

Passenger Van Agreement

Purpose

On April 9, 2001, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) issued a "Consumer Advisory" warning the users of 15-passenger vans that, under certain load conditions, these vehicles have an increased risk of rollover. The study indicates that as the number of passengers in a 12 or 15-passenger van increases so does its center of gravity, thereby increasing the possibility of rollover in single vehicle accidents. The following policy is intended to minimize the threat of personal injury and provide guidelines on the use of these vehicles. This policy applies to the use of vans for University or State business, including those vans owned by the University, rented or leased from rental companies, or personally owned or borrowed. Violation of this policy may expose occupants of the vehicle to personal injury and property damage as well as disciplinary action. Additionally, anyone who violates this policy will be deemed utilizing a vehicle outside of the indemnification from the University.

Policy

This policy will apply to all Colorado State University campuses.

1. Vans may not be used by Colorado State University faculty, staff, students, volunteers, etc... for transporting more than 12 people on University or State business. This policy applies to all vans including, but not limited to, those owned, borrowed, rented or leased.
2. The driver(s) must have successfully completed the training as required by the University.
3. Individuals using such vans within the guideline must abide by all traffic laws including using seat belts at all times. They are to refrain from excessive loading of the vehicle and no loading is permitted on the roof of the vehicle.

Training

The training required will consist of carefully reading the above policy, the Transportation Services vehicle use policy and viewing a video segment that will familiarize you with the potential hazards associated with the operation of this particular type of vehicle. This is located at: If you clearly understand the hazards involved and thereby safely operate the vehicle, please print this page, read and sign the agreement below. You must present the agreement at the time of renting the van from Transportation Services. If you have any further questions upon completion of this training, please contact Transportation Services at 491-0016.

Agreement

I have completed the required training and clearly understand the University policy as noted. I hereby agree to operate the vehicle in accordance with University policy.

Name _____ Signature _____

CSU ID # _____ Date _____