to trips.
- ✓ **Distribution coordinator**
Plans delivery routes and customer time windows.
- ✓ **Freight forwarder**
Arranges the movement of goods and their paperwork between parties.
- ✓ **Transport cost analyst**
Costs each trip and proposes a suitable customer price.

REGISTRATION AND ASSESSMENT

Before you register

Who it is for

IRU describes the programme as aimed at people in the road transport supply chain.

Where it is delivered

IRU Academy awards the certificate through its Associate Training Institutes.

Requirements and assessment

Confirm entry criteria and the assessment method with the issuer before registering.

Programme details on IRU Academy's page [↗](#)

Twelve units in four clusters

The IRU programme has twelve units coded A to L. We group them into four clusters for study.

IRU Academy CTDTP programme

Road transport and vehicles

- A · Introduction to the IRU & the IRU Academy
- B · Road Transport in Logistics
- C · Trucks, Trailers and Loads

Distribution and forwarding

- D · Distribution Operations
- E · Freight Forwarding

Fleet and drivers

- F · Workshop and Maintenance
- G · Vehicle Selection and Replacement
- H · Drivers and Training

Cost, safety and performance

- I · Operating Costs, Finance and Cash Flow
- J · Customer Charging
- K · Health, Safety and Environment
- L · Fleet Performance



How IRU delivers the programme

IRU publishes the programme as 30 hours over five full days, trainer-led with slides, case studies and assignments, through the IRU Academy network of Associate Training Institutes, leading to the international CTDTP IRU Academy Certificate.

Source: IRU Academy's programme page and programme document, accessed 15 October 2026. The four-cluster grouping is this guide's own; unit names are official.

Every unit shows up in a single truck's trip.

Units are studied through one recurring example: a shipment leaving the warehouse for the customer, and the vehicle, driver, cost and safety it needs.

01 Vehicle and load

Road transport's role in logistics, choosing the right truck and trailer, loading it, and when to replace a vehicle.

Applied example A trailer runs at under half capacity on repeat trips.

02 Distribution and operations

Planning distribution operations, freight forwarding, the workshop and maintenance, and driver training.

Applied example Morning deliveries slip because routine maintenance was postponed.

03 Money, safety and performance

Operating costs and cash flow, customer charging, health, safety and environment, and fleet performance indicators.

Applied example A new distribution contract looks profitable until empty runs are counted.

— LEARNING OUTCOMES

What you will be able to do

01 Choose the right vehicle

For the load, route and cost.

02 Organize a distribution run

From loading to delivery.

03 Cost a trip

And turn it into a customer price.

04 Track fleet performance

With safety and efficiency indicators.

Transport is learned through numbers and situations from the road.



Cost calculations

Cost a real trip from fuel, driver and depreciation, then compare it with its price.

Grounds the cost and charging units in reality.



Your fleet file

Record data on vehicles you know: age, maintenance, incidents and use.

Ready material for the maintenance and performance units.



A plan that fits your time

Study format, dates and any accompanying materials are confirmed with the Vertex Business team before enrolment, based on your level and available time.

Every trip at work is study material.

Ask: what did it cost, and was it safe?





STUDY PLAN

A practical plan from unit A to unit L.

01 Start with transport's role

Units A and B set the frame for the rest.

02 Study vehicle and load

Unit C, then G: choosing, loading and replacing.

03 Move to operations

Distribution and forwarding in units D and E.

04 Add maintenance and drivers

Units F and H: readiness and competence.

05 Master the money

Costing and charging in units I and J, with worked figures.

06 Finish with safety and performance

Units K and L, revisiting everything before.

Knowledge

Understanding transport and distribution terms as IRU units use them.

Application

Costing a trip or judging an operating decision in a real fleet.

“What impressed me most was the trainer’s care that the information landed and that everyone had a chance to take part... and pointing out what matters most in the material.”

— CPTD learner about the trainer after a session · translated from Arabic · published on the Vertex site

“An excellent session. I learned important things about the certification and benefited a lot... everything was explained so clearly that I had no questions left.”

— SHRM learner after a live session · translated from Arabic · published on the Vertex site

“This achievement would not have been possible without the support, guidance and training I received... which prepared me for the exam.”

— Learner who earned CPTD · translated from Arabic · public post shown on the Vertex site



About Vertex Business

Vertex Business provides professional certification training in talent development, human resources and project management, alongside a professional diploma in medical research and team training for organizations. Training pairs Arabic explanation that keeps the exam’s English terminology with application to real workplace decisions.

[Company details](#) 



How the certificate is awarded

The certificate is delivered through IRU Academy Associate Training Institutes; registration route and assessment are confirmed before you start.

[Official IRU Academy programme page](#) 

COMPLETION CERTIFICATE AND PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIAL

Training completion requirements and the Vertex Business completion certificate are confirmed in the enrolment details.

The CTPD professional credential itself is awarded by IRU Academy under its own requirements, after you pass its assessment.



Discuss your goal and choose how to study.



Scan with your phone camera

YOUR NEXT STEP

- ✓ Training topics and outcomes
- ✓ A level that fits your experience
- ✓ Available study formats and dates
- ✓ Details and price confirmed before enrolment

Open the program page →

01

Open the program page

Scan the code or tap the link.

02

Discuss your goal

Use the WhatsApp button on the program page.

03

Confirm the details

Study format, dates and price before enrolment.

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