

Rental truck guide: Light Hire truck.



Thank you for choosing us as your hire vehicle provider. This is a short guide for users of our light trucks. These are a large hire vehicle that can still be driven on a car licence. Driving these vehicles is a little more involved than the vans, so we will go through a few points to help you get the best from your vehicle.

The Body and exterior of your hire truck.

This unit is 6 metres in length and is 3.4 meters tall. Both these dimensions are quite large for customers with experience of only driving cars. A user who is new to trucks needs to be aware of a number of points.

1. You have no rear view mirror; you need to rely on your wing mirrors.
2. This vehicle requires a lot more care in cornering than your car, you need to pay particular attention to pedestrians in built up areas.
3. At 3.4 metres in height, you need to keep close attention to height restrictions that you may encounter, such as: car park barriers, underground car parks and low bridges.
4. Wing mirrors on trucks extend out about 1ft from the doors on the vehicle, pay particular attention to you driving line, and watch out for pedestrians and telephone /electrical poles. It is not uncommon for drivers to damage the passenger side door from heavy wing mirror impacts.
5. All doors are lockable and your body key is on the main key ring.
6. The interior lights will only come on when the side lights are turned on and the internal body switch is turned to on.



Tyres and Toolkit.

The light hire trucks come with double rear tyres. The spare wheel is located underneath the rear doors. These units are not prone to punctures although they can still happen. The jack is located behind the passenger's seat; there is also a wheel brace located there.

We do not recommend customers to change damaged or punctured wheels. If you encounter a problem with tyres please contact us for advice. Damage to tyres or punctures are not covered by your hire policy, all costs relating to tyres are payable by the customer.

Putting Fuel into your Hire Truck.

You will receive your truck full of Fuel. The fuel tank is located on the driver's side of the body about half way along the length of the body. The cap is located where there is a break in the side marking. The cap can be unlocked with the ignition key. Diesel is the only fuel these trucks will run on, any bio fuel or derivatives can seriously damage the engine and should not be used. When filling the vehicle do not insert the nozzle all the way into the tank, it will cause the fuel supply to stop at around $\frac{3}{4}$ full.

Engine and engine management.

These units use a 3.1 litres direct injection diesel engine. These engines are powerful and very reliable. There is a emissions system on these engines that long term customers should become familiar with.

DPD (Diesel Particulate Defuser)

The diesel particulate defuser is the system which purifies particulate matter in the exhaust gas. This collects particulate matter in the DPD filter and burns this particulate matter automatically.

Sometimes this process needs to be performed manually and the DPD light will flash on your hire trucks instrument panel. To purge the filter perform the following:

1. Stop the rental vehicle in a safe place where there are no dead leaves, scraps of paper or other substances that may readily burn.
2. Put the gearshift lever in the neutral position and pull the parking brake firmly.
3. Idle the engine. If you use the idling control knob to increase engine speed, return it all the way to the left to reduce the engine speed.
4. Press the DPD switch on the dash the flashing of the DPD indicator light changes to a steady indication, the engine speed automatically increases and the regeneration starts. Stay near the vehicle during the regeneration. The regeneration is normally completed in about 20 minutes. When the DPD indicator light goes off, the regeneration is complete, and the vehicle can be run normally.

Please feel free to contract our Truck rental department in Dublin on 01-4592069 if you require any further information.