

**MV-1S, “School Bus/School Vehicle Use Application”
Form Completion Instructions**

1. Check the appropriate block that indicates if this is for a School Bus or a School Vehicle and if this is a new application or a transfer of plate application. Complete the designated section for the type of vehicle/application you indicate.
2. Section A – Applicant Information
 - a. Provide the vehicle title number, Vehicle Identification Number and your name.
3. Section B – Vehicle Use
 - a. Check the appropriate answer to each of the questions listed.
4. Section C- Seating Capacity
 - a. List the seating capacity for the appropriate type of vehicle where indicated. NOTE: The seating capacity is based on the vehicle’s original design. The removal of seats does NOT alter the original seating capacity design.
5. Section D – Signature
 - a. Please sign and date where indicated.

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Bureau of Motor Vehicles
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**SCHOOL BUS/SCHOOL VEHICLE
USE APPLICATION**

For Department Use Only

This application must be used with an MV-1 or MV-4ST

School Bus

- New** - Complete Sections A, B, C and D.
- Transfer of Plate** - Complete Sections A, B, C and D

School Vehicle

- New** - Complete Sections A, B, C and D.
- Transfer of Plate** - Complete Sections A, B, C and D.

A Title Number	VIN	Applicant Name
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B VEHICLE USE

Is the vehicle intended to be used for the transportation of preprimary, primary or secondary school students to or from public, private or parochial schools or events related to such schools or school-related activities?
 Yes No Describe in detail the intended use of the vehicle _____

Do you intend to charge fees when this bus/vehicle is used? Yes No

Will the vehicle have charter, group and party rights under PUC regulations? Yes No

Will this vehicle be registered to a school district or private or parochial school? Yes No

Is the registrant of this vehicle under contract with a school district or private or parochial school?
 Yes No

Is this vehicle certified to meet the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for a multi-purpose passenger vehicle (MPV) or a passenger car? Yes No

C SEATING CAPACITY (NOTE: Seating capacity is based on the vehicle's original design. The removal of seats does not alter the original seating capacity design.)

School bus - seating capacity of 11 passenger or more, including the driver. List the number of passengers, including the driver. _____

School vehicle - seating capacity is no more than 10 passengers, including the driver. List the number of passengers, including the driver. _____ Example: 2 wheelchair positions + 1 passenger + 1 driver = 10 total seating capacity.

List the number of wheel chair accommodations. _____ NOTE: Each wheelchair accommodation is regarded as four designated seating positions. (School Vehicles can not have more than 2 wheelchair designated seats.)

D The signature below hereby certifies under penalty of law that the information contained herein is true and correct. WARNING: Falsification to authorities is a misdemeanor of the third degree punishable by a fine of up to \$2,500 and/or imprisonment up to 1 year (18 PA C.S. Section 4904 (b)).

Signature Date

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This vehicle qualifies as a School Bus.

This vehicle qualifies as a School Vehicle.

THIS APPLICATION MAY BE DUPLICATED

Messenger No.

INFORMATION

Definitions:

Multi-Purpose Passenger Vehicle: A motor vehicle with motive power, except a low-speed vehicle or trailer, designed to carry 10 persons or less which is constructed either on a truck chassis or with special features for occasional off-road operation.

School Bus: A motor vehicle which is designed to carry 11 passengers or more, including the driver; and is used for the transportation of preprimary, primary or secondary school students to or from public, private or parochial schools or events related to such schools or school-related activities. This term does not include a motor vehicle used to transport preprimary, primary or secondary school students to or from public, private or parochial schools or events related to such schools or school-related activities, which is designed to carry 11 to 15 passengers, including the driver, and which is registered in this Commonwealth as a bus prior to March 1, 1993, or a motor vehicle which is designed to carry 11 to 15 passengers, including the driver which was titled to any public, private or parochial school on or before March 1, 1993 and which is registered to that public, private or parochial school in this Commonwealth as a bus prior to September 15, 1993.

School Vehicle: A motor vehicle, except a motorcycle, designed for carrying no more than ten passengers, including the driver, and used for the transportation of preprimary, primary or secondary school students while registered by or under contract to a school district or private or parochial school. The term includes vehicles having chartered, group and party rights under the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and used exclusively for the transportation of school children.

NOTE: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the federal agency charged with enforcing school bus safety laws, has issued numerous warnings against the use of 11-15 passenger vans. NHTSA has reported at least 71 non-collision van rollovers causing approximately 126 fatalities. Those accidents included passenger and cargo vans.

Federal regulations do not prohibit the use of vans by schools, but require any van (originally designed to seat more than 10 passengers) sold or leased for use as a school bus to meet the safety standards applicable to school buses. A dealer selling a new 11-15 van to be used for school transportation must ensure that the van is certified as meeting all school bus Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.