

School Bus Maintenance

District-owned and operated buses will be constructed, equipped and inspected in accordance with Oregon law and administrative rules and requirements adopted by the State Board of Education. Buses will be maintained in safe operating conditions through a sound preventive maintenance program.

1. Each driver will make pre-trip inspections, including checking lights, brakes and tires. Oil, water and batteries will be inspected at frequent intervals and prior to out-of-district runs.
2. Each driver will make a written report regarding any mechanical defects as soon as defects are discovered.
3. Defects will be corrected, the driver notified, and a written report submitted as soon as possible.
4. A thorough inspection will be conducted and inspection results will be reported each time the vehicle is serviced. Vehicles will be serviced according to factory specifications and recommendations.
5. All buses will be thoroughly inspected both at the beginning and end of each school year. Written reports of each inspection will be submitted.
6. All buses will have stop signal arms mounted in accordance with state law and rules.

Adequate maintenance and storage facilities will be provided for all equipment.

Adequate mechanical services with trained personnel will be available at the school plant or through contracted services.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 811.210
ORS 815.055
ORS 815.080
ORS 820.100 - 820.190

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OAR 581-022-1420

OAR 581-053-0002 to -0015
OAR 581-053-0512 to -0550
OAR 735-102-0010