

CHAPTER 10
SCHOOL BUS TERMINAL INSPECTION
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SCHOOL BUS TERMINAL INSPECTION

1. GENERAL. This chapter addresses school bus terminal inspection training procedures. This training category does not repeat the Bus Terminal Inspection chapter (Chapter 9), but addresses specifics as they pertain to school bus terminals.

2. CLASSROOM TRAINING.

a. Prior to conducting hands-on school bus terminal inspections, the MCSTO shall do the following:

(1) Direct the trainee to review the following references. Adequate time should be provided for completion of this segment of training.

(a) Authorities.

1 Authority to regulate the operation of school buses (34500 VC).

2 Authority to adopt and enforce school bus equipment, maintenance, construction, design, color and operation requirements (34501.5 and 34508 VC).

3 Authority to inspect school buses annually (2807(a) VC).

(b) Policies and Procedures.

1 Policy (HPM 84.1, Chapter 1).

2 Inspection Procedures and Reports (HPM 84.1, Chapter 2).

3 Field Activity Reporting (HPM 84.1, Chapter 3).

4 School Bus Inspection (HPM 84.1, Chapter 5).

5 Title 13 and FMVSS Enforcement Checklist (HPM 84.1, Annex F).

6 Vehicle Code and California Code of Regulations References (HPM 84.1, Annex A).

(c) Vehicle Code (VC).

1 Division 1. Words and Phrases Defined.

- a 492 VC - Private School.
 - b 545 VC - Schoolbus (School Bus).
 - c 545.1 VC - Schoolbus Exception.
 - d 545.5 VC - Schoolbus: Exception: Coach Bus.
- 2 Division 2. Administration.
 - a 1808.1 VC - Employer Notification (Pull Notice Program).

(d) California Code of Regulations, Title 13 (13 CCR), Division 2.

- 1 Chapter 6.5, Article 1. Definitions and General Provisions.
 - a Section 1200 - Scope.
 - b Section 1201 - Definitions.
 - c Section 1202 - General Provisions.
- 2 Chapter 6.5, Article 3. General Driving Requirements.
 - a Section 1212 - Drivers' Hours of Service.
 - b Section 1212.5 - Maximum Driving and On-Duty Time.
 - c Section 1213 - Driver's Record of Duty Status.
 - d Section 1215 - Vehicle Condition.
 - 1/ (a) - Daily Inspection.
 - 2/ (c) - Repairs.
 - e Section 1217 - Transportation of Passengers.
 - 1/ (a) - Seating Capacity.
 - 2/ (l) - Ejection of Pupils.
 - 3/ (j) - Exemptions.
- 3 Chapter 6.5, Article 4. Additional Requirements for School Bus, SPAB, and Youth Bus Drivers.

- a Section 1219 - School Bus Accidents.
- b Section 1220 - Discontinuance from Use.
- c Section 1221 - Alcoholic Beverages.
- d Section 1222 - Smoking.
- e Section 1.223 - Driver's Vision.
- f Section 1224 - Seat Belt Use.

4 Chapter 6.5, Article 5. Additional Requirements for School Bus Drivers.

- a Section 1225 - Headlamps.
- b Section 1226 - Leaving Driver's Compartment.
- c Section 1228 - Railroad Crossing.

5 Chapter 6.5, Article 6. Carrier Requirements.

- a Section 1229 - Driving Proficiency.
- b Section 1231 - Vehicle Inspection Approval Certificate.
- c Section 1232 - Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance.
 - 1/ (b) - Periodic Preventive Maintenance Inspection.
- d Section 1233 - Safety Compliance Ratings.
- e Section 1234 - Required Records for Motor Carriers.
 - 1/ (c) - Driver's Records.
- f Section 1235 - Towing Other Vehicles.

6 Chapter 6.5, Article 7. Additional Requirements for School Bus, SPAB, and Youth Bus Carriers.

- a Section 1236 - Reporting Drivers Status.
- b Section 1237 - Reporting of Accidents.
- c Section 1238 - School Bus Stops.

7 Chapter 6.5, Article 8. General Equipment Requirements.

a Section 1242 - Fire Extinguishers.

1/ (f) - School Bus Fire Extinguishers.

b Section 1242.5 - Liquid Burning Flares, Fuses, Oil Lanterns, etc.

c Section 1243 - First Aid Kits.

d Section 1244 - Tires, Rims, and Wheels.

1/ (c) - School Bus Tires and Rims.

e Section 1246 - Brakes - School Buses and Farm Labor Vehicles.

f Section 1250 - School Bus Wiring.

g Section 1255 - Fuel Tanks and Fuel Lines.

h Section 1256.5 - School Bus Color and Signs.

i Section 1258 - Mirrors on School Buses.

j Section 1259 - Heaters and Defrosters.

1/ (b) - School Buses.

k Section 1260 - Ventilation.

1/ (b) - School Buses.

l Section 1261 - Exhaust Systems.

1/ (j) - School Buses.

m Section 1262 - Speedometer and Odometer.

n Section 1266 - Drive Shaft Protection.

1/ (a) - School Buses.

o Section 1270 - Seats.

1/ (a) - Bus Driver's Seat.

8 Chapter 6.5, Article 9. Additional Equipment Requirements for School Buses.

- a Section 1271 - Data Required by Federal Standards.
- b Section 1272 - Data Display and Chassis Certification.
- c Section 1273 - School Bus Bodies.
- d Section 1274 - Used or Changed School Bus.
- e Section 1275 - Chassis Mounting.
- f Section 1276 - School Bus Weight Limits.
- g Section 1277 - Power or Grade Ability.
- h Section 1277.1 - Starter Interlock.
- i Section 1278 - Pupils' Seats..
- j Section 1279 - Aisles.
- k Section 1280 - Steps.
- l Section 1281 - Doors.
- m Section 1281.1 - Door Warning Devices.
- n Section 1282 - Emergency Exits Type 1 School Buses.
- o Section 1283 = Emergency Exits Type 2 School Buses.
- p Section 1284 - Emergency Exits-All School Buses.
- q Section 1285 - Windows-Type 1 School Bus.
- r Section 1286 - Windows-Type 2 School Bus.
- s Section 1287 - Glazing Material.
- t Section 1288 - Turn Signal System.
- u Section 1288.1 - Warning Lamp Hoods.

- v Section 1289 - Wheel Clearance.
- w Section 1290 - Bumpers.
- x Section 1291 - Steering Components.
- y Section 1292 - Roadside Warning Devices.
- z Section 1293 - Wheelchair School Buses.

- b. Discuss the referenced material with the trainees.
- c. Schedule inspections consistent with this training category.
- d. Review carrier profiles with the trainees.
- e. Review carrier and industry operating practices with the trainees.
- f. Review terminal entry and exit procedures with the trainees.
- g. Review environmental and occupational safety precautions pertinent to this training category.

3. FIELD HANDS-ON TRAINING.

- a. Field training shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 7.
- b. Training must include:
 - (1) Private, public, and contract school bus carriers.
 - (2) Annual inspection of Type 1 and Type 2, and wheelchair school buses of various makes, models, sizes, and ages.
 - (3) Initial certifications of Type 1 and Type 2, and wheelchair school buses.