

# Career Pathway



## Your Route to the Driver's Seat

Some people may have driving as their career goal, but there are many paths (and other great career options) that can lead you to the driver's seat.

There are many places to start in the industry – in the warehouse, the yard, on the road, in the office and in the shop. Each of these places are important within the industry and there are many rewarding career opportunities.

This pathway presents just a few of the occupations available, these occupations can lead to positions of increased responsibility within the same area, allow for transition to other areas of the industry, and help to set the path for a driving career.

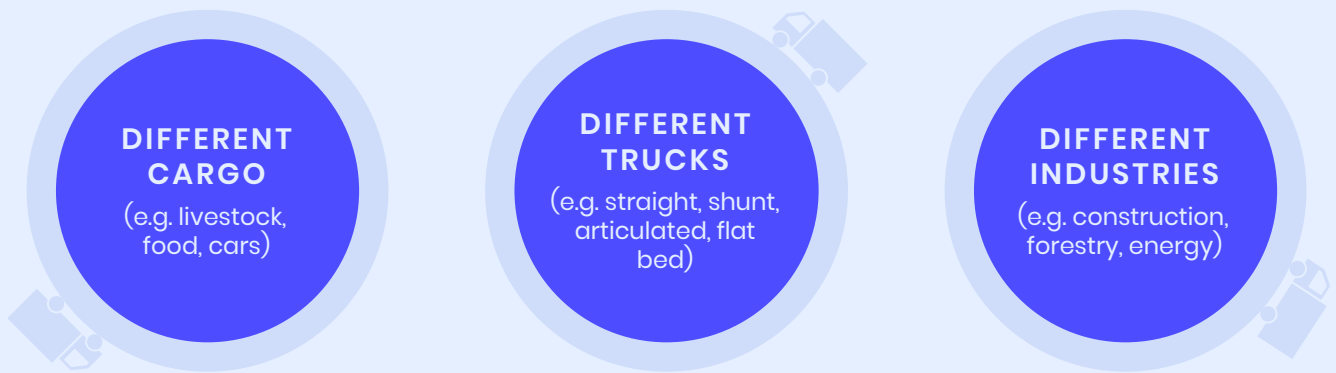
## Where You Could Work

|  WAREHOUSE  |  YARD   |  ROAD  |  OFFICE   |  SHOP  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inventory Clerk</li><li>• Material Handler</li><li>• Fork-Lift Operator</li><li>• Shipper/Receiver</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yard Labourer</li><li>• Trailer Inspector</li><li>• Boom Truck Driver</li><li>• Shunt Truck Driver</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bus Driver (Licensure depending upon regular or school bus)</li><li>• Straight Truck Driver (Class 3 or DZ license)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Customer Service Agent</li><li>• Dispatcher</li><li>• Route Planner</li><li>• Freight Specialist</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shop Labourer</li><li>• Tire Specialist</li><li>• Parts Specialist</li><li>• Service Technician / Red Seal Mechanic</li></ul> |

## Learn More About the Industry

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|  <p>Talk to drivers</p>   |  <p>Go on ride-alongs</p>        |  <p>Research training options</p>                |
|  <p>Talk to employers</p> |  <p>Find a mentor</p>            |  <p>Talk to provincial trucking associations</p> |
|  |  <p>Research funding options</p> |   |

## Consider the Possibilities



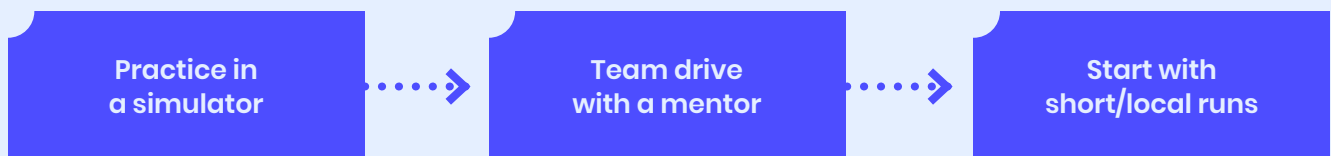
## Take the Steps to Become a Driver

In all pathways that lead to driving, the individual should seek out entry-level training, will have to attain their Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and ideally, will enroll in a finishing school program.



## Build Your Driving Skills

A driver isn't ready to hit the road immediately after finishing school; to be a great driver, he/she should keep practicing their skills, seek the support of a mentor and when possible, share the cab with experienced and safety-conscious drivers.



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