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# Mobile Equipment

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## 1. GENERAL

Mobile equipment includes motor-driven and non-motor-driven equipment that is mobile when performing its work or recreational function. It includes but is not limited to, electric carts, utility carts, all-terrain-vehicles (ATVs), bicycles, skateboards, roller blades and other similar devices. Over-the-road vehicles requiring licensing and registration are not included in this equipment category.

## 2. PROGRAM GUIDELINES

### PART A – WORK ENVIRONMENT

2.1. Each member affected by the presence and operation of mobile equipment by employees in the work environment should:

- (a) Identify workplace hazards associated with mobile equipment;
- (b) Develop programs to reduce risk to employees, students and visitors for identified hazards; and
- (c) Provide and document safety training to affected personnel who operate or work around mobile equipment in the work environment.

### PART B – OTHER USAGE

2.2. Where mobile equipment is used on system property for transportation or recreational use, the mobile equipment safety program should address the following issues as appropriate:

- (a) The regulation of mobile equipment use within buildings, stadiums, tennis courts, sports complexes, or on stairs, steps, sidewalks, benches or other system property; and
- (b) The regulation of parking mobile equipment in classrooms, entrances, exits, handicap ramps, walkways, hallways, stairwells or other similar areas where normal and expected pedestrian traffic might be restricted or endangered by its presence.

## 3. FUEL HANDLING AND STORAGE

3.1. A worker right-to-know program for safe storage and use of hazardous chemicals, including fuels will be developed according to state rule 25 Tex. Admin. Code Subchapter A (Hazard Communication).

- 3.2. The handling and storage of liquid fuels, such as gasoline or diesel, must be in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code (NFPA 30).
  - 3.3. The handling and storage of liquefied petroleum gas fuel must be in accordance with the NFPA Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gases Code (NFPA 58).
4. Every A&M System and member employee who operates mobile equipment will:
    - 4.1. Receive training and evaluation and be authorized to operate mobile equipment when first assigned and every three years.
    - 4.2. Perform a mobile equipment check at the beginning of each shift
    - 4.3. Follow the prescribed safe work practices and methods designed to protect employees from mobile equipment hazards.

#### REFERENCES AND RELATED STATUTES

7 Tex. Transportation Code §C Chapter 545, [Operation and Movement of Vehicles](#)

7 Tex. Transportation Code §A Chapter 547, [Vehicle Equipment](#)

29 CFR §1910.178 [Powered industrial trucks](#)

29 CFR §1926.601 [Motor vehicles](#)

[NFPA 1 Fire Code \(2021\)](#)

[NFPA 30 Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code](#)

[NFPA 58 Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gases Code](#)

[NFPA 505 Fire Safety Standard for Powered Industrial Trucks Including Type Designations, Areas of Use, Conversions, Maintenance, and Operations \(2018\)](#)