Primary Functions or Duties: Professional Tractor-Trailer Driver

A professional tractor-trailer driver should be able to perform the following functions:

- Read and interpret control systems
- Perform vehicle inspections
- Exercise basic control
- Back and dock tractor-trailer
- Couple trailer
- Uncouple trailer
- Perform visual search
- Manage and adjust vehicle speed
- Manage and adjust vehicle space relations
- o Check and maintain vehicle systems and components
- o Diagnose and report malfunctions
- o Identify potential driving hazards and perform emergency maneuvers
- o Identify and adjust to difficult and extreme driving conditions
- Handle and document cargo
- Deal with accident scenes and reporting procedures
- Deal with environmental issues
- o Plan trips and make appropriate decisions
- Use effective communication and public relations skills
- o Manage personal resources and deal with life on the road
- o Record and maintain Hours of Service requirements