

## 15-Passenger Vans

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students, faculty, staff, and guests have received  
Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) h  
increased with 10 or more people riding in a  
safety requirements for driving 15 passenger v  
personnel

### II. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

A. (TSUS) Rules and Regulations for TSUS Driver Authorization Policy; Texas Education Code, Title  
3, Higher Education; Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, Education and Texas  
Transportation Code

### III. GENERAL

A. All drivers must meet the requirements stated in the TSUS Driver Authorization Policy under  
Driver Qualifications and 15

- V. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR PASSENGER VANS Departments utilizing 15-passenger vans must enforce the following requirements or utilize alternative forms of transportation:
- A. Experienced Drivers Drivers of 15-passenger vans must be at least the age of 25. No student may drive 15-passenger vans, including student athletes.
  - B. Training– All operators of 15-passenger vans are required to participate in training arranged by the LU Office of EHS & Risk Management. Training courses will need to be scheduled well in advance. Any costs will be the responsibility of the driver's department.
  - C. Tire Inspection Prior to each trip, the tires must be inspected to assure they are properly inflated and not worn. Maintenance, repair, or replacement of tires must be carried out prior to any trip if the inspection shows any issues.
  - D. Cellphones- The van driver shall not use a cellphone while operating a vehicle, including hands free operation.
  - E. Number of Occupants The number of occupants in a 15-passenger van shall not exceed ten people, including the driver and 5

