

Vehicle Usage and Safety

15 Passenger Van Usage

Southwestern University has developed a proactive vehicle safety program. This program will help reduce the risk of operating 15 passenger vans (greater risk of a roll-over accident). It involves the following requirements prior to driving any 15 passenger van: driver license check, web-based van driver training, and following our safe driving instructions. All van drivers must have successfully completed the university's on-line Van Driving Safety Course along with demonstrating mastery of course material in a road test prior to receiving access to the vans. (NOTE: Contact Derek Timourian at x1965 to reserve a van or verify eligible drivers.)

If you drive any 15 passenger van (maximum of 11 passengers allowed):

1. Driver license record check
 - (Texas license required)
2. Complete van driver web-based safety training
 - (Alertdriving.com)
3. Complete hands-on van driving instruction
 - (experienced van drivers may be exempt)
4. Follow required safe driving instructions

Personal Vehicle Usage

- Get approved driver status from S.U. Police (drivers license check, bi-annual).

Follow safe driving instructions:

- Require driver and passengers to wear seat belts at all times while traveling.
- Driver responsibility to ensure prior to leaving for trip/return.
- Avoid significant driver distractions: shall not use a cell phone, eat, smoke, read map, apply makeup, etc.