



# Short Haul Truck Driver

Short haul drivers are responsible for hauling freight and cargo over shorter distances; a driver would typically leave early in the day and make a series of pick-ups and drop-offs and be back home by evening. In some instances, short-haul drivers may spend a night away from home though this is not so common for PEI drivers. Short haul drivers may be responsible for loading and unloading their trucks, so some level of physical fitness is necessary.





Some desirable traits our employers look for in a short haul driver would be: a good work ethic; some level of mechanical understanding and skills; flexibility in scheduling; good customer service and communication skills; ability to work independently; and problem solving skills.

Though most short haul drivers stay relatively close to home, they typically put in longer than average work days. It's not uncommon to see 12+ hours shifts. Keep in mind, some short haul work is tied to weather and the seasons, so drivers typically put in longer hours when the sun is shining and may have slower weeks when the weather does not cooperate.

-  + Home Time
-  + Interaction
-  Job Security





## Training

-  Driver Training
-  Internship
-  Driver Coach
-  Ongoing Training




## Compensation

-  Average \$45,000/yr
-  Competitive Benefits



## Opportunity

-  Dump Trailer
-  Container
-  Van Trailer

## THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TRUCKING INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE



Approximately **4000** people work in the PEI Trucking industry. About half of them are truck drivers! Other career options include Mechanic, Dispatcher, Recruiter, Safety, Human Resources & More.



Up to **800** people are needed in the next few years to fill current and upcoming vacancies. Over 600 of these vacancies are due to retirements alone!



The PEI trucking industry offers great pay and benefits packages. A career in the PEI trucking industry offers great job security with lots of opportunities for advancement!