

# Yard Safety

## Yard Shunter & Banksman



### Yard Shunter

**The Yard Shunter course is for anyone who holds at least a car driving licence and is responsible for shunting laden and unladen trailers on private land.**

Manoeuvring and reversing vehicles on site is a major cause of workplace accidents and can lead to serious and sometimes fatal injuries.

The course teaches drivers to be aware of potential dangers, to know the recommended HSE code of signals and also be able to safely manoeuvre a large vehicle and trailer around the site.

This practical half-day course is carried out at the employer's premises for up to 3 learners at a time.

#### Content:

- Understanding the company's safety procedure in relation to vehicles on site
- Employee's legal duties regarding the Health & Safety at Work Act
- Areas of danger for reversing vehicles on the site
- Understanding the vehicle and trailer controls
- Manoeuvring and reversing movements
- Correct coupling and uncoupling of trailers
- Using the HSE standard code of signals
- Ensure the handover procedure is fully implemented and understood

### Banksman

The Banksman course is for anyone who is responsible for assisting in the manoeuvring, reversing and loading/unloading of vehicles.

Employing a properly trained Banksman reduces the risk of potentially costly accidents and helps the employer comply with health and safety legislation. The course supports safe systems of work to ensure the Banksman and driver are using standard signals that can be easily understood.

This practical half-day course is carried out at the employer's premises for up to 3 learners at a time.

#### Content:

- Understanding the role of the driver and the Banksman in reversing operations
- The potential causes and resulting costs of accidents
- Areas of danger for reversing vehicles on site
- Legal duties (Health & Safety at Work Act)
- Action checklists
- Vehicle manoeuvring activities
- Using the HSE standard code of signals



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