



VTP396 Refrigerant Handling Licence – Automotive Air Conditioning

DESCRIPTION

This course reflects the role of individuals who perform various tasks relating to servicing and repairing air conditioning components and systems of cars and heavy vehicles in an automotive service and repair business.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Licensing and /or legal requirements – Trainee Classroom Licence:

Trainee License available from www.arctick.org. CL000 - Refrigeration and air conditioning trainee license (Classroom) To handle refrigerant in a classroom setting only. The licensee cannot handle refrigerant outside the classroom setting. This license is valid for a period of training, which can be up to 1 year.

A Language, Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy (LLND) evaluation helps identify any areas where you may need additional support to help you achieve your goals.

To gain entry into VTP396 Refrigerant Handling Licence – Automotive Air Conditioning, candidates require a relevant trade qualification:

- AUR30320 Certificate III in Automotive Electrical Technology (*previous AUR30316 or AUR30312*)
- AUR30620 Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology (*previous AUR30616 or AUR30612*)
- AUR31120 Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Mechanical Technology (*previous AUR31116, AUR31114 or AUR31112*)
- AUR31220 Certificate III in Mobile Plant Technology (*previous AUR31216 or AUR31212*)
- AUR32120 Certificate III in Automotive Body Repair Technology

DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Casuarina, Alice Springs, Remote
Duration*	Three (3) days
Study mode ^^	Training takes place at CDU in classrooms and a simulated automotive workshop. Students complete the theoretical knowledge learning online before the practical schedule begins. Practical training activities are conducted in a simulated workshop, utilising vehicles and training simulators. The students will be required to complete practical tasks, which include listing faults and their rectifications, demonstrating acquired skills, and performing routine tasks.



* Duration may vary depending on how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.

^ Course timetable will be provided on application for the course.

^^ Information relating to study modes can be found in the 2026 TAFE Student Guide

FEES

Fee Type	2026 Course Fees
NT Government Supported*	\$231.00
Full Fee	\$1,027.80

*This course is supported by the NT Government for domestic [eligible](#) students who are NT residents. A limited number of NT Government supported places are available, so secure your place now.

Fees shown are indicative and subject to change annually. Actual course fees may vary depending on the units chosen. For International non-student visa-holders; study eligibility needs to be verified before enrolment. Fees may vary depending on the visa type. The course fee rates will vary for commercial contract arrangements.

For further clarification and information on fees, fee exemptions, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to [TAFE Fees and Payments](#)

ASSESSMENT

Skills and knowledge assessments are an essential step in progressing through your course. You may be assessed in a number of ways including written assessment, questioning, portfolios, work samples, direct observation, practical assessments and third-party feedback.

Throughout your course you will receive information about assessments including how, when and where assessments will be conducted.

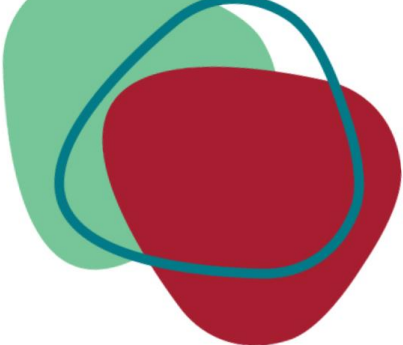
RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you've gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, [VET RPL](#).

CREDIT TRANSFER (CT)

Charles Darwin University as a Registered Training Organisation recognises the Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications and Statement of Attainments issued by any other Australian Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Students are encouraged to submit any requests for credit from previous studies at the time of enrolment, to ensure they are not enrolling in units they may not need to undertake.



RESOURCES

Students will have 24/7 access to assessments and learning resources on Learnline, CDU's online learning platform. Before you can start using Learnline, you'll need to make sure that your computer has the correct setup. For more details: <https://www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/services/learnline>

Students will need to wear work clothing suited to the automotive industry, such as

- Steel cap boots
- Safety glasses
- Protective clothing

Also, students will require a calculator, a pen and paper.

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

The completion of this course enables an individual to apply for an AAC02 - Refrigerant Handling Licence - Qualified Persons (Automotive Air conditioning Licence). Users are advised that the scope of the licence will be contingent on the unit of competency selection. This licence is governed by the Australian Refrigeration Council, which should be contacted for further information.

PROGRAM CONTENT

This training program covers two (02) units of competency taken from the AUR Automotive Retail, Service and Repair Training Package, which is recognised nationwide.

UNITS

AURETU103	Service air conditioning and HVAC systems
AURETU104	Diagnose and repair air conditioning and HVAC systems

WITHDRAWING FROM A PROGRAM

You may withdraw from this program and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The University provides support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Financial Support Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at [Student Support - Life, Health and Wellbeing](#)



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For further information regarding student life at CDU, please refer to <https://www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life>.