

VIRGINIA TCS-“INTERMEDIATE WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL” TRAINING

Advanced Training in the principles of temporary work zone traffic control.

This course is recognized as ATSSA’s TCS course

DESCRIPTION:

All projects from the simplest maintenance job to a multi-million dollar reconstruction project require traffic control expertise to make the project as safe as possible for the motorist and workers. The Traffic Control Supervisor on the project needs to be trained in the latest standards, practices and procedures to accomplish this goal.

The VA-Specific TCS 2-day course is designed to train those who will be actively involved in designing or supervising temporary traffic control in Virginia work zones. **This course is a stand-alone course. Completion of the VA TCT course is not required.** Students are taught concepts, techniques and practices in the installation and maintenance of traffic control devices, specific to the Commonwealth of Virginia, legal aspects of temporary traffic control, installation and removal procedures, flagging procedures, and other considerations such as pedestrians, nighttime work, and urban areas. Several workshops included in this course are designed to provide hands on experience in designing temporary traffic control set ups for various real life situations and recognizing, analyzing and correcting deficiencies. These workshops also afford the opportunity for students to learn to work together as a team and to present solutions to the class.

The instructors in this course bring years of practical experience in traffic control to the classroom. They present this 2-day class using a state-of-the-art PowerPoint presentation covering material from the latest edition of the Virginia Work Area Protection Manual and the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*. Each student receives a student notebook, a copy of Part 6 of the MUTCD, and a copy of the **Virginia Work Area Protection Manual**. Instructors will spend time with each workshop group providing direction and advice to the groups as they work on their assignments. The students will leave this course with knowledge of how to prepare and implement temporary traffic control plans in the field to make the project as safe as possible for their fellow workers and the motorists and pedestrians going through the project.

Students are required to complete a written examination and will receive a certificate of completion.

VIRGINIA TCS CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Pass the VA TCS final examinations with a minimum score of 80%
 - **NOTE: The VA TCT course is not required.**
- Have two years (4000 hours) experience in temporary traffic control
- Provide two references who can verify your experience
- Be approved by the ATSSA Certification Board

NOTE: To be a FIT in VA, only the VA TCS and the FIT courses are required.