

**NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS
752**

VEHICLE OPERATION BY INMATES

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PURPOSE

To establish the responsibilities, policies, and procedures for the operation of motor vehicles by Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) inmates.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Deputy Director of Operations is responsible for the administration of this regulation.

All Wardens/Facility Managers are responsible for developing and implementing Institutional Operational Procedures specific to their institution/facility.

752.01 VEHICLE OPERATION BY INMATES

1. Only inmates who are approved by the Warden or Associate Warden to operate motor vehicles may do so. Inmate's commitment of offense, which is vehicle related, shall not be approved to operate any motor vehicle. No inmate may operate a motor vehicle unless they meet the following conditions:

A. Generally, no inmate who is medium custody or above may operate a motor vehicle. Exceptions to this policy may include approved inmates assigned to Prison Industries (PI), Maintenance and Warehouse sections.

- 1) Any inmate assigned to PI must have approval from the institution's warden/associate warden to operate any vehicle.
 - a) Inmates assigned to PI may, with the approval of the PI Supervisor, operate vehicular machinery used in the every day operations, such as a forklift.
 - b) The inmate worker must possess a valid safety and operation certification from a source approved by the Deputy Director of Prison

Industries (DD/PI) prior to operating his or her assigned motor vehicle or equipment.

- c) The certification/license shall be kept in the inmate's I-file with a copy kept by the Prison Industry Supervisor on the operation's premises.

2) Any minimum/medium-custody or above inmate assigned to institutional maintenance or warehouse sections must have specific approval from the institution's warden/associate warden to operate any motor vehicle or machinery.

- a) Inmates assigned to institutional maintenance or warehouse sections may, with the approval of the warden/associate warden, operate vehicular machinery used in the every day operations, such as a forklift.
- b) The inmate worker must possess a valid safety and operation certification from a source approved by a Deputy Director prior to operating his or her assigned motor vehicle.
- c) The certification shall be kept in the inmate's I-file with a copy kept by the Maintenance Supervisor on the operation's premises.

B. Minimum custody inmates are permitted to operate motor vehicles as a part of their duties when assigned to Restitution/Transitional Centers, or while working with the Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) during emergency situations. The following conditions apply:

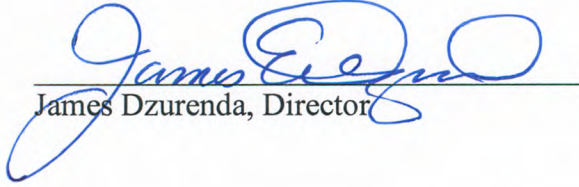
1) Inmates assigned to the restitution center, transition centers, or community assignments may drive vehicles associated with their employment only conduct business and only if approved by the facility's manager. Examples include but are not limited to forklifts, delivery vans, gators, construction equipment, lawn mowers, etc.

- a) The inmate is required to have a valid driver's license and appropriate certification prior to operating any motor vehicle.
- b) Copies of the license and certification will be maintained in the inmate's I-file, and a copy will be kept by the NNRC, CGTH, or camp staff.

2) Inmates assigned to the NDF may drive a vehicle only in an emergency situation where the vehicle is at risk of destruction or if the NDF Supervisor is incapacitated.

APPLICABILITY

1. This AR requires an Institutional Operational Procedure.
2. This AR requires an audit.


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Date