

California Vanpool Authority

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To Whom It Concerns;

This vanpool meets the definition for a vanpool vehicle as stated in Section 668 of the California Vehicle Code.

A "vanpool vehicle" is any motor vehicle, other than a motortruck or tractor, designed for carrying more than 10 but not more than 15 persons including the driver, which is maintained and used primarily for the nonprofit work-related transportation of adults for the purpose of ridesharing.

This vehicle is not a Farm Labor Vehicle. Per Section 322 (c) (2), it is being operated under specific authority granted to a transit system by an authorized city or county agency.

The driver of this vanpool has signed an agreement with California Vanpool Authority to operate this vanpool in a nonprofit manner. The driver has a Class C license, carries proof of a Class B medical, and maintains in the vehicle a signed statement or declaration per Section 12804.9, j.

Drivers of vanpool vehicles may operate with class C license but shall possess evidence of a medical examination required for a class B license when operating vanpool vehicles. In order to be eligible to drive the vanpool, the driver shall keep in the vanpool vehicle a statement, signed under the penalty of perjury, that he or she has not been convicted of reckless driving, drunk driving, or hit-and-run offense in the past five years.

This vehicle is maintained and serviced so as to meet the requirements found in AB 550 and Section 34509, a through e, of the Vehicle Code.

Vanpool vehicles, as defined in Section 668, and vanpool vehicles when used for purposes other than traveling to and from work location and transporting not more than 10 persons not including the driver, shall be exempt from the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 34501, except that the following shall apply:

- (a) The vanpool shall be equipped with an operable fire extinguisher which is of the dry chemical or carbon dioxide type and an aggregate rating of at least 4-B:C and which is securely mounted and readily accessible.
- (b) The vanpool vehicle shall be equipped with a first aid kit, conforming to the minimum requirements for school buses. First aid kits shall be readily visible, accessible, and plainly marked "First Aid Kit."
- (c) The vanpool vehicle shall be regularly and systematically inspected, maintained, and lubricated in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, or more often if necessary to ensure the safe operating condition of the vehicle. The maintenance shall include, as a minimum, an in-depth inspection of the vehicle's brake system, steering components, lighting system, and wheels and tires, to be performed at intervals of not more than every six months or 6,000 miles, whichever occurs first.
- (d) Operators of vanpools shall document each systematic inspection, maintenance, and lubrication, and repair performed for each vehicle under their control. Required records shall include services performed, the person performing the service, the date, and the mileage on the vehicle at the time of the repair. The record shall be maintained with the vehicle for one year, and shall be presented upon demand to any authorized representative of the California Highway Patrol.
- (e) Vanpool vehicles being operated pursuant to the exceptions specified in this section shall display, upon the rear and sides of the vehicle, a sign or placard, clearly visible and discernable for a distance of not less than 50 feet, indicating that the vehicle is being used as a vanpool vehicle.

Detail maintenance and repair records are maintained and available at the office of California Vanpool Authority. A summary of routine maintenance and inspections is kept in the vehicle.

This vehicle, driver and its occupants are covered by a \$10,000,000 insurance policy number PHPK311727, issued by:

Philadelphia Indemnity Co. / Mackey & Mackey Insurance Co., Attn: Jim Mackey, 450 Kings County Dr., Hanford, CA 93230

For question concerning the operation of this vanpool contact Ronald Hughes, Executive Director for California Vanpool Authority.