

Accredited Course Induction

	General	
1.	Welcome	Welcome to HRD Integrated Services training. HRD Integrated Services is the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) delivering your training. We want you to have a positive and satisfying learning experience so we will assist you with all aspects of your training. We encourage you to monitor www.hrdi.com.au for VET, industry, or career path information relevant to your training.
a.	About your induction	This induction provides an overview of some of the important facets of your training and your relationship with HRD during the training program. You must read this information thoroughly. It will be followed-up with a short face—to—face review session. If there is an online learning component associated with your training, the explanation below in Online learning: HRD learning module introductory sections on page 3.
b.	Accredited courses	The course you're enrolling in is accredited training and assessment aligned to a national unit of competency. If you are assessed as competent in all units of competency in this course, you will receive a nationally recognised qualification or statement of attainment.

	The VET system		
2.	An overview of VET	Australia's Vocational Education and Training (VET) system awards skill-based qualifications; you leave RTO training work ready to apply your skills and gain experience.	
		The <u>iVET</u> website provides a comprehensive explanation of the VET system and how it works. HRD encourages you to fill any information gaps you may have either by researching the <u>iVET</u> site or by speaking with a trainer–assessor.	
3.	National recognition	HRD Integrated Services recognises and accepts Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Qualifications and Statements of Attainment issued by other RTOs.	
		If you have completed a relevant unit of competency at another training provider, and if you present the original copy (or a verified copy), HRD can make credit transfer arrangements.	
		There is no charge for national recognition or credit transfer.	

	Work Health and Safety	
4.	WHS and the learning environment	HRD Integrated Services undertakes to comply with laws, regulations and standards relevant to the operation of training premises, including WHS/OHS and fire safety regulations. The Rail Academy–Newport (RAN) is HRD's primary training venue in Victoria. If your training is being conducted at the RAN you'll be inducted into its WHS requirements. Otherwise, you'll be inducted into the safety and security requirements of the training location. If undertaking off-site visits, observe all site and HRD WHS requirements.

	Your enrolment		
5.	Enrolment	Enrolling is the first stage of your training program. The enrolment form asks for a range of personal information that is required as part of HRD's reporting obligations to the vocational education and training system.	
		Please complete enrolment documents fully and carefully; inaccurate information may affect issuing certificates later on.	
		If you're undertaking accredited training, you must have a Unique Student Identifier (USI). If you don't have a USI, you'll need to apply for one. HRD can help you apply if necessary.	
		HRD is required to confirm your identity. A copy of your driver's licence or other photographic proof of identity may be taken on the day of your first class.	
a.	Enrolment, administration and records	HRD Integrated Services maintains a system for recording enrolments, attendance and completion details, assessment information (including RPL), results and qualifications issued. In the event that HRD Integrated Services ceases operations, electronic copies of your results	
	anu records	for accredited training will be passed to the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA).	

		Your enrolment
a.	Withdrawing	Withdrawal of enrolment
	enrolment or changing employers	You may be withdrawn from this course if you are: unable to meet the conditions of your enrolment or your scheduled assessment commitments at the request of your employer (if your training is employer-sponsored) or
		for other reasons described in the HRD–Learner progress policy. HRD and your employer require that you meet your assessment commitments by the scheduled dates. You are also required to complete your training and assessment by the finish date stated on your training plan.
		Changing employers
		Contact HRD immediately if you change employers. You need the support of your employer to enrol/re-enrol in rail signalling training or assessment.
b.	Withdrawing	Withdrawal of enrolment
	enrolment	You may be withdrawn from a short course if you are unable to meet the conditions of your enrolment, or your training and assessment commitments, or for other reasons described in the <i>HRD–Learner progress policy</i> .
		HRD and your employer require that you meet your assessment commitments by the scheduled dates and that you complete training and assessment by the nominated finish date.
		Failure to meet these commitments can lead to withdrawal from the course.
C.	Enrolment interview	Learners may be required to undertake an enrolment interview to confirm their eligibility for funding and/or to discuss: RPL/RCC language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) issues.
		LLN
		Learners enrolling in the program may be required to undertake an LLN activity to confirm that their language, literacy and numeracy skills are at a standard that will not be a barrier to undertaking the course.
		If you are already employed by an Authorised Rail Operator and have work experience, an interview and, in some instances an LLN review, may not be required.
d.	Fees and charges	Unless otherwise agreed, your course fees will be met by your employer. Note that:
		 your employer receives access to your individual results to monitor performance
		 when a certificate or statement of attainment is issued, your employer will receive a copy; if you request a reissued testamur, a \$50 administrative fee applies.
		If you are paying for this course yourself, course fees must be paid on or before the first day of attendance.
		Refunds
		Once payment is made and enrolment in a module is complete, refunds will be made only in extreme circumstances. No refund will be made once you have started a learning module.
6.	Your	You must inform HRD if you:
	circumstances	 change your personal details (eg address, phone number, etc) during or immediately after training
		 have worked within the last 8 hours prior to attending training/assessment
		 have an accident or incident whilst in a HRD training session.
7.	Qualification/ certification	Once you have met the specified requirements of your course and successfully completed all prescribed assessments you will be issued with a Statement of Attainment or a Certificate for nationally recognised training.
		There may be administrative requirements or pre-requisites (for example, providing evidence of a trade qualification or a first aid certificate) that you need to meet before a Certificate can be issued.

Training and assessment		
8.	Course delivery	Accredited training and assessment
a.	Accredited courses	HRD will give you access to a current copy of the accredited course curriculum/endorsed Training Package qualification and/or unit(s) of competency.
		HRD will also ensure that training and assessment occur according to the requirements of the accredited course/endorsed Training Package.

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	Access to maintenance instructions (MIs)
	If required by your course, you must have access to MIs or other appropriate work documents.
	Interruption to training or assessment
	In the event that the course is interrupted by circumstances directly under HRD's control, HRD will make arrangements with you and your employer to reschedule training.
	HRD won't be responsible for events outside its immediate control that interrupt training or assessment. This includes if your work commitments interfere with you being able to attend training or assessment. If this occurs, HRD will do its best to reschedule a class in a reasonable timeframe for you.
b. Online learning	Online learning
	Some components of your course, including introductions to training modules, may be accessed through the HRD online learning portal.
	You'll be provided a login to access learning resources via the HRD Online Learning Portal.
	It's important that you complete the online component within the allocated timeframe. Support is available if you need it by contacting admin@hrdi.com.au .
9. Assessment	Assessment of recognised training will align to the unit(s) of competency on which the training is based.
	On completion of each assessment task, HRD will provide feedback on your progress together with your assessment result.
	If you're having difficulty meeting course requirements, discuss your situation with your trainer–assessor as soon as possible so that you're not disadvantaged.
10. RPL and RCC	HRD Integrated Services policy is that an individual's learning, knowledge and skills can be recognised regardless of how or where these skills are acquired and provided they are relevant to your training.
	Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Recognition of Current Competency (RCC) are available to eligible learners, if appropriate.

	Policies and procedures	
11. HRD Policies (view relevant policies at www.hrdi.com.au) a. Introduction – access and equity		HRD Integrated Services endeavours to provide fair and equitable access for all clients to the services we offer. In keeping with this aim, there are policies and procedures that guide RTO operations. The policies, procedures and other documents that relate to your learning experience are made available on the HRD website. The resources of HRD are made available to enrolled learners on an equal basis. It's expected that all learners will respect the right of equal access of all others to the learning environment.
b.	Behaviour and misconduct	 HRD's aim is to provide a quality learning experience for learners and for each person to have an equal opportunity to learn in a supportive environment. In your interactions with others, it's expected that you will: treat other learners and staff with respect and in a way that doesn't compromise their health, safety, privacy and welfare abide by HRD and RAN WHS and welfare policies and procedures comply with all lawful and reasonable directions given by HRD staff while involved in a HRD-controlled or -sponsored activity abstain from bullying, harassing, unfairly or unlawfully discriminating against others, engaging in inappropriate conduct or using offensive language or gestures adhere to program requirements and accepted class norms and not behave in a way that disrupts or interferes with a HRD class or activity not attend class or a HRD activity whilst under the influence of prohibited drugs and/or intoxicating substances including alcohol. Misconduct may result in sanctions such as exclusion from classes or HRD activities. The <i>HRD Access, equity and conduct policy</i> can be viewed on the HRD website.
C.	Participation	Your employer and HRD expect you to be an active and cooperative participant in the training and assessment tasks made available to you. There is a <i>HRD Learner performance policy</i> (available on the HRD website) that describes what is required of learners enrolled in accredited training. If you find it hard to meet what's expected of you contact HRD without delay.

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d.	Attendance	You are regarded as being at work while you are training with HRD. Dress, punctuality and absences Work uniform, including appropriate PPE, must be worn as required. Your employer and HRD expect that you will arrive punctually for classes and not leave until directed to do so by your trainer. HRD is required to monitor attendance and record and report lateness or absence.
e.	Plagiarism and cheating	 HRD strives to ensure fair and relevant assessment and to provide a supervised environment that maximises individual potential and which reduces the opportunity for dishonesty. Plagiarism and cheating in any form are a serious breach of trust and are unacceptable. Plagiarism is using, without acknowledgement, the work of another person or persons and representing it as your own. Cheating is knowingly misleading, deceiving or acting dishonestly for one's own gain. Instances of plagiarism or cheating will be dealt with according to the HRD Plagiarism and cheating policy (view on the HRD website). Disciplinary action may include suspension from a course and reporting instances to your employer.
f.	Complaints and appeals	A complaint must be made within 30 days of a person becoming dissatisfied or a grievance occurring; or if a problem is not properly resolved. An assessment decision must also be appealed within 30 days. The complaint procedure and form can be downloaded from the HRD website.
g.	Confidentiality	All student records are handled and stored in a way that maintains your privacy and the integrity of the records. Only you, your employer and HRD staff have access to your records. Unless required to do so by law, HRD will not allow access to your personal information by others without your written approval.

	Other
12. Support services	HRD will try to provide personal support in relation to matters that directly affect or arise from your learning and assessment experience with us. If necessary, we will help you find personal counselling services to deal with personal issues.
	If you are employed and your issue relates to your workplace or work colleagues in the workplace, you should take up the matter with your supervisor or HR team.
13. Catering	Tea and coffee facilities are available at both the RAN and the HRD training rooms. HRD Integrated Services may provide you with lunches/meals. If you have special dietary requirements, please inform us prior to the commencement of training. If the catering provided is not to your liking feel free to make your own arrangements.
14. Quality assurance	HRD Integrated Services has a quality assurance and improvement system which includes documented procedures for managing and monitoring training operations and for reviewing learner/employer satisfaction.
15. Client satisfaction surveys	To meet its obligations to collect nationally consistent client satisfaction information, you may be asked to complete a 'Learner questionnaire'. Results are reported to the state registering body for analysis.
-	You may also be contacted by the National Centre for Vocational Research (NCVER) and offered the opportunity to participate in a separate national Student Outcomes Survey.