

Administrative Procedure 4970

FLEET VEHICLE USE

Responsibility: Coordinating Superintendent, Business Services & Treasurer of the Board

Legal References: Occupational Health and Safety Act

Highway Traffic Act Criminal Code

Related References: Board Policy 1002 Occupational Health and Safety

Board Policy 4006 Parking on School Board Properties

Board Policy 6001 Code of Conduct

Administrative Procedure 3760: Staff Discipline

VEH-21-04 - Vehicle Use Agreement

VEH-19-02 - Commute Vehicle Use Agreement

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1. Preamble

- 1.1 The Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB) owns and maintains a wide range of Fleet Vehicles to carry out the business of the board. The following provides guidelines and expectations pertaining to the use of Fleet Vehicles.
- 1.2 Operators of WRDSB fleet vehicles are readily viewed by the public and as such are 'ambassadors' for the WRDSB. With this in mind, this procedure is intended to articulate acceptable and unacceptable uses of WRDSB fleet vehicles. It is further intended to provide a mechanism that should unfortunate events occur during the use of a WRDSB fleet vehicle or non- WRDSB owned fleet vehicle that impact an operator's license that proactive steps can be taken to mitigate risk to the operator and the WRDSB (for example, driver training programs or if applicable, progressive discipline in accordance with applicable collective agreements).

2. General

2.1 Fleet vehicles are provided to Employees, who based on the specific job requirements; regularly carry tools and supplies to a number of School sites. This generally applies to Maintenance and/or Trades in the Facility Services Department as well as Technicians in Information Technology Services Department.

3. Requirements for Eligibility to Operate WRDSB Fleet Vehicles

- 3.1 These requirements are pre-requisites to be eligible for use and operation of Fleet Vehicles:
 - 3.1.1 Valid Class G or higher license;
 - 3.1.2 No impaired driving within three years;
 - 3.1.3 No careless or dangerous driving within three years;
 - 3.1.4 No suspended license within three years:
 - 3.1.5 No possession or use of illegal drugs;
 - 3.1.6 No medical restrictions that preclude the operation of a vehicle;
 - 3.1.7 Acceptance of a 3 Year Driver Record Search by the WRDSB (3 Year Abstract);
 - 3.1.8 Acceptance of the Fleet Vehicle Use Agreement (complete VEH-21-04 and submit to supervisor).

4. Acceptable Fleet Vehicle Use

- 4.1 WRDSB vehicles are for use within the Regional Municipality of Waterloo geographical area only (unless explicitly approved by the Controller, Facility Services)
- 4.2 WRDSB vehicles are for use to carry out business of the WRDSB.

5. Commute Use of Fleet Vehicles

- 5.1 Facility Services Department Employees are authorized to commute to and from work in WRDSB Fleet vehicles provided the Employee:
 - 5.1.1 Is eligible to operate a Fleet Vehicle;
 - 5.1.2 Lives within the Waterloo Region (unless explicitly approved by the Controller, Facility Services);
 - 5.1.3 Can legally accommodate the parking needs of a Fleet Vehicle;
 - 5.1.4 Has agreed to participate in the Fleet Vehicle Commute Use Agreement; and,
 - 5.1.5 Has completed the associated documentation (complete VEH-19-02 and submit to supervisor).

6. Prohibited Use of Fleet Vehicles

- 6.1 The following uses of Fleet Vehicles are strictly prohibited and failure to comply will result in disciplinary action in accordance with the applicable Collective Agreement:
 - 6.1.1 Unauthorized transport of non- WRDSB employees in a WRDSB vehicle;
 - 6.1.2 Failure to promptly report an accident;
 - 6.1.3 Unauthorized use of a WRDSB vehicle;
 - 6.1.4 Violation of the Highway Traffic Act;
 - 6.1.5 Violation of region and/or municipal by-laws related to vehicle use;
 - 6.1.6 Personal use outside of prescribed working hours; or,
 - 6.1.7 Violation of this procedure.

NOTE: Traffic (moving or parking for example) violations will be at the Employee's expense.

7. Incidental Personal Use

- 7.1 Personal use of a WRDSB vehicle is prohibited.
- 7.2 Incidental personal use is authorized only in situations where a stop may be made en-route to or from a work site and outside of prescribed work hours.

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