

4WD - Four Wheel Drive Refresher One Day Course - Non Accredited

Program

This 4WD course is a one day re-validation for experienced drivers who have attended training previously. It has been designed with the professional driver in mind, and has a very strong focus on safety. It is conducted over one day with some pre-course work. Prior to the training, you will be asked to demonstrate your knowledge by completing a 4WD theory quiz. On the day of your training the group will meet, review the quiz answers, prepare the vehicles and introduce the day's activities. The training is largely a practical learning experience. The aim is to confirm your ability to competently operate a 4WD vehicle in a range of off-road conditions whilst optimising safety. Normally, two instructors deliver the program to a maximum of eight participants, who share the driving of two 4WD vehicles in off-road conditions only. Please bring your lunch, water and any refreshments you might need. Prerequisites: Previous 4WD training and current manual drivers licence.

Aims: By the end of the course you will be able to:

- Plan and prepare a 4WD for a work related journey in the field
- Describe the differences between various vehicle types and their drive-trains
- Explain the safety compromises of 4WD vehicles and how to compensate
- Use the various mechanical features of a 4WD such as "low-range" in the field
- Make a low risk water-crossing (subject to conditions)
- Recover a vehicle using a recovery strap (snatch-strap)

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- Introduction & RPL
- Review Quiz - Close knowledge gaps
- Journey Planning
- Practical - Pre-Start Checks
- Practical - Using High Range
- Practical - Using Low Range
- Practical - Steep Ascents & Descents
- Practical - Stall Recovery
- Practical - Water Crossing (subject to availability)
- Practical - Vehicle Recovery (Snatch Strap)

Competency

This is not a nationally recognised training course as defined in the Australian Qualifications Framework. However, this program is closely linked to the learning outcomes as specified in the following nationally accredited training packages: FPICOT2234A – Operate 4X4 vehicle, FPIFGM3208A – Perform complex 4X4 operations, RIIVEH305A – Operate and maintain a four wheel drive vehicle.

