



## Resource Road Driver Internal Training – PROGRAM UPDATE

In 2021 the BC Forest Safety Council (BCFSC) collaborated with industry and Subject Matter Experts to update the highly successful Resource Road Driver Training Program (RRDT). Program updates focused on ensuring course content was aligned with current forest industry needs and operational conditions. An important improvement to the program was the development of the Resource Road Driver Internal Trainer program (RRDIT).

This three-day “train-the-trainer” style course supports companies that meet the required pre-requisites, including adequately qualified internal trainer(s) who have the necessary knowledge, skills, and experience, to deliver Resource Road Driver Training using BCFSC materials. The program assists companies in delivering industry leading training to their employees while also developing internal training capacity and expertise within their operation. This capability also provides a cost-effective means to schedule training with increased flexibility as the need arises.

Since its initial development, the RRDIT course has been successfully piloted and refined to test and measure program outcomes to ensure internal trainers are adequately prepared to successfully deliver course materials. The course is designed to be interactive and promotes learning through participation and hands-on practical learning activities, group discussions and presentations.

To ensure consistency, internal training course materials have been developed using the same content as external resource road driver training delivered by BCFSC third-party franchise

trainers. The course is comprehensive, and all topics are covered in full, however the timing of individual lessons may vary based upon training venue limitations and available equipment. A typical course outline would look similar to the following:



### Day 1 Topics:

- Course Introduction & program history.
- Regulations related to light trucks.
- Blind spots.
- Pre-Trip Inspection.
- Emergency repairs – tire change, battery boosting.
- Emergency maneuvers.
- Vehicle dynamics & characteristics of light trucks.
- Driving techniques for safe operation on resource roads.
- Radio use and resource road procedures.
- Driving strategies for deactivated roads (theory).

### Day 2 Topics:

- Vehicle recovery.
- Trailer towing and securement.
- Equipment loading and cargo securement.
- Driving strategies for deactivated roads (practical).

### Day 3 Topics:

- Peer presentations.
- RRST & RRDT teaching tasks & techniques.
- Participant evaluations.
- Course feedback.

If you are interested in learning more about the Resource Road Internal Training Program for your own company needs, please contact the BC Forest Safety Council Transportation Department at [transport.admin@bcforestsafe.org](mailto:transport.admin@bcforestsafe.org) or 250-562-3215. 📞



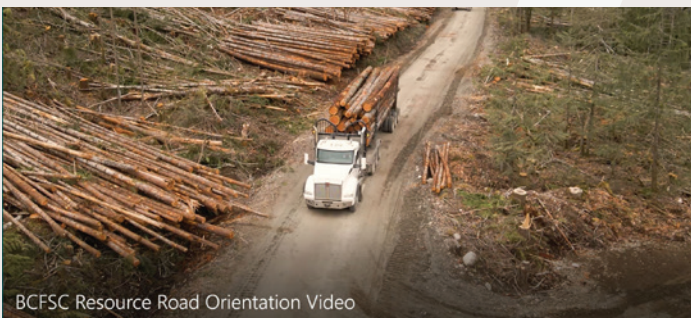
## Resource Road Safety – A Reminder to Stay Safe this Summer and Understand the Risks

The BCFSC resource road safety video was developed as a collective message by forest industry partners to inform the public and recreational resource road users on the complexities of driving on resource roads and how to follow resource road safety rules.

The video showcases the importance of using resource roads safely. With over 620,000 kms of resource roads across BC used by both industry and recreational users, resource road incidents continue to occur causing great concern for both industrial and public users.

Travelling on resource roads can pose various risks and though there may not be active logging in the area, other industrial users such as oil & mining exploration, silviculture and other members of the public may be using these roads. Given this varied use, all resource road users should exercise caution and expect the unexpected.

Watch the 10-minute [Resource Road Safety - Work Here, Play Here, Stay Safe Here](#) video featuring Gord Judson, a 45-year veteran log truck driver, discussing his personal account involving a tragic incident with a recreational road user. His moving and impactful narrative provides invaluable insight into the potential hazards related to driving on resource roads. Judson's narrative transitions from his heart-wrenching experience to highlighting the safety measures required for driving safely on resource roads and provides step-by-step instructions to aid users in reaching their destination safely.



BCFSC Resource Road Orientation Video

Watch the [Resource Road Safety - Work Here, Play Here, Stay Safe Here](#) video on BCFSC's YouTube Channel.

### RESOURCE ROAD SAFETY RESOURCES

[BCFSC Resource Road Safety](#)

[Government of BC – Resource Road Safety](#)

[Overlanding Training Canada](#) 🇨🇦

## Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement Update

### Over-height Regulations, Speed Limiters and In-Cab Warning Devices

Commercial vehicle infrastructure crashes cause damage, stop the movement of people and goods and increase safety risks for everyone on the road. The ministry is implementing measures to further deter these incidents, and to respond with stronger enforcement when they occur.

#### Overview

On December 14, 2023, orders were deposited that bring in new and higher fines for offences related to over-height vehicles, and that implement and support the enforcement of a speed limiter mandate for heavy commercial vehicles, as well as an in-cab warning device mandate for certain commercial vehicles with dump boxes. The resulting amendments have the following in-force dates:

- Effective December 14, 2023 (re: new over-height vehicle regulations, offences and fines):
  - Order No. 718-2023 (a): Commercial Transport Regulations (CTR) amendments
  - Order No. 719-2023 (a): Violation Ticket Administration and Fines Regulation (VTAFR) amendments
- Effective April 5, 2024 (re: speed limiters):
  - Order No. 720-2023 (b): Motor Vehicle Act Regulations (MVAR) amendments
  - Order No. 720-2023 (c): VTAFR amendments
- Effective June 1, 2024 (re: in-cab warning device):
  - Order No. 718-2023 (b): MVAR amendments
  - Order No. 719-2023 (b): VTAFR amendments

The orders may be viewed in the appendices to this bulletin, or on the [BC Laws website](#). These enhanced safety measures are in addition to the Highway Infrastructure Crash Progressive

Enforcement Framework is detailed in [NSC Compliance Circular 05-2023](#).

Read the full [CVSE Bulletin on Over-height Regulations, Speed Limiters and in-cab Warning Devices](#). 🇨🇦