



# MCFRS Tiller Trainee Pilot Program

**This program allows candidates who have met prerequisites and been approved by the Driver Training program to function in the tiller position under limited circumstances while completing the remainder of their TDA training.**

## **PREREQUISITES:**

- EVOC-A,
- Twelve (12) hours routine tiller driving at the station (not including EVOC-A hours),
- Application and approval by the Driver Training office at the PSTA.

**HOW IT WORKS:** After application, the driver's training office will grant the candidate Tiller Trainee status by notifying the candidate and the candidate's chain of command.

The tiller trainee will count towards minimum staffing requirements in the tiller position of their assigned truck on their assigned shift. A second fully qualified tiller person will remain rostered at the station in Telestaff, however, the tiller trainee may be assigned to tiller the truck without another tiller person on the apparatus. In extreme situations, scheduling may pull the fully qualified tiller person to staff another TDA to prevent a force hold, at their discretion.

The goal of the program is to facilitate completion of the TDA qualification and allow the candidates the ability to gain valuable on the job training after meeting minimum requirements.

Candidates will **NOT** count towards minimum staffing in a tiller position at any other time, on any other shift or at any other station. They are not eligible for overtime or CSB in a tiller position.

**TIMEFRAME:** Tiller Trainee status will be granted for a period of six (6) months, after which time it will be removed and they are no longer authorized to operate in the tiller position on emergency incidents. The candidate's shift officer may request a three (3) month extension of tiller trainee status in writing to the driver's training coordinator. These requests should outline the reasons why the candidate was unable to complete TDA certification in the initial six-month timeframe.

**COLLISIONS:** A candidate involved in a collision while operating either end of a TDA under this program will have tiller trainee status suspended while the collision is assessed for fault and any appropriate remedial training is delivered. The tiller trainee will not automatically be NATD as part of this program, however NATD may still be

assigned by the COC or Safety Officer. The tiller trainee timeframe will be automatically extended by the length of the time that the tiller trainee status is suspended pending remediation.

Please direct questions to the AC Burns.



## Tiller Trainee Status Request Form

Trainee Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Station/ Shift: \_\_\_\_\_ Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### PREREQUISITES:

Enter date prerequisites completed:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Successful completion of MCFRTA EVOC-A course.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Approval to begin TDA driver training process (Through MCFRS drivers training coordinator).

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Successful completion of at least 12 hours (2 hours night driving) routine driving in the tiller position (1 driving evaluation for every 2 hours of tillering).

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Successful completion of at least 10 emergency calls in the tiller position

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MCFRS Shift Captain/ LFRD Driver Training Coordinator

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Date

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\_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_ DENIED

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Driver's Training Coordinator or Designee