



The Mobile Robot Company

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Operator Training

The J1600 is built so that an existing electric-pallet-jack operator needs about **30 minutes of training** to use it. No code, no configuration screens — operation happens through the tiller and a [15-inch multi-touch display](https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/technical-reference/interface-specifications/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/technical-reference/interface-specifications/>).

What an operator learns

- [driving manually with the tiller](https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/manual-operation/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/manual-operation/>), which handles like a conventional walk-behind electric pallet jack;
- [saving locations](https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/getting-started/saving-the-first-location/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/getting-started/saving-the-first-location/>) by driving to a point and tapping **Save location**;
- creating tasks: choosing a destination and what the robot does after the drop;
- [confirming autonomous mode](https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/autonomous-operation/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/autonomous-operation/>) with the physical start/resume button and stepping clear;
- taking over at any time by grabbing the tiller, and using the stop controls.

At [demonstrations](https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/request-a-demonstration/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/request-a-demonstration/>), a first-time user is typically able to send the robot on an autonomous task within roughly 15 minutes. See the [J1600 overview](https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/j1600/overview/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/j1600/overview/>) for the full workflow.

Self-paced learning

An operator tutorial is available on the device itself and online. Short video walk-throughs cover the most common procedures — see [Training videos](https://info.mobilerobot.com/support/training/training-videos/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/support/training/training-videos/>).

Training during commissioning

If you purchase the [installation and commissioning package](https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/installation-and-commissioning/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/installation-and-commissioning/>), operator training is built

into the five-day program:

- **Day 2:** group training for all operators, plus individual hands-on practice for up to six operators.
- **Days 3–4:** additional operator training as needed, alongside performance monitoring and on-site support.

Training during a trial

A [two-week paid trial](https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/two-week-trial/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/buying-and-deployment/two-week-trial/>) includes one full day of on-site deployment and training support, so trial operators start with the same fundamentals.

Safety expectations

[Operators keep specific responsibilities](https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/operator-manual/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/documentation/user-guides/operator-manual/>) in a [dual-mode](https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/j1600/dual-mode/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/products/j1600/dual-mode/>) vehicle: judging loads, confirming the mode change, and stepping clear before autonomous travel. See [How J1600 safety works](https://info.mobilerobot.com/safety-compliance/safety-overview/how-j1600-safety-works/) (<https://info.mobilerobot.com/safety-compliance/safety-overview/how-j1600-safety-works/>).