

School Bus Transportation

The chart below summarizes the applicability of the FMCSRs to school bus transportation.

Public School Transporting Students	Not Subject	Not Subject
Private School Transporting Pre-primary, Primary, and Secondary Students	Not Subject	Subject as Non-business PMCPs
Private School Transporting Post-Secondary Students	Subject as Non-business PMCPs	Subject as Non-business PMCPs
"For-hire" Contractors Transporting Pre-primary, Primary, and Secondary Students	Not Subject	Subject as "For-hire" Carriers
"For-hire" Contractors Transporting Post-secondary Students	Subject as "For-hire" Carriers	Subject as "For-hire" Carriers

Small Passenger Carriers

The FMCSA regulates for-hire carriers that transport 9 to 15 passengers in interstate commerce for compensation.

For-hire operators of vehicles designed or used to transport 9 to 15 passengers, including the driver, for compensation provided the vehicle is not being operated beyond a 75 air mile radius (86.3 statute miles) from the driver's normal work reporting location and provided the vehicle does not otherwise meet the definition of a commercial motor vehicle are subject to all of the safety regulations in Part 385 and Parts 390 through 396.

For-hire operators of vehicles designed or used to transport 9 to 15 passengers, including the driver, that are not directly compensated but operate within a 74 air-mile radius (86.3 statute miles), provided the vehicle does not otherwise meet the definition of a commercial motor vehicle, are subject to the Motor Carrier Identification Report (MCS-150) filing requirements of section 390.19, the commercial motor vehicle marking requirements of 390.21, and the accident register recordkeeping requirements of section 390.15.

APPLICABILITY OF MINIMUM FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ON PASSENGER CARRIER OPERATIONS

Regulations covering the minimum levels of financial responsibility (insurance) are found in 49 CFR Part 387, subpart B. These regulations are only applicable to for-hire carriers transporting passengers in interstate commerce.

For-hire Motor Carriers of Passengers

The chart below summarizes the applicability of the minimum levels of financial responsibility regulations to for-hire passenger carriers.

Vehicle	For-hire Passenger Carriers	Business PMCPs	Non-business PMCPs
Vehicle with a Seating Capacity of 16 or More	\$5,000,000 insurance required	Not Subject	Not Subject
Vehicle with a Seating Capacity of 15 or Less	\$1,500,000 insurance required	Not Subject	Not Subject