

## Professional Bus Driver Training Programme

To become a Professional Bus Driver with Bus Éireann you need a D Licence. If you do not have a D Licence, you can apply to join our **Driver Training Programme** if you have a valid driving licence Category B or C (for a minimum of 2 years) with no endorsements.

You will also require:

1. A valid D licence Learner Permit
2. A valid CPC Bus Case Study sheet

The chart below outlines the steps which must be completed prior to joining the programme.



**Theory Test:** To obtain your D learner permit, you will firstly need to sit your theory test. For information on how to book your theory test, click [here](#).

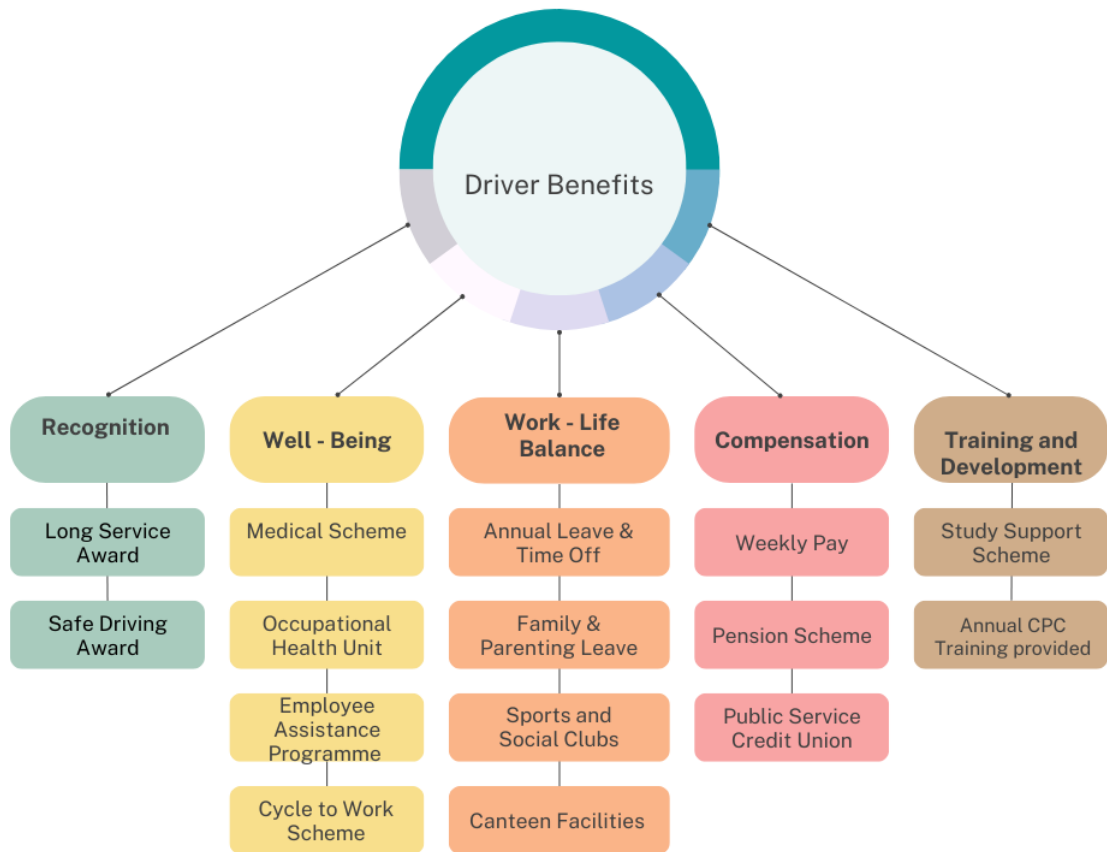
**Learner Permit:** Once you have completed your theory test, you will then be able to apply for your Category D Driving Learners Permit. For information on applying for your learner permit, click [here](#).

**CPC Case Study:** Once you have your learner permit obtained you can then complete your CPC Bus Case Study. For information on applying for your CPC, click [here](#).

Once you have each step completed, you should confirm your progress and forward the relevant documents to [recruitment@buseireann.ie](mailto:recruitment@buseireann.ie)

Following completion of Steps 1 to 4 a pre-employment medical is required (please see attached for more information). All Pre-employment medicals are held in the CIE Occupational Health Unit, Connolly Station, Harbourmaster Place, D01 V6V6.

Please see our driver benefits below:



## Occupational Health Criteria for Road Passenger Driver Recruitment

Pre-Employment Medical Criteria Version 1 May 2021

<p><b>Alcohol &amp; Drugs:</b> Drug testing on day of appointment. There must be no evidence of alcohol or drug misuse or dependency.</p> <p>Random Alcohol and Drugs testing will take place during employment.</p>	<p><b>Diabetes:</b> No Diabetes controlled with Insulin or oral hypoglycaemic medication, unless able to comply with blood glucose testing requirements and no loss of hypoglycaemic awareness.</p>	<p><b>Medication:</b> Not experiencing side effects of medication or taking sedative medication/regular analgesia.</p>
<p><b>Eyesight:</b> Ensure eyesight meets the group 2 medical fitness standard for acuity and fields.</p> <p>Glasses prescription details will also be required.</p> <p>Field testing is by confrontation at time of examination, if abnormal then binocular esterman required at time of consultation, not undertaken by OH.</p>	<p><b>Heart:</b> If history of ischaemic heart disease/MI/CCF/arrhythmia: Cardiology reports indicating treatment/control/ satisfactory ejection fraction if applicable at time of clinical appointment.</p> <p>BMI &lt; 40.</p> <p>Blood pressure must be within licencing standard.</p>	<p><b>No Medical Condition:</b> Causing a sudden risk of incapacity e.g., ICDs, syncope, epilepsy, Meniere’s disease, recurring vertigo.</p> <p>That would affect safe operation of a vehicle such that the condition requires a permanent alteration to the controls of the vehicle.</p> <p>Causing enduring fatigue.</p> <p>Causing cognitive impairment e.g. dementia.</p>
<p><b>Other:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No medical contraindication to the holding of a group 2 licence.</li> <li>• Does not have sleep apnoea or if present evidence of satisfactory control by official reports/sleep studies available at time of consultation.</li> <li>• Able to discriminate speech at normal conversation: hearing screening is undertaken at appointment.</li> <li>• No treatment for epilepsy and no seizures or anticonvulsant use within past 10 years.</li> <li>• No progressive neurological condition: neurology reports to be provided at time of appointment if attending a neurologist or have a neurological diagnosis.</li> <li>• No chronic back complaint resulting in sickness absence in previous 2 years.</li> <li>• No significant mental health complaint. Must have period of stability of condition, on minimum effective dose of medication, psychiatry reports must be provided.</li> <li>• No active GI or GU complaint requiring sudden access to toilet facilities.</li> </ul>		