

VOLUNTEER VANPOOL DRIVER ELIGIBILITY & RETENTION CRITERIA

Vanpool drivers must have a valid, unrestricted (prescription lenses acceptable), nonprobationary driver's license and five years of verifiable licensed driving experience, be at least 25 years of age and provide off street parking at residence or other pre-approved location.

Below is the eligibility and retention criterion utilizing a point system (see attached chart). The total points are compared with an acceptable risk of **three** or below. Each citation/accident appearing within a three year period is counted except as noted below.

Never Eligible Offenses: Any conviction surrounding a fatal accident (vehicular homicide, manslaughter, etc.), using a vehicle in commission of a felony, and/or vehicular assault appears on your driving record.

<u>10 Year Ineligible Offenses</u>: Any conviction for negligent driving, reckless driving, hit and run, leaving an accident scene or driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

<u>5 Year Ineligible Offenses</u>: Any conviction for suspension/revocation related to a 4 point offense.

<u>3 Year Ineligible Offenses</u>: Any conviction or combination of convictions earning 4 or more points.

Insurance History: Cancellation or non-renewal of insurance coverage within the past 5 years will be reviewed. If the action is related to the applicant's driving behavior, the application may be rejected. Filing of a Certificate of Financial Responsibility by a potential volunteer driver due to his/her personal driving record may also result in application rejection.

Ability to Perform Essential Driving Functions: A volunteer driver must be able to perform essential driving functions as listed on the Volunteer Driver Essential Functions form.

<u>Ability to Perform Inspection Checklist</u>: A volunteer vanpool driver must be able to perform the required daily, weekly and monthly checklist.

Points	Offense
+ 1	Additional point added to any offense that occurred in a vanpool vehicle
point	
2	Operating without lights on
2	Carpool lane violation
2	Driving on the shoulder
2	Driving without insurance
2	Failure to appear
2	Failure to signal
2	Following too close
2	Impeding traffic (travelling too slowly)
2	Improper lane travel
2	Speeding (0-8 mph over the speed limit)
2	Distracted Driving
3	Improper child restraint
3	Failure to yield to emergency vehicle
3	Speeding (9-12 mph over the speed limit)
3	Driving without a valid license
3	Seatbelt use violation
3	Speeding in a school zone (1 – 5 mph over the speed limit)
4	Speeding in a school zone (6 mph and over the speed limit)
4	Cell phone use or texting violation
4	Deferred prosecution for negligent driving, reckless driving, hit and run, leaving an
	accident scene, driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol
4	Driving too fast for conditions
4	Failure to yield or stop disobeying a road sign
4	Illegal passing, turning or lane change
4	Red light camera violation
4	Speeding (13 mph over the speed limit)
4	Violation of bus stop paddle

A good volunteer driver is the most important ingredient in any vanpool program. Mason Transit has established these specific guidelines to qualify those persons who have volunteered to drive a public vanpool vehicle to assure safe, reliable transportation to the public.

If you believe you qualify to be a volunteer vanpool driver based on the above criteria review the attached Volunteer Vanpool Driver Functions & Volunteer Vanpool Driver Inspection Checklist. If you are able to perform the functions as described fill out the attached Volunteer Vanpool Driver Application.