Archdiocesan Fleet Policy





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Why a Fleet Policy is Needed

A fleet policy is essential for the following primary reasons:

- To ensure the safety of all employees, volunteers and others on the roadways
 - To protect the interest of all employees, volunteers, locations and the Archdiocese against liability arising out of the use and operation of motor vehicles



Why a Fleet Policy is Needed

Safety

2007 41,059 fatalities in the US or one every 8.5 minutes

Liability Exposure

During FY '07 and '08 465 auto related claims totaling \$789,538



Ownership of the Vehicle

The fleet policy divides vehicles into two main categories:

Non-Owned Vehicles Employees Volunteers Vendors/Contractors

Owned vehicles Location's Priest



Non-owned Vehicles

Non-owned vehicles need to be addressed as part of our fleet policy due to the legal theory of "agency relationship".



Consent



No requirement of a contract



Control

Respondeat Superior- Let the master answer

Non-owned Vehicles

If the potential of an agency relationship being established is likely, it is imperative the following issues are addressed whenever any employee or volunteer is operating a vehicle other than one belonging to the location:



Minimum age

21 years old or older



Secure a MVR

Update record request every three years

3 or more points disqualifies a driver



STAND Training

Transporting youth

Non-owned Vehicles





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Verify insurance coverage on non-owned vehicle Prefer minimum limits of \$100/\$300K limits

Insurance Coverage

No Physical Damage coverage Excess liability coverage only applies



Moratorium on 10-15 passenger vehicles applies

Owned Vehicles

For any driver, whether an employee or volunteer, that is authorized to operate a location owned vehicle, the following issues must be addressed:



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21 years old or older



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Insurance Coverage

Physical damage coverage including collision and comprehensive coverage Liability coverage

- Moratorium on 10-15 passenger vehicles applies
- Maintain detailed maintenance logs Maintenance should be performed pursuant to manufacturer recommended guidelines



Ensure proper licensures to operate designated vehicles

Owned Vehicles



Rental Vehicles

When renting a vehicle, waive the coverage offered by the rental company

Vendor/Contractor Vehicles

All vendors and contractors are to produce a certificate of insurance including proof of auto liability coverage.







Questions

