

Private Motor Carriers of Passengers (PMCPs)

Private motor carriers of passengers (PMCPs) became subject to the FMCSRs on January 1, 1995. They are separated into two groups -- business or non-business.

Private Motor Carriers of Passengers (PMCPs): Business

Business PMCPs provide private transportation of passengers in the furtherance of a commercial purpose. Examples include companies that use buses to transport their own employees and professional musicians who use buses for concert tours. Commercial businesses that provide transportation to the general public are not business PMCPs.

The chart below summarizes the applicability of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to business private motor carriers of passengers (PMCPs).

PART	REGULATORY TOPIC	APPLICABLE
380	Special Training Requirements	Partial
382	Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing	Yes
383	Commercial Driver's License	Yes
387	Financial Responsibility (Insurance/Surety)	No
390	General Applicability and Definitions	Yes
391	Qualification of Drivers	Partial
392	Driving of Commercial Motor Vehicles	Yes
393	Parts and Accessories	Yes
395	Hours of Service of Drivers	Yes
396	Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance	Yes

Business PMCPs are not subject to:

- Minimum levels of financial responsibility
- Road test requirements of Part 391 if they meet the requirements of 391.69

Private Motor Carriers of Passengers (PMCPs): Non-business

Non-business PMCPs provide private transportation of passengers that is not in the furtherance of a commercial purpose. Examples of non-business PMCPs include churches, private schools, civic organization, scout groups, and other organizations that may purchase or lease buses for the private transportation of their respective groups.

The chart below summarizes the applicability of the FMCSRs to non-business private motor carriers of passengers.

PART	REGULATORY TOPIC	APPLICABLE
380	Special Training Requirements	Partial
382	Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing	Yes
383	Commercial Driver's License	Yes
387	Financial Responsibility (Insurance/Surety)	No
390	General Applicability and Definitions	Yes
391	Qualification of Drivers	Partial
392	Driving of Commercial Motor Vehicles	Yes
393	Parts and Accessories	Yes
395	Hours of Service of Drivers	Partial
396	Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance	Partial

Non-business PMCPs are not subject to:

- Minimum levels of financial responsibility
- Subpart C of Part 391
- Subpart D of Part 391
- Subpart F of Part 391
- Most paperwork and recordkeeping requirements of Parts 390, 391, 395, and 396