

Machine Operator – Trac-Gopher

Course Aims

The aim of this course is to provide delegates with the skills and underpinning knowledge required to undertake Machine Operator – Trac-Gopher.

Primary Objectives

At the end of the training the delegate will be able to:

- Explain certification/documentation and competence requirements of self and others
- Undertake the necessary pre-start and pre-work machine functional checks
- Describe the hazards/risks specific to operation and appropriate controls
- Describe reporting lines and communications protocols
- Describe terminology and methods used to identify components and the operation of the host machine and/or any applicable relevant attachments
- Describe defect monitoring associated with the operation of the host machine and applicable attachment
- Demonstrate how to successfully move the machine to the on/off tracking point in road mode
- Demonstrate and apply the machine specific on/off tracking procedures
- Demonstrate the safe use of the host machine including travelling and working (forward and reverse directions) to the required standard and specification
- Demonstrate the safe and correct methods of off tracking, shut down, isolate, and secure (including detaching attachments if applicable)
- Demonstrate how to undertake emergency recovery on the machine in the event of an incident occurring

Duration

Initial – 1 -3 Days, 4 Delegates Max

Re-cert – Assessment

Pre-Requisites

Delegates

- Must be a minimum age of 18
- Must hold a valid Sentinel Track Safety endorsed with PTS
- Must meet the medical requirements of Network Rail Standard NR/L2/OHS/00124 Medical Fitness Level 1
- Must meet the requirements of Network Rail Standard NR/L1/OHSD/051 (Drugs & Alcohol)
- Must hold current and valid OTP Core

Post-Training Requirements

Upon successful completion of the course the delegate shall be awarded full competence, workplace support is not a requirement however if requested by the individual, primary sponsors should make suitable arrangements.

Primary sponsors shall make suitable arrangements to provide additional workplace support in line with their own Competence Management System until such a time the individual/primary sponsor identifies that it is no longer a requirement. Periods of workplace support should be recorded, documented and retained for audit purposes.

Should you have any questions/enquiries regarding this course, please fill out the form at the bottom of the Training page on the [Stobart Rail & Civils website](#) and we will endeavour to respond to you as soon as we can.