

BULLETIN

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DATE: April 27, 2016
TO: All Personnel
FROM: James Gaboury, Battalion Chief, Training Division
SUBJECT: Trailer Towing Certification

Due to an increase in the number of trailers that SDFD now owns, the Training Division has recognized a need to provide a certification process for those that are required to tow one of our Class C trailers. This Trailer certification is specifically for those that hold a Class B or C license and applicable for the trailers weighing less than 10,000 lbs.

For those that have a Class A license, you will be grandfathered into this certification and it will be reflected in your TargetSolutions profile. Because you will be certified, you can also certify others. You will receive an email with instructions on the certification process.

A Train the Trainer class was given to some that currently have a trailer assigned to their station or division. These individuals can now begin to certify others that have a need or an assignment that requires towing.

If you are on the MOD team and will be towing the MOD trailer, coordinate getting certified through Captain Becker. If you will be towing the Hazmat trailer, your contacts for certification are FF Adam Krohn (45A), FF Charles Lacey (45B), and FF Rodney Allen (45C). If you will be towing the Fire Safety trailer contact FF Nikolaos Angel (4A). For any Logistics trailer contact FF Tim Okey. If you will need to tow the Training trailer or the MCI trailer contact the Driver Training Officer.

This certification process is the same as our other task books. Once you are certified, you can certify others. You do not have to complete Engineer Prep in order to get certified. You do not have to be an Engineer or Captain to be the Trainer. Once you are certified, you can tow any of our trailers, as long as you have the appropriate license (i.e. Class A for a Class A trailer).

The Task Book is located on TargetSolutions. To access from your home page, click on the Training link, Driver Training tab, and then the Task Book tab. There is a folder titled "Trailer Towing Certification". In that folder, you will find the Task Book and other reference material. Once your Task Book is complete, with all signatures, forward it to the Driver Training Officer for processing.

There will be a grace period in effect. **After June 30, 2017 at 1700 hours** you cannot tow a trailer unless you have a Trailer Certification on file with the Driver Training Officer.

Questions may be directed to the Driver Training Officer, Captain Robert McAllister at rmcallister@sandiego.gov, or 619-692-4981.