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Rua de Ai Meti Laran, Comoro, Dom Aleixo, Dili

JOB PROFILE

Driver (car, taxi, microlet)

Motorista (kareta, táxi, mikrolete)

Transport & logistics · ISCO-08 8322

Drivers drive cars, taxis, vans and microlets to carry passengers, goods and mail. They choose the route, keep passengers safe and look after the vehicle. Drivers belong to the plant and machine operators group, which is one in ten workers in Timor-Leste.

TRAIN IN TIMOR	**No national course listed** The published list is incomplete
COURSE LENGTH	**To confirm** No published source yet
IN TIMOR	**To confirm** No demand data for drivers yet
ABROAD	**No official programme yet** Australia: any job with an offer
PAY IN TIMOR	**US$217 / month** Average for all plant & machine operators in Timor-Leste, not this job alone (Labour Force Survey 2021)

WHAT YOU DO

Drive: Drive cars, taxis, vans or microlets; Choose the best and safest route; Follow traffic rules and signs.

Look after passengers: Help passengers in and out, and with bags; Keep passengers safe on the road; Collect fares or check papers.

Deliver goods: Load and unload goods and mail; Deliver to the right place on time; Get a signature or receipt.

Care for the vehicle: Check fuel, oil, water and tyres; Keep the vehicle clean; Report faults and accidents.

Based on the ILO description of ISCO-08 unit group 8322, Car, taxi and van drivers.

WHERE YOU WORK

Taxis & microlets (Carrying passengers around town); Companies & NGOs (Driving staff and visitors); Hotels & tourism (Airport runs and tours); Shops & deliveries (Vans carrying goods).

You sit for long hours, in traffic, heat and rain, and on rough roads outside Dili. Hours can be early, late and at weekends.

The 2022 Census counted 7,547 people working in transport and storage, and 7,271 of them were men.

IS IT FOR ME?

You are good at: Staying calm in traffic, Knowing the roads, Being on time, Being polite with people, Staying alert for long hours.

You like: Driving, Meeting new people, Being on the move, Working on your own.

English helps if you drive visitors or work for hotels and NGOs.

TRAIN FOR IT IN TIMOR-LESTE

- **Driving licence** · How to get a licence and which class you need: to confirm.
- **No national certificate listed yet** · The published list of INDMO titles has no driving course, and that list is incomplete.

Licence rules, driving schools and costs: to confirm. The directory never shows a number without a source.

WHERE IT LEADS

- **Motorcycle driver or courier** · Two wheels (ISCO 8321)
- **Driver** · Car, taxi, van or microlet
- **Truck or bus driver** · Bigger vehicles (ISCO 8331, 8332). Licence rules to confirm.
- **Your own taxi, microlet or transport business** · Startups of Timor helps you start one

WORK ABROAD, SAFELY

- **Australia: Pacific Engagement Visa** · There is no official programme that sends Timorese drivers abroad yet. Australia's Pacific Engagement Visa allows any occupation, but you need a job offer first.

Never pay a fixer. Join only through SEFOPE, the Timor-Leste government office for work abroad. No one can sell you a place, and a real overseas job never asks you for a recruitment fee.

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