



SAFE LOADING & UNLOADING TRAINING COURSE



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ABOUT THE COURSE

Loading, transportation, and unloading of plant machinery are vital logistical activities across many industries including powered access and construction. However, analysis of accident data reveals these activities are among the leading causes of accidents and injuries. The course examines how these accidents occur and critically, how to prevent them, to ensure safe and effective good practice.

The course incorporates highly interactive theory training with a test, followed by practical training and a test of candidates' hands-on skills.

QUALIFICATION

Upon passing the theory and practical tests, candidates receive an IPAF certificate. Those who hold a valid Powered Access Licence (PAL Card) will have LOAD or LOAD+ added to their licence - accessed via the IPAF ePAL app.





WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE?

Anyone who will be loading or unloading heavy plant machinery including MEWPs, dumpers, excavators, telehandlers etc. Candidates must hold a current PAL Card or operator licence.

HOW LONG IS THE COURSE?

One to two days for vehicles up to and including 7,500kg. One to three days for vehicles over 7,500kg.

YOU WILL LEARN

- To safely load, unload, and secure plant machinery onto a suitable vehicle using appropriate equipment ready for transportation on a public highway
- What the legal requirements are and how to work in accordance to these
- To identify associated hazards and apply effective control measures to prevent accidents

CHOOSE FROM TWO PRACTICAL MODULES

Tailor your practical training to the vehicle weight you need to use:

LOAD

(for vehicles up to and including 7,500kg)

LOAD+

(for vehicles over 7,500kg)

For the **LOAD** practical training and test, candidates will learn to load, secure, and unload a minimum of one plant machine, with a winch being optional.

For the LOAD+ practical training and test, candidates will learn how to load and unload a minimum of two plant machines. This includes how to ensure load distribution does not exceed axle weight limits and looks at when adjustment to the load might be needed. A winch is mandatory.

























'The course includes a full range of vehicles and trailers as well as machines from multiple machine categories to ensure candidates from all sectors of the industry find attending greatly beneficial.'

Martin Wraith, Rental+ Scheme Manager, IPAF



'The Safe Loading & Unloading
Training Course has a fresh look
and feel with interaction and
candidate engagement at the heart
of the learning experience.'

Paul Roddis, Training Manager, IPAF

'As a company director responsible for a fleet of access equipment, ensuring safety during the loading and unloading of MEWPs is a top priority. We fully endorse the introduction of Load+ and are eager to see the safety benefits it will bring to our industry.'

Enda Geoghegan, Managing Director, Lift Hire Ireland Ltd & IPAF Instructor

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