



A supermarket filled with customers looking at empty shelves – a worst-case scenario for any business. Professional freight drivers ensure that the merchandise makes its way along the domestic and international transport routes to reach consumers, allowing us to lead our lives the way we are used to. The drivers are the silent heroes of the logistics supply chain.

Professional freight driver m/f

Job description:

Being your own boss with your own truck, or joining a larger enterprise – self-employment is one of the options open to professional drivers. Furthermore, they may be deployed to cover short distances in the Hamburg area, or on long hauls that may even take them across borders. Being away from home for an entire week is no rare occurrence and must be accepted as part of the job.

During the 3-year programme, trainees learn how to drive heavy goods vehicles and obtain the required C and CE class licences. A particular emphasis is placed on gaining a sound understanding of road safety and ensuring the roadworthiness of both the vehicle and the cargo. Therefore, the training focuses on driving as well as acquiring technical knowledge and loading expertise. Reading, processing and understanding shipping documents, and effective route planning are equally important skills for well-timed freight delivery.

Requirements:

Applicants to the training programme for professional freight drivers should have successfully completed at least basic or intermediate secondary education. The minimum age is 17 years.

Companies are seeking applicants with technical expertise and a genuine interest in freight vehicles, who enjoy interacting with other people and have good organisational skills, are able to work well under stress and act autonomously.

Remuneration:

Trainees are paid by a graded scale according to their year of training. During the first year of professional freight driver's training, the remuneration usually amounts to approx. EUR 550 per month. This varies from one company to another and also depends on applicable collective wage agreements.

The job description and line of work sound interesting? Why not apply for vocational training at one of 500 freight forwarding companies in the Hamburg Metropolitan Region! More information on the programme is provided at www.logistik-lernen.hamburg.