# Driver Risk Management

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### Introduction

Human Factors in Road Safety

Identifying underlying behaviours

Changing habits and embedding

improvements



### **Human Factors in Road Safety**

- Employees driving for work more likely to crash than other
   employees (9.5 fatalities per 100 million person hours vs 3.0 for other occupations; Elvik, 2005)
- Road traffic crashes account for 20% 40% of work-related incidents (ETSC, 2010a; Fort et al., 2010).
- Increases to 60% If commuting is included (ETSC, 2010a)
- Over 5,000 KSI involved someone driving for work in 2014 (DfT. 2015)
- Time pressure is a major factor (Nævestad et al, 2015; Fort et al, 2014)





### Human Factors: Responses to time Pressure

- Time pressure prevalent in companies
- Behavioural indicators (Nævestad et al, 2015; Fort et al, 2014)
  - Speed
  - Failure to gather essential traffic information
  - Making poor decisions in traffic;
  - Operating the vehicle unskilfully;
  - Positioning the vehicle wrongly in the road



- To improve fleet risk companies need to:-
  - 1. Reduce time pressure
  - 2. Manage the effects of time pressure on driver behaviour







### **Identifying Behaviours**

- Driver Risk Index™ used in many studies of work related driving:-
  - DRI linked to poor driving outcomes and crashes for commercial drivers (Carty et al, 1999; Hartley and El Hassani, 1994)
  - DRI associations with mood, fatigue and cognition amongst truck drivers
     (Desmond et al, 2001)
  - Bus DRI; workload predicts coping response and risky driving (Hoare, 2001;
     Machin and Hoare, 2008; Garwood and Dorn, 2003; Dorn and Garwood 2005;
     Dorn et al, 2010)
  - DRI association with driver stress, risk taking, fatigue, violations and company driver crashes (Kontogiannis, 2006; Öz et al, 2010; Rowden et al, 2011)

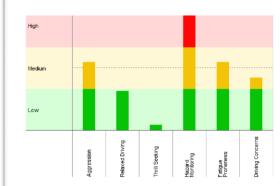




## Completing the Driver Risk Index™...

#### Not a Test...

- Assesses a range of risk factors
- Approx. 20 mins to complete
- Provides unique driver report
- Accurate indicator of crash involvement
- Basis for post-assessment interventions



Each of your category results is explained in detail in the following paragraphs:

#### Aggression - Medium Risk

Aggression when driving a bus is characterized by anger towards other road users, especially when other drivers get in the way or do something wrong. Bus drivers scoring high on aggression tend to lose their temper and may take risks whilst driving such as speeding and tailgating. Aggression is associated with the tendency to blame others for any difficulties experienced whilst driving a bus.

#### Relaxed Driving - Low Risk

Relaxed Driving measures the ability to leave problems and stresses behind as a bus driver and relax after work without needing a long time to wind down. Relaxed Driving is associated with lower levels of driver stress and being generally happy and friendly whilst driving a bus. A high score on this factor assesses the extent to which a bus driver is able resist being distracted by and bothered by verbal abuse or complaints from passengers.

#### Thrill Seeking - Low Risk

Thrill Seeking measures the enjoyment of risk taking and sensation of raising adrenaline levels when driving a bus. Bus drivers scoring high on this factor tend to enjoy situations where there is





## DriverMetrics Approach...

### Identify

Driver Risk Index™

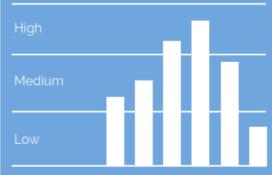
Choose the most appropriate Driver Risk Index™ assessment.



### Review

Management Information System

Evaluate your driver reports at the press of a button. The Management Information System analyses your entire fleet data, and can be customized to your business needs.



#### Act

#### **Intervention Options**

Select the most appropriate intervention to address the specific driver behaviour. Identified in Driver Risk Index™ reports.

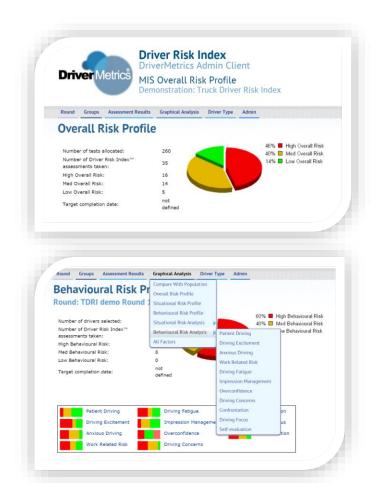






### Management Information System

- Detailed MI accessible 24/7
- Business, cost centre & driver reporting
- Detailed activity reporting
  - Risk Analysis
  - Business unit / individual profiling
  - Completion / Compliance
  - Driver Status
- Grey Fleet data
- Email and data export facility
- Audit trail







## **Changing Habits**



#### Train the Trainer

Delivered in-company or at Cranfield
University, our training courses provide
driver trainers and managers with the
advanced skills and knowledge
required to implement driver coaching
based on Driver Risk Index™ profiles to
influence driver behaviour.



### **Driver Coaching**

In-vehicle and workshop-based driver training tailored to the Driver Risk Index™ profile reports by DriverMetrics®. Designed to influence at risk driver behaviours.



### Bespoke Workshops

Behavioural Workshops are tailored specifically for the needs of your fleet drivers. They're held on-site, at your offices, and are the only behavioural workshops personalised to Driver Risk Index<sup>TM</sup> profile reports.





## **Embedding Improvements**

- Tailored online training course automatically delivered
- Mitigates identified risks alongside other behavioural interventions
- Drip feed approach







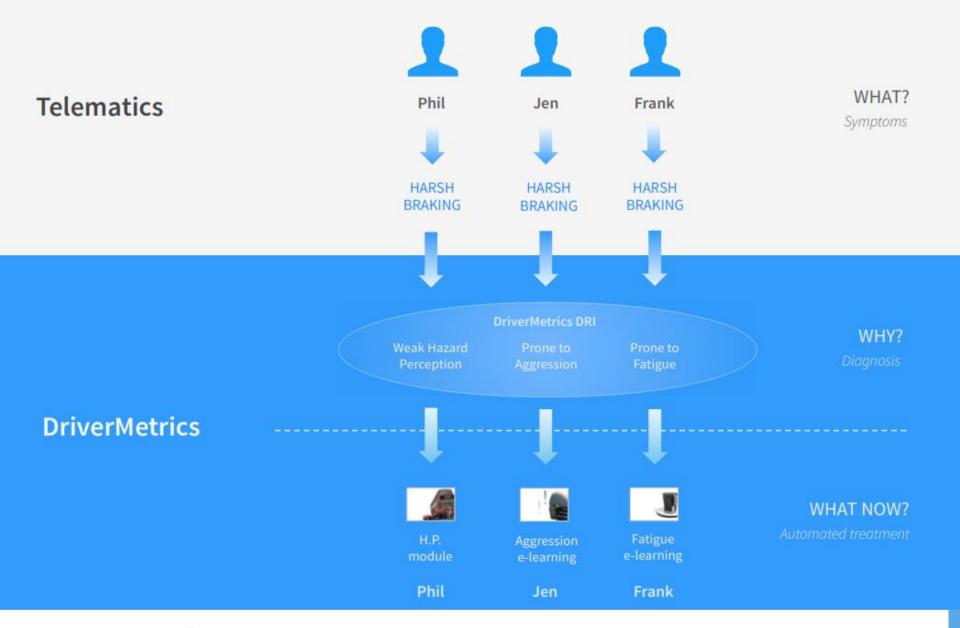
















## Case Study





\$75,000

Invested in DriverMetrics Programme

52%

Reduction in Collisions

22x Return On Investment 700 DRI assessments and certification workshops

Marked reduction in collisions on average across all groups

Up to \$1.7m saved in collisions avoided

Why the huge improvement in student driver collisions? We began assessing driver applicants with the DriverMetrics Risk Index.





### In Summary

- The Driver Risk Index<sup>™</sup> assesses vulnerability to time pressure
- The Driver Risk Index<sup>™</sup> profiles many other behavioural indicators of driver risk
- Taking a behavioural safety approach shown to improve work related road safety across many case studies





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