



# SNOWPLOW OPERATOR



**Course Overview** This course is designed as a refresher for experienced snowplow operators, as well as to provide a good foundation of skills for novice operators. The course covers all topics required to manage an effective and safe winter maintenance program. All operators will be given practical/hands-on training that includes a pre-trip refresher, clearance training, and a 1:1 road evaluation.

**Note:** Each student receives one day of classroom training and approximately 2-4 hours of practical training, according to skill level. Front End Loader (FEL) yard activities can be incorporated into the practical portion upon request.

## Classroom Topics

- ▶ Weather & road weather
- ▶ Benefits of pre-season preparation
- ▶ Salt smarts
- ▶ Truck operation & safety
- ▶ Plow & wing mounting & set-up
- ▶ Pre-trip inspection
- ▶ Plowing techniques
- ▶ Front end loader awareness
  - Vehicle components
  - Pre-trip inspection
  - Basic operation (truck loading etc.)

## Hands-On (Seat-time) Activities

- ▶ Pre-trip inspection
- ▶ Clearance training
- ▶ On-road assessment (DDC)

**Who Should Attend:** Any person responsible for operating a snowplow

**Learning Objectives:** This course will help operators make better, more informed decisions in every aspect of snow plow operation. The results of this learning process are improved:

- ▶ Knowledge and conscientious attitude regarding salt management
- ▶ Vehicle and attachment maintenance habits
- ▶ Safety awareness
- ▶ Productivity

**Pre-requisite:** All attendees must have current DZ license

**Student Manuals:** Each student will receive a comprehensive training manual

**Evaluation /Documentation:** Theory exam (multiple choice); oral exam (by instructor) and practical exam (on equipment)

Each successful participant will be provided with a course certificate and the employer will receive a written operator training summary.

**About the Facilitator:** Developed and delivered to you by **Ground Force Training Inc.**