

EUT POLICY ON TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Employee Requirements, Training and Responsibilities

In accordance with and authorized by **Transportation 10.50.20 Reimbursement for privately-owned motor vehicle use**, the EUT will pay private vehicle mileage reimbursement for one private motor vehicle used to carry workshop participants to and from a specified location provided there are a minimum of three persons carpooling to the function. In situations where there are less than three participants, prior approval must be given by the local administrator. Travelers should check with the local administrator before planning travel arrangements if they will be submitting a vendor form for reimbursement.

Effective 9/27/10

Reference: State Administrative & Accounting Manual, 1/2/2007

Summary of For-Hire Insurance Requirements

The Secretary of State may not register any motor vehicle for rent, lease, hire or livery and a person may not operate a motor vehicle on any public way in Maine until the owner or owners of that vehicle procure insurance or bond covering the operation of that vehicle by:

- A. Presenting a valid and sufficient insurance policy from:
 - 1. an insurance company authorized by the Superintendent of Insurance to transact business in this State; or
 - 2. with the approval of the Secretary of State, an insurance company authorized to transact business in any state that provides an indemnity bond bonding the insurance company in an amount the Secretary of State prescribes and having as surety company authorized by the Superintendent of Insurance to transact business in this State;
- B. Presenting a good and sufficient indemnity bond, approved by the Secretary of State, bonding the applicant in an amount the Secretary of State prescribes and having as surety 2 responsible individuals or a surety company authorized to transact business in this State; or
- C. Presenting a declaratory judgment issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration authorizing the owner to self-insure.

Maintenance of Insurance

The owner or owners of any vehicle subject to this section shall maintain at all times the required amount of insurance or bond during the term of the vehicle's registration. For vehicles registered in this State, the Secretary of State shall immediately suspend or revoke, pursuant to Title 29-A MRSA Chapter 23, the registration certificate and registration plates of any vehicle for which the insurance or bond in the amounts required is not maintained. Any person whose registration certificate and registration plates have been suspended or revoked pursuant to this section shall immediately return the registration certificate and registration plates to the Secretary of State.

(For passenger carriers operating for hire, the Secretary of State may not approve the policy or bond unless it provides primary coverage for the operator as well as the owner.) Effective 1/1/96.

Exemptions

All vehicles owned by the State, a municipality or school district are exempt from the insurance requirements established in this section.

Intrastate Operators

Evidence of appropriate insurance must be filed with the Secretary of State and signed by an authorized representative of the company certifying that coverage exists. Cancellation of a policy on file with the Secretary of State shall not take effect until thirty days after a notice of cancellation on a Form K is received by the Operating Authority Unit.

In the event that the carrier has obtained a policy from another insurance company, and such insurance becomes effective prior to the effective date or said 30 days, cancellation shall be effective as of the effective date of such other insurance.

Insurance forms required to be used when applicable for **intrastate for hire passenger or rental service**:

Form JB - State of Maine insurance certificate for hire passenger vehicles.

Form K - Uniform notice of cancellation of Motor Carrier Insurance Policies.

Intrastate For-Hire Minimum Requirements (As of January 1, 1995)			
Any	1-3 passengers	behind driver's seat	\$125,000 CSL \$50/\$100/ \$25
Any	4-7 passengers	behind driver's seat	\$300,000 CSL
Any	8-15 passengers	behind driver's seat	\$750,000 CSL
School Bus	up to 30 passengers	behind driver's seat	\$500,000 CSL
School Bus	31 or more passengers	behind driver's seat	\$1,000,000 CSL
Commercial Bus	16-30 passengers	behind driver's seat	\$1,500,000 CSL
Commercial Bus	31 or more passengers	behind driver's seat	\$2,000,000 CSL
Transit Bus	Any	behind driver's seat	\$400,000 CSL

Additional Requirements	
Ambulances	\$350,000 CSL
Any Rental Vehicles (30 days or less)	\$50/\$100/\$25
Property Carriers	\$350,000 CSL

<http://www.maine.gov/sos/bmv/commercial/operatingauth.html>

