

SCHOOL OWNED VEHICLES

PURPOSE

The purpose of Policy EBBA is to establish a requirement that the Nantucket Public Schools purchase fuel efficient vehicles for school use whenever such vehicles are commercially available and practicable.

GUIDELINES

An annual vehicle inventory for all vehicles shall be maintained, and a plan for replacing any non-exempt vehicles with vehicles that meet, at a minimum, the fuel efficiency ratings contained in the most recent guidance for Criterion 4 published by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources' Green Communities Division shall be maintained.

The Nantucket Public Schools shall check the Green Communities Division's Guidance for Criterion 4 for updates prior to ordering replacement vehicles.

In addition, when replacing exempt vehicles, the function of the vehicle will be reviewed for potential replacement with a more fuel-efficient vehicle, including a fuel-efficient non-exempt vehicle.

This review shall be performed by the Superintendent, or his/her designee(s) requesting the replacement.

DEFINITIONS

Combined city and highway MPG (EPA Combined Fuel Economy): Combined Fuel Economy means the fuel economy from driving a combination of 43 percent city and 57 percent highway miles and is calculated as follows: $=1/((0.43/city\ MPG)+(0.57/highway\ MPG))$.

Drive System: The manner in which mechanical power is directly transmitted from the drive shaft to the wheels. The following codes are used to indicate Drive Systems:

- AWD = All wheel drive: 4-wheel drive automatically controlled by the vehicle power train system.
- 4WD = 4-wheel drive: driver selectable 4-wheel drive with 2-wheel drive option.
- 2WD = 2-wheel drive.

Heavy-Duty Vehicle: A vehicle with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of more than 8,500 pounds.

INVENTORY

In order to maintain efficient driving practices before, during, and after procuring fuel-efficient vehicles, the Superintendent, or his/her designee(s), shall maintain, in coordination with the Town and County, a vehicle inventory list (attachment A) including the following information, which shall be updated on an annual basis and provided to the Green Communities Division:

Model	Make	Model Year	Year/month Purchased	Drive System: 2 WD, 4WD or AWD	> 8500 pounds? (Y or N)	Exempt or non- exempt	MPG Rating	Vehicle Function

Note: The Nantucket Public Schools may use EPA combined MPG estimates or actual combined MPG.

QUESTIONS/ENFORCEMENT

All other inquiries should be directed to the staff responsible for fleet management and/or fleet procurement. This policy shall be enforced by the Superintendent and/or designee(s).