



## Personal one-to-one training for the Minibus Driver Awareness Scheme Qualification

MiDAS, the Minibus Driver Awareness Scheme, is a nationally recognised standard for the assessment and training of minibus drivers. The scheme is organised by the Community Transport Association (CTA UK) and recognised by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).

Our experienced team of Driving Training / Assessors train hundreds of individuals a year to the MiDAS standard.

BCT has over 20 years' experience of providing minibus training and over 30 years operating a fleet of minibuses.

We run training courses on a regular basis. We recognise, however, that the training dates available may not always be convenient. We also appreciate that some individuals would prefer one to one training rather than classroom based training. To address this need we offer the nationally-recognised MiDAS qualification on a one-to-one basis.

Courses can be provided at out the BCT Training Centre or at your premises if preferred.

One-to-one training is different to our other courses as it is **specific** to the needs of the driver and your organisation.

By enabling you to choose the training date you are able to fit the training around other working and voluntary commitments.



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## Who can undertake the course?

- Must be at least 21 years old and under 70
- Hold a full, current, clean driving license
- Have passed their car driving test two years previously
- Hold a category D1 entitlement on their driving licence (may not always be necessary)
- Be able to undertake a simple eyesight check

## What are the Benefits?

- Enhanced passenger safety and improved passenger comfort
- Potential savings in insurance and running costs
- A single recognisable certificate to ensure high standards of driving
- Nationally recognised standard
- Community Transport Association appointed training officers

## What does the course consist of?

### Module One – Standard Certificate (Compulsory)

- Training in the skills required to drive a minibus
- A thorough knowledge of the legal responsibilities of a minibus driver and duty of care
- Department for Transport codes of practice in safe carriage of passengers
- Health and Safety at work for Drivers
- Manoeuvring of vehicles and passenger comfort
- Defensive Driving techniques

At the end of this session, candidates sit a written test paper, consisting of 20 questions, the answers to which will be contained in the training session, and in the minibus drivers handbook provided to each candidate. Candidates must answer a minimum of 18 questions correctly, before they proceed to the driving assessment, and may only re-sit the examination once.

### The Driving Assessment

There is also a 90 minute on-the-road driving assessment to ascertain practical driving skills. The Trainer/Assessor will identify issues that need to be addressed and encourage the delegate to improve their driving skills. This includes:

- A demonstration drive to show the standard required
- The opportunity to familiarise yourself with the vehicle
- An assessment of your driving skill and competence

### Module Two – Accessible Certificate (Optional)

This module is for those carrying wheelchair users

- Safe use of ramps and tail lifts
- Wheelchair and passenger restraint equipment
- Department for Transport codes of practice on safe carriage of passengers in wheelchairs
- Good practice on passenger assistance
- Information on disability, carrying children and professional etiquette



At the end of this session, candidates sit a further written exam paper, consisting of ten questions, of which eight must be answered correctly. Drivers must not, under any circumstances, carry disabled passengers, or operate any accessible equipment in BCT vehicles, unless they have completed this training module.

## MiDAS Certificate

On successful completion of the training and driving assessment, drivers are presented with a nationally recognised MiDAS certificate. Drivers are also issued with a photo-ID card. A MiDAS certificate is valid for four years.

### Costs

#### Monday to Friday:

One candidate ~ £290.00

Two candidates ~ £390.00

#### Saturday:

One candidate ~ £375.00

Two candidates ~ £475.00



Costs include comprehensive Drivers Handbook, MiDAS Certificate, Photo-ID Card, copy of the Highway Code, High Visibility jacket, relevant Department for Transport leaflets, and free use of a BCT vehicle for driving assessment (if required).

The above costings are based on the assumption that the course will be delivered in the Bristol area. Our trainers can travel further afield to conduct the training; please contact us if you'd like further information.

Please call our Training Team on 0117 902 0159 to discuss availability of training dates.

### Bookings

Please complete the Booking Form below, send along with your payment.

Payment is required **before the training commences**. Should your organisation use Purchase Orders please arrange for an order to be emailed so we can show the number on the invoice to ensure prompt payment.

Payment options are BACS, Credit/Debit Card or cheque, please contact us if you require any of these details before we issue the invoice.

Thank you



## 1-2-1 MiDAS Training Booking Form

Please contact us to discuss your preferred training date **before** submitting this form

Training Date	
Course delegate(s)	
Organisation	
Address for correspondence	
Telephone	
Email	
Course location:	<input type="checkbox"/> BCT premises
Purchase Order No	
Accessible Module	
Vehicle No additional charge	Do you require the use of a BCT vehicle for the driving assessment ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
How did you hear of our 1-2-1 training?	

Signed:	Date:
Name & Job Title:	
I confirm that I have the authority of the above named organisation (if any) to place this order on their behalf. Where this booking is made for an individual, I agree to pay the cost for the made.	

Please send the completed booking form to BCT, email [bctoffice@hctgroup.org](mailto:bctoffice@hctgroup.org)  
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