

Neil Barton

Truck Driver

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Class 1 HGV driver with five years on the road, covering long-haul and regional multi-drop routes across the UK. Currently running overnight trunking for Eddie Stobart out of Warrington, averaging 2,800 miles per week with a clean licence and zero at-fault incidents. Comfortable with fridges, curtainsiders, and tankers.

EXPERIENCE

Class 1 HGV Driver, Eddie Stobart, Warrington

Aug 2022 – Present

Overnight trunking between distribution centres across the North West and Midlands for retail clients.

- Average **2,800 miles per week** across 5 nights, delivering to 3-4 DCs per shift
- Maintained a **100% clean driving record** — zero at-fault incidents over 3.5 years
- Consistently achieve **8.2 mpg average** against a fleet target of 7.8 mpg through fuel-efficient driving techniques
- Completed ADR training to handle **hazardous goods loads** when required

Class 2 Multi-Drop Driver, DHL Supply Chain, Warrington

Jan 2021 – Jul 2022

Regional multi-drop deliveries for a major homeware retailer across the North West.

- Completed **18-22 drops per shift** with an on-time delivery rate of 97.3%
- Handled customer-facing deliveries including **two-man items** and installation sign-offs
- Trained **4 new drivers** on route planning, vehicle checks, and customer service protocols

Van Driver, Royal Mail, Liverpool

Jun 2019 – Dec 2020

Parcel and letter delivery across a 120-address route in south Liverpool.

- Delivered **250-300 items daily** with a 99.1% successful first-delivery rate
- Covered additional routes during Christmas peak — handled **double the volume** for 6 weeks

EDUCATION

GCSEs in General, Penketh High School, Warrington

Sep 2012 – Jun 2017

8 GCSEs including Maths (6) and English (5). Completed work experience with a local haulage firm which led to interest in driving as a career.

SKILLS

Cat C+E (Class 1) Licence, Digital Tachograph Operation, Vehicle Daily Walkaround Checks, Route Planning & Navigation, Load Securing & Weight Distribution, Fuel-Efficient Driving, Customer Delivery Handovers, Reversing & Manoeuvring (Articulated), Cold Chain / Temperature-Controlled Loads, Working Time Directive Compliance

CERTIFICATIONS

Driver CPC (Certificate of Professional Competence), DVSA

Jan 2021 – Jan 2026

ADR Certificate – Hazardous Goods (Packages), SQA / DVSA

Mar 2023 – Mar 2028

DCPC Module 4 – Vehicle Safety, Pertemps Driver Training

Sep 2024

LANGUAGES

English (native)

PROJECTS

Fuel Efficiency Trial – Eddie Stobart

Jun 2023 – Sep 2023

Selected as one of 8 drivers for a fleet-wide fuel efficiency pilot programme.

- Tested predictive cruise control and gear-shifting techniques over **12 weeks**
- Achieved **8.6 mpg average** against the fleet mean of 7.8 mpg — results shared across the Warrington depot
- Findings contributed to a revised driver training module now used for **all new Class 1 starters**

New Driver Buddy Programme – DHL

Sep 2021 – Mar 2022

Volunteered as a ride-along buddy for newly qualified Class 2 drivers during their first 4 weeks.

- Mentored **4 new drivers** through their first month on multi-drop routes
- All 4 passed their probationary review — **zero incidents** during buddy period

REFERENCES

Phil Greenwood, Transport Manager, Eddie Stobart, phil.greenwood@eddiestobart.com, +44 7700 900 623

Karen Whitfield, Depot Supervisor, DHL Supply Chain, karen.whitfield@dhl.com, +44 7700 900 781

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY

Member – Transport Workers' Social Club, Warrington

Jan 2022

Active member of the local drivers' social club. Help organise the annual charity truck convoy which raised £8,400 for Macmillan Cancer Support in 2025.

Amateur Car Mechanic

Jan 2018

Restore and maintain classic cars as a hobby. Currently rebuilding a 1987 Ford Sierra Cosworth — sourcing parts and doing all mechanical work myself.