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EWP Operator Licence / Yellow Card Course Overview

The Yellow Card Training Program has been designed for people needing to develop the skills and knowledge required to operate Mobile Elevating Work Platforms (MEWPs or commonly known as EWPs). The course will provide training in the safe use of various types of elevated work platforms including boom type MEWPs with boom length under 11 metres. Participants may complete singular or multiple modules, depending on the type of EWP they will be operating.

Modules include -

- Vertical Lift (VL)
- Scissor Lift (SL)
- Self Propelled Boom Lift (BL)
- Trailer Lift (TL)
- Truck Mounted Lift (TM)
- Advanced Boom (AB)

Course Outline

The EWP Operator License / Yellow Card Training course offers comprehensive theoretical and hands on training provided by Trainers accredited by the EWPA.

In completing the course, you can expect to learn the skills required to safely operate various types of MEWPs.

Course participants will gain theoretical knowledge as well as practical skills in the following:

- Hazard identification, risk assessment and controls
- Fall arrest harness inspection, fitting and use
- Identify safe operating parameters using data plate and manual
- Conduct pre and post operational checks
- Operation of EWP
- Emergency procedures
- Theory assessment and practical observation and demonstration

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EWPA Accredited Trainers

By choosing to complete your EWP Operator License / Yellow Card course through an EWPA Accredited Trainer, you can be confident that your course will be delivered in accordance with the EWPA Code of

Practice and Accredited Trainer Manual. All EWPA Accredited Trainers are highly qualified and must hold a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment and significant industry experience

To register for a course with an EWPA Accredited Trainer you can book online as well as search for training providers online. <https://yellowcard.ewpa.com.au/Public/Home/Courses>

Outcome

Upon successful completion of the course your Accredited Trainer will submit training records to the EWPA who will approve your training and provide you with an EWP Operator Licence with the proof training and your photograph on the card.

You will be able to apply for a Statement of Attainment for RIIHAN301E - Operate Elevating Work Platforms. Please advise your Accredited Trainer if you require this as there is additional paperwork to be completed.

An interim record of training from the EWPA will be emailed to you upon approval of your licence by the EWPA and this can be used when operating a MEWP until you receive your yellow card. The Yellow card will be posted to your supplied address.

Course Prerequisites

The Training program has no pre-requisite units. However, MEWPs require operators to have a thorough understanding of the risks associated with using them. This includes being able to read and understand technical information such as instructions for emergency lowering systems, wind speed ratings, variable rated capacity restrictions, operator's manuals and logbook checklists.

The EWPA Accredited Trainer must be confident that the knowledge and skills imparted have been taken in and understood by the participant and assessed to the level that the operator can be deemed competent.

Participants should be 18 years of age. Operating restrictions apply for those under 18 years of age.

Duration

Approximately 6 hours, depending upon class size and prior knowledge and experience.

Fees and charges

EWPA Accredited Trainers manage their own pricing, but as a guideline the EWPA recommends a course fee of \$400.

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Class Size

Classes are limited to 10 people. For larger groups you will need to contact the Accredited Trainer who will arrange for more than one Trainer to be available

License Renewal

The Yellow Card is valid for five years from the date of training; an email will be sent to each individual 1 month prior to the licence expiring inviting them to renew for another five years.

For operators that have kept their practical skills current they have the option to complete their licence renewal online. The online renewal fee is currently \$50 and involves a short theoretical refresher and assessment to be undertaken to ensure currency of knowledge.

For operators that have not regularly operated machinery over the last 12 months, face-to-face training through an Accredited Trainer is a valid (and effective) method of renewing the Yellow Card.

About the EWPA

The purpose of the EWPA is to ensure safety as well as support and promote the Elevating Work Platform industry.

The EWPA is dedicated to ensuring members are kept up to date with the latest safety information relating to the operation and regulations regarding the use of elevated work platforms. This is done through the wide range of services and benefits made available to members of the EWPA. These services include access to the EWPA Operator License Training Scheme (Yellow Card), industry advice lines, master agreements and specialised stationary available to order.

Should you wish to find out more about the EWPA please visit www.ewpa.com.au or call 02 9998 2222.