

Driver Trainer News

Electronic Learner Logbook

As outlined in the December edition, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has been developing an electronic logbook mobile application (app) to allow for the electronic capture, storage and submission of learner logbook entries.

Development is nearly complete on TMR's OLD Learner Logbook mobile application (Logbook app) and it is expected to be available from the App Store and Google Play in April 2016.

The benefits of the Logbook app are:

- Supervising drivers do not need to download the Logbook app. Past trips or current trips (using a timer built into the app) will be recorded by the learner driver. The supervising driver will receive an email containing links to approve or reject the trip.
- The logbooks can be submitted for TMR's review electronically; no need to print them out or submit them through Australia Post.
- The data is stored securely by TMR and can be retrieved using an iPhone or tablet, by installing and logging into the Logbook app.

Accredited driver trainers are encouraged to promote the Logbook app to learner drivers. The hardcopy Queensland Learner Logbook is still able to be used.

Further information about the Logbook app can be obtained from the Queensland Government website, in the Help section of the app, or by phoning TMR.

Disability parking



Accredited driver trainers should ensure their clients are aware that Queensland has two disability parking permits that may be seen displayed on vehicles – the Australian Disability Parking Permit and the Red Disability Parking Permit.

Both permits may be used to access off-street parking bays provided for a person with a disability. In addition, the Australian Disability Parking Permit may be used to park for free at any on-street parking in local government metered and regulated parking areas:

- up to 30 minutes—when the time limit shown on a sign is less than this
- for an unlimited time—when the time limit shown on a sign is 30 minutes or more

It is important that all motorists do the right thing, and leave these parking spaces free for those that need them.

The misuse of a parking space or disability parking permit may result in a fine or permit removal.

For further information go to:

<http://www.qld.gov.au/disability/out-and-about/parking-permits/>

Renewing your licence when travelling interstate or overseas

If you are travelling or temporarily residing interstate or overseas, you may renew your Queensland driver licence by mail or online at: www.qld.gov.au

You can do this up to six weeks before your licence expires. However you will not be able to renew your driver licence if:

- Your driver licence has been expired more than 5 years
- Your driver licence is currently cancelled or suspended, or
- You are currently disqualified from holding or getting a driver licence in Australia or any other country.

If you are driving in another jurisdiction, you still have to adhere to the conditions of your Queensland licence.

To find out about specific road rules and licensing requirements that may apply to you when travelling outside of Queensland, contact the transport authority in the jurisdiction that you will be driving.

Q-RIDE

It is well known that Q-Ride is a motorcycle training and assessment program with strong competency based principles set to meet a specific requirement for licensing purposes and, promote safe riding behaviours among motorcycle riders.

Registered Service Providers (RSPs), therefore should provide a professional quality service to their clients by ensuring accredited rider trainers (ARTs) operating under their control, maintain a higher order skills and knowledge base for the delivery of training and assessment.

It is the responsibility of the RSP to regularly monitor and ensure the accredited rider trainer (ART), is fully compliant with the requirements of the Q-RIDE standard. RSPs should also provide guidance and ongoing advice to the ART as to the quality and sufficiency of evidence collected to adequately determine competency.

Transport & Logistics Training Package Update

As you may be aware a number of qualifications in the Transport & Logistics training package were revised in 2015 as part of the process to transition training package products to the new templates.

The Transport and Logistics Industry Skills Council (TLISC) worked with industry stakeholders to review these products and to ensure they continued to meet industry needs. This process involved holding steering committee meetings and making draft material available to a wider audience to comment on, via the Transport & Logistics project update page on the TLISC website. In this way, TLISC was able to provide the opportunity to as many stakeholders as possible to provide feedback.

Many of the training package products required little or no change; however, some qualifications had a number of additional changes in response to stakeholders requesting the opportunity to conduct a more extensive review of the training package products, to ensure they continued to meet current industry practices.

In the Driving Instruction qualifications (car, heavy vehicle, and motorcycle), the key changes include:

1. updates to packaging rules and core units
2. the addition of heavy vehicle industry units to the heavy vehicle driving instruction qualification, and
3. Three new units developed for conducting learner driver training.

The new TLI Training Package was released on the 26th of February 2016.

It should be noted that many of the Qualifications that have been superseded are NOT equivalent to the previous TLI10 qualifications. This means that RTOs are now required to submit a new add to scope application to ASQA to continue to deliver the qualifications.

RTOs should also check any single units of competency that are on scope for delivery as all units within the previous TLI10 training package have also been superseded but many units have remained equivalent.

The listed qualifications set out below are provided as a guide only.

TLI21210 now TLI21216 is not equivalent.

TLI31210 now TLI31216 is not equivalent.

TLI41210 now TLI41216 is not equivalent.

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RTOs will have a period of 12 months to transition from the existing (superseded) qualifications to the new 2016 qualifications.

For further information on these changes and your individual RTO requirements please refer to the TGA website at: (www.training.gov.au) and/or contact ASQA at: (www.asqa.gov.au) or phone 1300 701 801

Department of Education and Training

Training packages are a key feature of Australia's National Vocational Education and Training (VET) system.

Training package qualifications are occupational skills standards against which training delivery and assessment of competency can take place. They are developed through a process of national consultation with industry.

Standards for Training Packages ensure training packages are of high quality and meet the workforce development needs of industry, enterprises and individuals. The Standards apply to the design and development of training packages for endorsement consideration by the Australian Industry and Skills Committee (AISC).

The Standards for Training Packages are supported by the following two policies:

- *Training Package Products Policy* which supports the design of training packages, and
- *Training Package Development and Endorsement Process Policy*, which describes the process for development and endorsement

Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) are encouraged to be familiar with the Standards for Training Packages by visiting:

<https://www.education.gov.au/training-packages>