DVSA Earned Recognition

An alternative to FORS Silver, Work Related Road Risk (WRRR) and the Direct Vision Standard (DVS)

This guidance has been developed to help CLOCS Champions understand how DVSA Earned Recognition can be considered as an alternative way of demonstrating compliance with the CLOCS Standard, and should be read alongside the DVSA Earned Recognition [HGV audit standards](#) and the [TfL Contractual Requirements](#) module.

The Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) Earned Recognition scheme is a way for operators to prove they meet driver and vehicle standards.

This means that they are:

- continuously monitoring their own compliance

- using monitoring systems

- compliant with vehicle and road safety standards

- able to pass an industry leading audit.

It is a voluntary scheme that is designed to work for operators of all sizes, with a dedicated DVSA Earned Recognition team in place to ensure compliance and road safety is adhered to by all ER members and ensuring that the operators are supported at all stages.

The scheme is free to join, with no sign-up or membership fees.

The operator would need to bring all licences under the applying legal entity, to Earned Recognition. Operators can choose to apply for the TfL module (covering CLOCS/FORS Silver requirements) and can bring in individual operator licence, an individual operating centre or the entire entity which is part of the DVSA earned recognition accreditation. They do not need to have all sites audited or covered by the requirements for the extra module.

The audit is conducted by the operator's choice of audit provider and the cost of the audit can be negotiated by the operator. The advice is to shop around and a list of the authorised audit providers or AAPs can be found [here](#).

A link to a list of current ER operators is available [here](#).

The ER team will help operators on their journey to Earned Recognition, through the application process and beyond. The easiest way to make contact is via email at DVSAER@dvsa.gov.uk.