Never cycle on the inside of a lorry

Information and training for cyclists and lorry drivers

Exchanging Places

Cycle-lorry/bus danger awareness campaign

Approximately half of all cyclists killed in London involve collision with large lorries, even though these vehicles make up just 5% of London traffic. Most of these fatalities happen at junctions, for example as the lorry turns left, trapping the cyclist on the inside where the driver may not be able to see him - the "blind spot". Buses too are disproportionately involved in cyclist collisions, although these tend to involve serious injuries rather than fatalities.



Our campaign Exchanging Places is aimed both at cyclists and lorry/bus drivers. We want to get cyclists into the cab of a lorry, and lorry drivers onto bikes, so that each gets a better view of the other's perspective.



The black mat area in the photo above, to the left and front of the lorry, shows where the driver's blind spots are - don't go there!

Latest News

Cycling and scooting school scoops sustainable transport awards

Hammersmith and Fulham launches strategy that aims to start safe cycling revolution

Free accredited road safety course for lorry van and bus drivers

Essential repair works close Hammersmith Bridge

Cyclists and lorry drivers swap saddles and seats in road safety campaign

New date for closed road 10k run in Fulham

Hammersmith Bridge closed for essential repair work

Youth Council hears how young people should get involved in 20mph consultation

Make travel plans now to avoid RideLondon road closures

Hammersmith Flyover repair works coming to an end





Exchanging Places events for cyclists

We set up regular roadside events where cyclists are invited to visit a lorry cab and talk to the driver and find out about the issues of visibility and correct positioning, blind spots, mirrors. Meanwhile a professional mechanic offers a free Dr Bike check-up and service on your bike, and police can provide free security marking service for your bike. We usually have free maps and puncture kits available too!

Council road safety officers will be offering advice and information on cycle safety. There will also be:

- · free cycle safety checks
- free security coding.

Dates and locations of future events across London are listed on the Metropolitan Police website

Government advice to cyclists

Free cycle training for children and adults.

TfL cycling page

Bus & lorry/van drivers

Free driver Certificate of Professional Competence training

Our one-day (7 hours) Safer Urban Driving course is now Driver CPC certified, and is offered free of charge (apart from £8.75 document upload fee payable on booking, and £50 in the event of non-attendance) to all professional LGV and bus drivers who drive in Hammersmith and Fulham and/or our partner boroughs (Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster).

The course is also open to van drivers who are required to have this training (eg for working on TfL contracts) and is completely free of charge since the document upload fee does not apply. However the £50 fee will apply in the event of non-attendance.

The day consists of a theory module in the classroom and a practical module out on bikes led by an experienced urban cycle instructor.

This is the first accredited course in the UK to include practical on-road cycle training for drivers and will count for 7 of the 35 hours Driver CPC that all professional lorry and bus drivers need to complete every five years.

Check how many of your essential 35 CPC hours you have already completed



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2015/16 driver CPC course dates, now including one Saturday per month!

October 6, 9, 11, 15, 16, 20, 22, 31

November 14, 17

December 10, 12

January 5, 13, 21, 23

February 9, 17, 25, 27

March 8, 16, 19, 24

We envisage offering 4 courses per month for the rest of 2016, subject to demand and funding. Dates to be confirmed.

These courses will take place at our depot in Fulham from 8am to 4pm including lunch. Full details will be given at time of booking.

Courses are open to all LGV and bus drivers working in London, and van drivers working under TfL contracts where this training is mandatory.

Phone 020 8753 3344 with your credit/debit card ready to make your booking. Or email stp@lbhf.gov.uk if you need further details.

All h&f lorry drivers (eg refuse collectors) have completed this course.

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