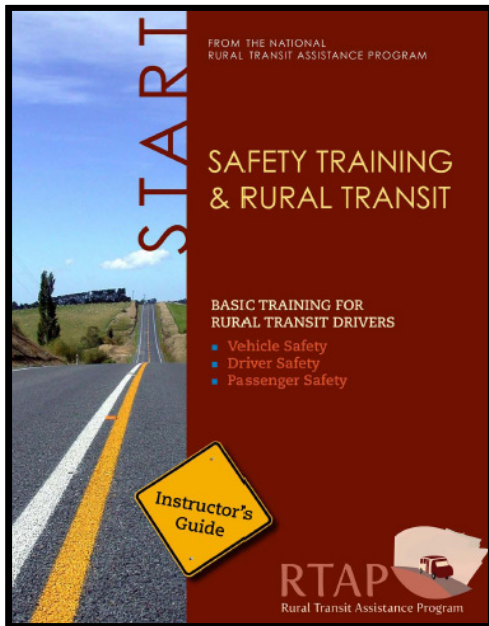


Train-the-Trainer Class for START to be offered at SWTA Annual Conference February 8, 2010 in Santa Fe, NM



Many of you may remember one of the earliest National RTAP training modules called Special Transit and Rural Transit Safety (STARTS). When it came out in 1988, it was a very unique training course for its time. It was one of the very first defensive and safe driving classes targeted to rural and small community transportation providers. The original course consisted of three parts – Vehicle Safety Inspection, Passenger Relations & Driver Sensitivity and Defensive & Safe Driving Procedures. For many years, it was one of the most popular training classes that National RTAP produced. Over time, the video visuals became dated and the pace of the course seemed plodding. The information was still relevant, but the method of delivery was behind the times.

Last year, National RTAP unveiled a new module developed to replace STARTS. It is called Safety Training and Rural Transit (START). The module is now available in two formats – computer-based and instructor-led. The new course also has three sections – Vehicle Safety, Driver Safety and Passenger Safety. It is presented as “basic training for rural transit drivers.” The training module has a great deal of flexibility. It can be delivered one-on-one or in a classroom style. The course could be as short or lengthy as the trainer has time to present (from a few hours to three days). There are discussion questions, sample forms, hands-on exercises and knowledge review exams. Each participant will receive a “Learner’s Guide” that functions as a resource for the driver once the class is completed. All these features are offered in a single DVD.

On Monday, February 8, Russ Parrish (trainer extraordinaire) will be leading a Train-the-Trainer Workshop at the 30th SWTA Annual Conference introducing START. We will cover all the parts of the DVD and how to work each section. Russ will also offer some additional instruction on how to be an effective trainer.

The workshop will begin at 8:00 AM and last until 4:00 PM. Breaks and lunch will be provided. The cost of the workshop is normally \$70 per person, but will be offered to paid attendees of the conference at no additional charge. Attendance will be limited to the first 25 people to register. You must register in advance and you will be charged an NO SHOW fee of \$25 for non attendance.

All attendees to the class will receive a copy of the DVD, a Learner’s Guide and Instructor’s Guide.

To Register for the SWTA Annual Conference, go to www.swta.org

Registration form for the START Class is on the back of this page



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Special Training and Event Registration Form

<p>Attendee Information:</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>Agency: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____</p> <p>Phone:(_____) _____ Fax:(_____) _____</p> <p>E-mail (optional): _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SWTA occasionally takes photographs and videos at its events to be used to promote the association and it's activities. Please initial below if you do NOT wish to have any photos of yourself used in this way. _____</p>	<p>I am registering for the following special training or event:</p> <p><u>Sunday, February 7, 2010 - 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ski Outing (includes transportation) Half-Day Group Lift Ticket Price \$38.25 Skis, Boots & Poles Rental Price \$18.80 Helmet (optional) \$ 8.00 TOTAL \$65.05</p> <p>(make check payable to SWTA)</p> <p><u>Monday, February, 8, 2010 - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Train-the-Trainer for START Breaks and lunch will be provided. Normally \$70 per person, the class is offered to paid attendees of the conference at no additional charge. Attendance will be limited to the first 25 people to register. You must register in advance and you will be charged a NO SHOW fee of \$25 for non attendance. All attendees to the class will receive a copy of the DVD, a Learner's Guide and Instructor's Guide.</p>
<p>For START class participants:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I understand that if I register for the START Train-the-Trainer class and do not show up for the training, my agency will be charged a \$25 No Show fee.</p> <p>Signature _____</p>	<p>For SKI Outing Participants</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> lift ticket (\$38.25) <input type="checkbox"/> skis/boots/poles - can provide your own(\$18.80) <input type="checkbox"/> helmet - optional (\$8.00)</p> <p>Total enclosed is \$ _____ (Make checks payable to South West Transit Association) for the ski outing. You will be registered for the ski outing only when payment is received.</p>

Please mail or fax registration form to: SWTA, PO Box 153157, Austin, TX 78715; FAX 512-237-9713