

Volunteer Driver Role

We rely on having a strong team of volunteers to help us transport our participants to and from our site in Norton Canon, Herefordshire. We have two vehicles. Pick-ups and drop-offs are made in Hereford, Leominster and Kington at approximately 9am and 4pm. Courses run between 10am – 3pm on site Monday to Thursday.

Volunteer driver requirements, tasks and responsibilities:

To drive for us you will need:

- For our 9-seater vehicle – to be aged 25 or over, hold a full UK driving licence for a minimum of 2 years, and have no more than 3 penalty points
- For our 17-seater minibus – includes the above requirements, plus a category D1 licence and current MiDAS certificate (Which we can arrange, please see below)
- To hold a current enhanced DBS check (Which we can arrange, please see below)
- To annually complete a drivers declaration form and provide a DVLA check code (to allow us to check your licence).
- To read and comply with all TCS risk assessments
- To complete a vehicle check prior to driving a Cart Shed vehicle and report any defects immediately.
- To notify us immediately if you have incurred endorsements on your licence, or any new medical condition or disability which could impact your driving ability
- Any driver over 70 years of age will need to pass a medical to retain D1 entitlement and continue to be able to drive the 17 seater

Other volunteer attributes:

- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Being prompt and on time for all pickups and drop-offs
- Being caring, considerate, patient, professional and understanding
- Being flexible, reliable and helpful
- Confidence in engaging with all kinds of people in a friendly manner
- An interest in helping people
- Ability to comply with all Cart Shed charity policies and procedures



We offer:

- A volunteer manager to support you
- Full induction to the vehicle and an initial trip with an experienced volunteer driver will be arranged.
- An enhanced DBS check will be arranged and paid for by the charity
- Training to a nationally recognised standard when driving the 17 seater will be arranged and paid for by TCS. MiDAS brings a wide range of benefits, including enhanced passenger safety and improved passenger comfort
- Any driver over 70 years of age will need to pass a medical to retain D1 entitlement. The Cart Shed will look to reimburse the cost of the medical (by prior agreement)
- The Cart Shed has comprehensive insurance for all vehicles, volunteers, employees and passengers, as well as public liability insurance and breakdown recovery
- Volunteer drivers will be offered travel expenses to cover their travel to and from the site at Norton Canon (see Volunteer expenses policy for full details)
- Flexible volunteering opportunities
- Opportunity to learn new skills
- Volunteering in a friendly, supportive environment
- Opportunity to meet a wide range of people
- Something worthwhile to do in your spare time
- A vegetable soup lunch and a sausage sandwich on the days you are volunteering

