

Traffic Controller

Looking to make a career change? If you haven't decided on a new path yet, then consider becoming a traffic controller in Australia! This profession can be extremely rewarding.



What is the job?

Traffic controllers are an essential part of keeping Australian roads safe. They ensure the safe and efficient movement of vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists, and people using mobility aids and micromobility devices in an organised way to ensure public safety.

Example of tasks and duties

- Directing traffic around areas of disruption, such as roadworks, accidents, building sites, and planned maintenance.
- Directing pedestrians to maintain safety around changed vehicle and road conditions.
- Communicating via two-way radio with other road traffic team members, emergency response teams, and construction workers to give and receive updates on traffic and conditions.
- Operating road signs, such as a Stop/Slow bat, and using hand signals to direct the flow of traffic and pedestrians.

Traffic controllers work outdoors in all kinds of weather. They are required to have good communication and sequential planning skills.

What training do I need?

Complete a skill set which is delivered by an Approved Training Provider. The first skill set you will need to complete is Traffic Controller 1.





Traffic Controller 1

RIISS00058 - Traffic Controller - Urban Streets and Low Volume Rural Roads Skill Sets

This entry-level training will equip you with the knowledge and skills required for traffic control in temporary traffic management category 1 environments. You will learn how to communicate in the workplace and control traffic with Stop/Slow bat, portable traffic control devices, and temporary traffic signs.

Are there any entry requirements?

Yes, to enrol in this training you must hold the unit CPCWHS1001 Prepare to work safely in the construction industry or its equivalent unit.

For further information, an Approved Training Provider can assist with guidance specific to your circumstances.

If you would like to continue your career path as a traffic controller then a step up to Traffic Controller 2 is for you.

Traffic Controller 2

RIISS00059 - Traffic Controller - High Volume Roads Skill Set

In this course you will gain the skills and knowledge required for traffic control on high-volume roads in temporary traffic management category 2 environments.

Are there any entry requirements?

Yes, to enrol in this training you must have successfully completed the Traffic Controller 1 – RIISS00058 – Traffic Controller – Urban Streets and Low Volume Rural Roads skill set and have 40 hours of work experience as a Traffic Controller 1 (in a category 1 environment).

Are there any opportunities for career progression?

Yes, the units in both courses provide credit towards a number of Certificate II and Certificate III qualifications in the RII Resources and Infrastructure Industry Training Package and other training packages, such as RII30920 Certificate III in Civil Construction or equivalent.

How do I enroll?

Chat with an Approved Training Provider who will be able to discuss enrolment processes and answer any questions you have.

Need more information?

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