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Chris Palmer has been involved with the transport field for over thirty years. In this time he has gained considerable experience in all aspects of traffic and transport law.

Since retiring from the police service he has, obtained the Certificate in Professional Competence in Road Haulage, and ADR Certificates and qualified as a Dangerous Goods Safety Adviser. He has been actively involved in training all levels of

staff within the haulage industry and enforcement agencies, auditing compliance systems and auditing and advising in relation to carriage of dangerous goods.

Chris is a consultant Trainer to Time Instruments delivering VOSA approved Nominated Tachograph Calibration Technician Training courses. He specialises in training on all makes of digital tachograph (Continental 1381, Efkon EFAS3, Stoneridge SE5000 & Exakt and Actia) and calibration equipment including Phlect CD3, Matt UTP10, Stoneridge and Continental VDO. Other courses delivered include CPC Freight, DGSA, Digital Tachograph (all levels), Drivers' Hours (all levels) and other compliance matters. He has developed and delivered courses on Drivers' Hours Laws and Tachographs (Digital and Analogue); and, Management of Systems to Protect the Operator's Licence.

He successfully attended the first City & Guilds Digital Tachograph Course at Siemens VDO and completed exams in Actia Digital Tacho Training and Stoneridge Digital Tacho Training becoming one of very few people trained by all three manufacturers to this standard.

Using his extensive knowledge of court practice, he advises hauliers and their professional advisors on how to handle enforcement action. He was a co-author of Hughes Guide to Traffic Law and instrumental in its acceptance by VOSA (then the DETR) and many Police Forces as their first point of reference for traffic law.

Qualifications & Experience

- CPC – National Road Haulage – April 2003
- Vehicle Inspectorate – Vehicle Inspection Technique - Nominated Police Officer for Prohibitions – Oct.1992
- Motor Vehicle Examination – City & Guilds – Aug.1990
- Digital Tachograph:
- VDO Siemens, City & Guilds, Course – Nov. 2005,
- Actia Smart-Tach Technical Course – Oct. 2005,
- Stoneridge Technical Course – Oct. 2005.
- Analogue Tachograph Chart Analysis, Calibration, Drivers Hours Law, etc. Level 4 – Lancashire Constabulary – Nov. 1987
- Advanced Police Examiners Course in Braking Systems for HGV, LCV & cars – TFA, Stoke on Trent – Oct 1992
- Bendix, Bristol – Air Braking Systems & Regulations – Oct. 1991
- Michelin, London – Tyre Course for Police Examiners – Feb. 1993
- Traffic Legislation & related matters – Essex Police – 1988
- Instructor, PNC Training – Durham Constabulary - 1984
- HGV driving basic skills & class one (C+E) test pass RTITB – 21/11/1975

- PCV category D test pass – 31/7/1996
- Police Advanced Class One motor car driving – Essex Police – May 1991
- Police Advanced Class One motorcycle riding – City of London Police – May 1988
- Police Autocrime – Metropolitan Police – Feb. 1989
- Construction Industry Training Board – Safety Awareness & Plant Operator – Oct 1990 & Nov 1995
- ADR VTC (Packages & Tanks, All Classes) – expired Feb 2010
- Dangerous Goods Safety Adviser, all classes – Road & Sea – expired Nov 2009