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### Entry Level Driver Training and Onboarding

### This webcast will cover ...

- · A regulatory overview
- Best practices in compliance
- A case study in implementation
- · Question & Answer

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### **Entry Level Driver** Training & Onboarding What the Regulations Require









### **Driver Training Requirements**

- General
  - §385.5: Adequate safety management controls (systems, policies, programs, practices, and procedures used by a motor carrier to ensure compliance)
  - §390.3(e)(2): Every driver and employee shall be instructed regarding, and shall comply with, all applicable regulations



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### **Driver Training Requirements**

- Specific:
  - §391.11(b)(3): ...can, by reason of experience, training, or both, safely operate...
  - §393.1: Every motor carrier and its employees must be knowledgeable of and comply with...
  - §396.1: Every motor carrier, its officers, drivers...must be knowledgeable of and comply with the rules of this part.
  - Entry-level driver training (ELDT)
  - Hazardous materials training



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### **ELDT Current Requirements**

- Entry-level driver:
  - A CDL driver hired with less than one year of experience operating a vehicle requiring a CDL
- Entry-level driver must be trained on four topics:
  - Driver qualification
  - Hours of service
  - Driver wellness
  - Whistleblower protections
- No minimum time requirements
- Upon completion of training, driver is to be given a certificate of training (see §380.513 for details)



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### **ELDT Current Requirements**

- If hiring an entry-level driver, the carrier must:
  - Get a copy of the certificate if driver has had the training
  - Provide the driver with the training and issue certificate
  - Place copy of certificate in driver's file
- Requirement found in Subpart E to Part 380



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### **ELDT Future Requirements**

- Will require training in specific areas for all new Class A and B drivers and drivers getting certain endorsements
- Training program must include:
  - Theory training (classroom): 31 topics
  - Range training: 7 topics/skills
  - On-the-road training: 12 topics/skills
- Driver must pass assessments (tests on theory and skills)



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### **ELDT Future Requirements**

- Will require all training entities (carriers and schools) to be listed on the "Training Provider Registry" (TPR)
- To be in TPR, entity must meet requirements on:
  - Curriculum
  - Facilities
  - Equipment
  - Instructors
- · Must also meet state and local requirements
- Each training facility must fill out online application and be provided a TPR number



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### **ELDT Future Requirements**

- As of February 7, 2020, only drivers that complete a training program at an entity on the TPR will be allowed to take CDL tests
- Carriers will no long be responsible for verifying that an entry-level driver has had the entry-level training
  - · Having CDL will be proof that training was completed
- Requirements found in Subpart F and G of Part 380 and Appendixes A to E to Part 380



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### Hazardous Materials

- All HM employees must be trained within before working unsupervised or 90 days, and then every three years or when "the job" changes
- Training must include:
  - General awareness training
  - Function-specific training
  - Safety training
  - Security awareness training
  - In-depth security training, if...
  - Mode-specific HM training
- Requirements found in §172.704 and §177.816



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## Best Practices in Entry Level Driver Training & Onboarding



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### The Case for Training

- The bottom line properly trained drivers lead to fewer losses including fewer:
  - Accidents
- Image issues
- Freight claims
- Fines/penalties
- Injuries
- Vehicle downtime
- Customer complaints
- And...
  - Increased productivity Improved customer satisfaction
- Better morale
- Lower insurance costs
- Lower turnover
- Better retention results









### Identifying the Need

- · Government regulations (FMCSA, OSHA, EPA, IRS, Homeland Security, USDA, FDA, etc.)
- · Company policies
- Metrics
  - Safety
  - · Fuel economy
  - · Customer service
- Employee surveys, exit interviews, discipline and social media
- · New employee orientation







### **Training Delivery Options**

- Classroom
- Individual
- · Web-based training
- · On-board computer
- Newsletter
- Safety/operational meetings
- DVD, CD, recorded message



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### Who Is to Be Trained?

- Know the individual learning type
  - Hands-on
  - Visual
  - Auditory
- Try to use all three for standardized or group training



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### **Elements of Effective Training**

- Assess current state (trainee knowledge, job responsibilities, job hazards, policies, standards)
- · Set the budget
- Staff skilled trainers and select/develop engaging training materials
- Determine students' learning style and adapt to the student
- Training events emphasize consistency, focus on basics, help student "relate", are accessible, create differentiation
- Test for knowledge



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### **Barriers to Effective Training**

- No support from top management
- Trying to do too many things
- Poor execution
- · No tracking of results
- · Lack of training resources
  - · Capital and Time
  - Staffing
  - Facilities



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### Purpose of Onboarding

- Train driver on policies, procedures, and practices used to comply with the regulations
- Create a positive experience/connection
- Set the right tone
- Review DQ file and "fill in any blanks"
- Ensure the new hire is right for the job serves as ongoing evaluation



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### Initial Training/Orientation

• Cost = \$8,000-\$15,000









### Drug and Alcohol Administrative Safety Orientation Payroll Cell Phones Safety Belts R/R Grade Crossing Smoking Road Rage Following Distance Speed Leaving an Out Avoiding Rollover/Jackknife

What Should Be Covered?

- Smoking
   Probationary
  Period
   Seniority
   Safety Meeting
  Attendance

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# Accident Procedure - Accidents and Injury Reporting - Communications - Working with law enforcement - Cab Cle antiness - Cab

## The Fleet Perspective: Coborn's, Inc.



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### About Coborn's

- Established in 1921 in Sauk Rapids, MN
- Headquarters in St. Cloud, MN
- Employee Owned





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### What We Do

### 55 Grocery Stores

- Coborn's
- Cash Wise
- Marketplace Foods
- Save A Lot
- 34 Convenience Stores
- Topps Dry Cleaning
- Central Bakery
- Coborn's Delivers











### Where we are











### Fleet Overview

- 72 Drivers
- 30 Class 8 Trucks
- 75 Trailers
- Slip Seat Operation
- 3.5 Million Miles Annually, and growing
- Drivers paid by the Hour





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### "Safety First, Service Always"

**Our Pillars:** Each are Key ingredients to our training program

- 1) Safety
- 2) Customer Service
- 3) Cost Efficiency
- 4) Being The Best Place to Work











### The PRE-Orientation

We want to control the controllable, and get folks off to a good start whenever possible. For us, that means...

- Starting a new hire as close to the end of the month as we can
   Save on out of pocket insurance costs before ours kick in
- Starting people at the beginning of a week, and making sure we're allocating full time hours right off the bat so the first paycheck looks decent.
- Have their space and gear ready for them
  - Mailbox, hat, safety vest, straps, organizer



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### Orientation Days 1 and 2

These days have a Classroom or Office feel, guided by our New Driver Orientation Checklist

- HR orientation/Administrative items like uniforms and program sign ups
- Power Industrial equipment certification
- Shop tours and equipment training
- OBC training and credentialing
- Meetings with Dispatch, Supervisors and Lead Drivers
- Lunch with a Supervisor



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### Orientation Checklist

Priority	What	Who	In Progress	Done
Day 1	Driver's File	Safety/Training		
Day 1	FMCSR book, Log Book Assignment	Safety/Training		
Day 1	Video Based safety/reg. Training	Safety/Training		
Day 1	Fuel Pump Access to Shop Supervisor	Shop Supervisor		
Day 1	Route Training Schedule (ride along)	Safety/Training/Ops Lead		
Day 2	OBC Introduction	PM Lead		
Day 1	Shop Tour/Reefer Intro	Shop Supervisor		
Day 1	Building Tours	Safety/Training		
Day 1	Yard Experience	Yard Lead		
Day 1	Intranet Training	Admin		
Day 2	Lift Gate training	Safety/Training		
Day 2	Drug & Alcohol Policy	Safety/Training		
Day 2	FSMA Training	Safety/Training		









### Hiring Process Guide

- 21. Meet with the Logistics Supervisor and the Logistics Operations Lead to plan which driver trainers will be used and which routes the new driver will be trained on.
- 22.Direct the Administrative Assistant to enter the new driver's employee number in PeopleNet after it is received.
- 23. Print new driver evaluation forms for driver trainers.
- 24. Review evaluation forms and get information from driver trainers as the evaluation forms are returned.
- 25. Upon completion of training, meet with the Logistics Supervisor and the Logistics Operations Lead to determine whether more training is required or if the driver is qualified to drive solo.
- 26. Once the driver is driving solo, scan the new driver evaluation forms and save them on the shared file in a folder that you create for the driver under Operations/Distribution/Safety-Training/New Driver Training.



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### Route Training with Lead Drivers

- We plan for two weeks of ride along training so drivers see our more challenging obstacles while being supported by a mentor
- Driver Evaluation and Feedback

Skill Assessment Evaluation Form	Evaluation Da		Date	
X = Not observed: 1 = Coable to perform task: 2 = Needs improvement: 3 = Proficient	July	15	201	
Pre-Trip Vehicle Inspection			_	
Opens hood-checks components i.e.; oil, antifreeze, washer fluid, etc.				
Does a walk around inspection vehicle i.e.; checks lights, tires, etc.				
In cab air brake check performed				
Visually inspects counting; conducts tag test				
Properly adjusts mirrors before pulling out				
Comments				
Skill Assessment Evaluation Form/scare 2		Evaluation Date		
		July 18 2018		



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### **Glossary of Terms**

- Items that are easily taken for granted by veteran staff
- Given to each driver as a reference











### **Ongoing Training**

- Monthly scorecard and vehicle operations discussions
  - Fuel economy and speed are usually high the first couple of months on the job as people adjust to new equipment
- Technology is an ongoing process for the first couple of months
  - Dispatch Software not a "need to have" right off the bat. Focus on Safety and Compliance.
    - Logging your inspections and breaks correctly (manual duty status changes)
- Quarterly video based training and safety meetings



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### Failures to Launch from Training

We really haven't experienced any of these during the program

- People do pretty well when they're supervised and learning
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week after they're on their own is when we tend
  - Overconfidence in abilities and not Getting Out to Look (Safety)
  - Cutting corners during deliveries and making errors (Customer Service)
  - Over RMP, Long Idle numbers start going in the wrong direction (Cost Efficiency)
  - Availability suddenly changes, and they can't work certain days (Best Place to Work)



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### **Dealing with Failures**

We don't have a true probationary period for new hires.

When we begin to feel like we could have issues with a new hire, we proceed as follows:

- Verbally counsel and document
- · Written counseling and document
- Performance improvement plan, to include possible reentry into the training program
- · Final Counseling with the possibility of Termination

We usually don't get past the 3<sup>rd</sup> step, as folks will choose to opt out and move on







### **Current Experience**

We're going through an issue with a new hire right now

- · No red flags during training
- Driver was qualified with solid work history
- Minor delivery issues coupled with a minor damage incident
  - · This driver has reentered the training program
  - · 2 possible outcomes, both of which are better than where we
    - This driver might opt out; Nobody likes to be put in remedial training
    - This driver might learn and improve, which is the desired outcome



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### Question & Answer Session













### More Questions?



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