

Vehicles for Hire (VFH) Professional Driver Training



St. James – Assiniboia Continuing Education provides training for those seeking a Taxi Driver's Licence, Limousine Driver's Licence or Personal Transportation Provider (PTP)(Rideshare) Driver Registration.

**St. James – Assiniboia Continuing Education
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Winnipeg, MB R2Y 0H4
204-832-9637**

You must use the main entrance between 8:00AM & 3:30PM.

After 3:30PM please enter through the east side entrance.

Our office is located on the 2nd floor, east side of the building. Follow the signs to Continuing Education

Park on the street at all times

VFH Professional Driver Training Program

Payment can be made by credit card, or debt. Tuition of \$190 is payable when you register. This fee includes theory plus one examination. If you need to retake the examination, a fee of \$35 will be charged. You may attempt the exam twice. The Program must be successfully completed within a six-month period.

Accessibility Transportation Training

Training is through the Independent Living Resource Centre. The training fee is \$131.25, and payment must be made at the time of registration. Training is conducted at 100-167 Lombard Ave. Applicants can contact ILRC at 204-947-0194. You can also apply online at www.ilrc.mb.ca **All drivers will be required to provide the training certificate the City of Winnipeg, Vehicles for Hire or your PTP dispatcher**

Manitoba Class 5 Drivers Licence

A Manitoba Class 5 Driver's licence and a commercial driver's abstract from Manitoba Public Insurance will be required.

**Please note commercial driver's abstracts from Manitoba Public Insurance are only valid for a maximum of 90 days from the date they are issued. For more information contact MPI 204-985-1100

Manitoba Child Abuse Registry Check

Applications can be completed at 777 Portage Avenue. The application fee is \$20. Contact Child and Family Services 204-945- 6967. You can also apply online at http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/childfam/child_abuse_registry.html

Please note Child Abuse Registry Checks are only valid for a maximum of 90 days from the date they are issued and may take 4-8 weeks to process.

Criminal Record Check Certificate with Vulnerable Sector Search

Criminal Record Checks from the Winnipeg Police Service can only be completed online now. Winnipeg Police Service Online Criminal Record Check Link: <https://www.winnipeg.ca/police/services/online-record-checks> Drivers who live outside city limits must request their CRC at their local RCMP detachment. Fee is approximately \$60. If fingerprints are needed it may take longer.

**Please note Criminal Record Checks are only valid for a maximum of 90 days from the date they are issued and may take 4-8 weeks to process. **

Legally Entitled to Work in Canada

You must provide a valid permanent resident card, Canadian passport or work/student permit or birth certificate. You will be required to provide The City of Winnipeg, Vehicles for Hire or your PTP dispatcher with one of these documents before being issued a Taxi/ Limousine driver's licence or PTP registration.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: I have an expired Taxi Driver's Licence. Do I have to take the course again?

A: Yes. If you had a Taxi Driver's Licence that has been expired for more than three years, you will be required to take the VFH Professional Driver Training Program again. The tuition fee is \$190. The required passing mark for the VFH Professional Driver Training Program is 80%.

Q: I am a Personal Transportation Provider (PTP)(rideshare) driver. Do I have to take this course in order to drive for a PTP dispatcher (rideshare company) in Winnipeg?

A: Yes, if you are driving for a PTP dispatcher (rideshare company) in Winnipeg, PTP drivers are required to take this course.

Q: I am a limousine driver. Do I have to take this course in order to drive for a limousine dispatcher in Winnipeg?

A: Yes, if you are driving for a limousine dispatcher in Winnipeg, limousine drivers are required to take this course.

Q: What if I register for the course and I am not able to attend? Can I get a refund?

A: You can get a refund if you notify St. James- Assiniboia Continuing Education at least FIVE working days prior to the start date of the course.

Q: Can I miss classes for work or other reasons?

A: No. You must attend 100% of the classes before you can write your examination.

Q: How long do I have to apply for my Taxi/Limousine Driver's Licence/ PTP registration with my dispatcher after completing the course?

A: You have 1 year from the completion date of the course to apply for your Taxi/Limousine Driver's Licence/ PTP registration.

Q: When does my taxi or limousine driver's licence expire?

A: ANNUALLY, usually at the same time as your Manitoba (MPI) driver's licence expires.

Q: When does my PTP Driver's registration expire?

A: ANNUALLY, usually at the date you originally registered with the PTP dispatcher or another date that is given by your dispatcher in alignment with the VFH By-law.