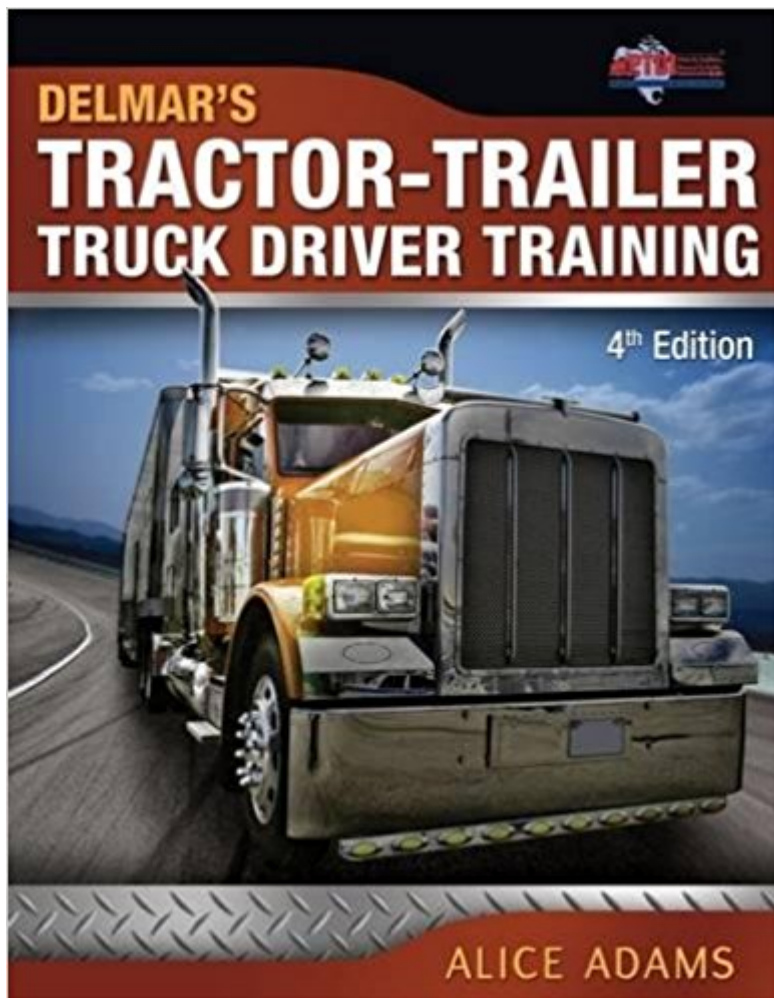


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When students need to learn from the resource even the pros trust, look no further than Delmar's Tractor-Trailer Truck Driver Training, 4E. Delmar is the only official education partner of the Professional Truck Driver Institute (PTDI). Our goal is to ensure that students are armed with the information needed to excel in their truck driver careers. The all-new fourth edition incorporates both customer and industry feedback to bring enhancements that truly capture the learning needs of the industry. One key improvement: the book's approach has been broadened to include all of North America, in an effort to provide accurate, effective content that is relevant to all drivers, whether they drive within or beyond the border of the United States. Additional updates include a detailed chapter devoted to CSA 2010, references to the latest tractor-trailer and driving technologies, as well as "day in the life" stories written by truck drivers and industry leaders that illustrate how truck driving experiences can shape both lives and careers. The end result is a valuable resource that will instill an up-to-date, comprehensive foundational knowledge that will help drivers in any stage of their career development.

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I actually bought this book because this was the text book we used in truck driving school. I wanted the book because we did the workbook as a team in class and each were responsible for several chapters. However after looking through the rest of the book, I found it beneficial to my learning.

Got a choice? Thinking about buying this? DON'T DO IT! Especially for the "new price." I got this used (here on) for 14.95 + shipping. I was excited to get it, but when I started reading it I got nothing, but disappointment. At the end of each chapter you have "Key Terms." The easiest way for me to learn things are to look up the definition of each word and study it (thus not having to read the entire chapter) thus getting the same result as reading the chapter. When I looked at the key terms I notice that from chapter to chapter there are repeats of 'key terms'. Not all of them, but there ARE repeats. That's not too bad though. I guess they put that in there like that to try to drill these terms through your head and force you to remember them. My biggest complaint about this book is the information within it. A lot of the time the definitions are completely outdated and NOT completely accurate according to the actual definition. (TRUST ME) Another thing I didn't like is how some of

the Key Terms are NOT in the glossary at the end of the book. This is irritating when you start on the definitions (and have a good thing going) just to realize the fifth one on the list isn't anywhere in the glossary (not to mention some definitions are even hard to find on Google). Not all things are bad about this book though (thus the two stars). It is very informative about the (VERY) basic things in truck driving including CMV Regulations, and such things. In closing if you HAVE to pick this up for school take it's words with a grain of salt. There are so much better books out there; it's a shame we had to use this one.

This book didn't just have some markings...it was previously used workbook with ink notes on almost every page. Still the material is what I needed...would have liked to read it without the mess.

Needed this book for truck driving school. Came really fast. Just what I needed.

Good book to study for license.

Arrived quickly, exactly as described!

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Perfect textbook for the students enrolled in our CDL Training School!

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