

Presentation Instructions

Who is this presentation for?

The trainer and learners.

What is in this Presentation?

- Course information that matches the Learner Guide content.
- Review questions and model answers.
- Slides contain summarised content, with full notes and information for the trainer, visible when the slide show is shown in "Presenter View" (see instructions on next slide).
- Use this presentation to support and reinforce the training information from the Learner Guide.

What do you need to do before you use it for the first time?

1. Rebrand the presentation.
2. Review the presentation as part of your validation process.

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**OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A
FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE**



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Training Presentation Sections

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Section 1: Introduction to 4WDs



Section 2: Prepare for Operations



Section 3: Drive the 4WD



Section 4: Recover 4WD & Finish Work

Section 1: Introduction to 4WDs



1.1 Introduction

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- ◆ Minimising environmental impact while driving the 4WD.
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These vehicles have separate front and rear differentials and freewheeling hubs (front wheel hubs) that let the front wheels turn freely (not under power).

WARNING: Driving constantly with all hubs engaged may cause transmission wind-up. This is where the transmission locks and the vehicle will not move forward. It can also be caused by uneven rolling diameters of tyres. If you think transmission wind-up is starting, reverse and shift to high 4.

Full-Time 4WD - Vehicles with full-time 4WD run in constant 4x4 mode (all wheels are powered all the time) and do not have freewheeling hubs.

These 4WDs make use of high and low gears. Low gears provide more torque to help with driving off-road.

Differential Locks (Diff Locks) - Diff locks can be engaged in both part and full time 4WDs to lock the differential. This causes each wheel to always spin at the same rate of rotation to provide better traction.

1.2.4 4WD Capabilities

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