

# DONTE STAVES

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## Professional Summary

Motivated and disciplined professional with U.S. Army experience as a Cargo Specialist (88H), bringing a strong background in logistics operations, load planning, Central Receiving and Shipping Point (CRSP) yard management, and transportation safety. Proven ability to work efficiently in high-tempo environments while leading and supporting teams to accomplish mission-critical tasks. Known for reliability, attention to detail, and strong work ethic developed through military service and competitive athletics. Completed formal training at the U.S. Army Transportation School and foundational studies in criminal justice in high school. Currently advancing technical expertise as a cybersecurity student, combining hands-on problem-solving skills with emerging knowledge in information security. Dedicated to applying a blend of logistical, technical, and security-focused skills to support organizational goals.

## Skills

- Regulatory compliance in hazardous materials transportation
- Risk assessment and mitigation in cargo transit
- Strong verbal and written communication
- Efficient loading and unloading procedures
- Military cargo logistics and troop supply coordination
- Cross-functional team collaboration
- Critical thinking in high-stakes logistics environments
- Attention to safety protocols and SOPs
- Load securing and packaging techniques
- Conflict resolution and problem-solving under pressure
- Time management and deadline adherence
- Heavy machinery and specialized cargo equipment operation

## Work History

**Cargo Specialist** - August, 2019 to August, 2025

*U.S. Army - Newport News, VA*

- Ensured a safe work environment.
- Mentored junior staff on proper cargo handling.
- Load securement and safety procedures
- Cargo handling and distribution
- Inventory management
- Load planning and load sequencing
- Forklift operation / Material Handling Equipment (MHE)
- Shipping and receiving
- Container operation (loading, securing, inspecting)

## Education

**Transportation and Materials Moving - Cargo Specialist Course** - 2020

*U.S. Army Transportation School - Newport News, VA*

- Training included cargo documentation, load securement, material equipment operations, port and terminal operations, and transportation safety procedures.

**High School** - 2018

*Highland Springs High School - Highland Springs, VA*

- GPA: 3.8
- Advanced Coursework: Criminal Justice (Advanced Career Education Center)
- Activities: Track and Field, Cross Country

# Certifications

- Cargo Specialist Course (MOS 88H), U.S. Army Transportation School
- Operational Security (OPSEC) - U.S. Army
- Information Security Awareness Training - U.S. Army
- Records Management Training - U.S. Army