



Course Title: Winter Service Operator (7070)	
Duration: 2 Days	Certification: LASNTG Certification
Expiry Period: 5 Years	Award: Assessment Certificate

Aim of Programme:

The aim of this programme is to provide the winter service operative with the skills to carry out winter service operations using appropriate methods in a safe, effective and cost-effective manner.

Target Learner:

This training programme is for learners who will have worked with or have experience in winter service operations. Learners can be Winter Services Operator.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this programme, the learner will be able to:

- Outline the relevant legislation relating to winter service operations and the various types of risk assessments.
- Highlight the contents of a Winter Service Plan or Policy and to explain the concept of Priority Routes.
- Outline the basics of the weather information system used and the decision-making process.
- Outline the different communication systems and processes used in winter service operations.
- Introduce the properties of salt and outline the selection of the rates and spreads and explain how this relates to the melting rate of ice/snow.
- Outline the various categories of EU driving licences and the responsibility the licence holder has.
- Outline the various winter service operations equipment and salt depths.
- Outline how to carry out the necessary equipment checks on vehicles, bulk spreaders and snowploughs and how to store that equipment.
- Outline the set up and operation of a demountable bulk spreader and snow plough.
- Highlight the safety & health considerations in winter service operations including; the proper use of PPE, what to do in an emergency situation (including the proper use of emergency equipment), and risks and controls associated with lone working
- Mount, set-up and operate of a demountable bulk spreader and snow plough (including spread patterns and operation of control box); demonstrate proper pre-use equipment checks; demonstrate how to drive safely with equipment mounted

Assessment:

There is **Theory** based examination which is a Classroom Exam, the total duration is 45 minutes.

Also, four **Skills** demonstration which is a Site Practical Exam and the total duration for these exams is 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Entry requirements:

- Applicants must be able to demonstrate a level of knowledge, skill and competence associated with Level 4 of the NFQ.
- Applicants must have reached the minimum requirement of a Valid Safe Pass Card or other Appropriate Construction Safety Training.

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- Applicants must have a good standard of education.
- Preferably the learner has previous experience in the construction industry/transport industry.
- Learners must possess a current Full Class C Driving Licence.

Equipment/Documentation the learner must bring to course:

- Driving Licence
- PPE:
 - Hard Hat
 - Minimum Class 2 High visibility jacket
 - High visibility bottoms
 - Safety footwear
 - Gloves
 - Hearing protection
 - Eye protection (where appropriate)

Enquiries and Booking:

Please contact your local Regional Training Centre:

- Ballincollig: brtc@corkcoco.ie
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