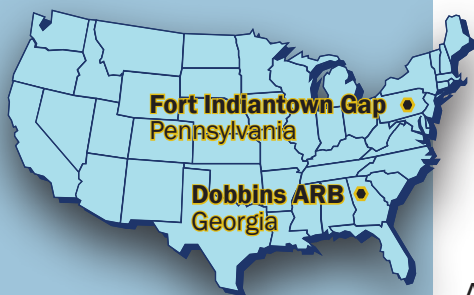




Tractor Trailer Training (3T)

The CDL Advisory Committee, under the auspices of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration in the U.S. Department of Transportation, studies and addresses challenges to the CDL program.

In 2008, the committee recommended the FMCSA work with the DOD to establish a driver training and testing program for military personnel with requirements comparable to those expected of civilian commercial drivers.



The 3T program will markedly improve the skill and knowledge of designated tractor trailer trainers at the unit level through an 80 hour, total force course. The 3T "train the trainer" course is being offered at the Expeditionary Combat Support -Training and Certification Center at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga., and the Regional Equipment Operators Training School at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pa.

WHAT 3T TEACHES

- ◆ Pre-Trip Inspection -- Demonstration and training on the pre-trip inspection. Students learn how to identify potential safety issues before leaving the training area.
- ◆ Shifting Proficiency -- Students needing to improve their shifting proficiency will train on a computer simulator and receive individual instruction on proper shifting techniques.
- ◆ Backing Maneuvers -- Alley dock backing, parallel backing, offset backing and straight-line backing. Students are guided through each skill and given time to practice. Maneuvers are conducted on both driver's side and blind side to prepare students for whatever situation they may encounter.
- ◆ Over-the-Road Driving -- Driving and backing maneuvers in various operating conditions including city, rural and expressway settings. Students train with various types and sizes of trailers, and encounter heavy traffic conditions, developing skills to safely react to hazards as they occur. Instructors ride along during all over-the-road driving to ensure safety.

A Department of Motor Vehicles CDL style practical assessment is given on the final day of training. Students are tested on all elements of training including a pre-trip inspection, backing maneuvers and an over-the-road evaluation.

The 2012 Military CDL Act gives states the option to waive the driving portion of the CDL test for GOV licensed tractor trailer operators.

The new 3T course provides heavy equipment operators with civilian commercial drivers equivalent training.

The 3T course fits the two-week training requirement for the ARC.

3T KEY PLAYERS



HST TRAINERS

Upon completion of the course, students are issued an AF 483 certifying them as a tractor trailer trainer.



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HOW DO I GET INFORMATION ON 3T?

Contact a 3T site scheduler by phone to get enrolled. The 3T program is a total force course, but space is limited. Courses are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information view the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDoONzRsk6Y&list=UUWNNtRicYQ3cqZHyNhQ53Vg>

3T SITE SCHEDULERS

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Sharepoint link
<https://cs3.eis.af.mil/sites/OO-ED-RC-26/default.aspx>

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