

## **VOLUNTEER VANPOOL DRIVER ELIGIBILITY & RETENTION CRITERIA**

Vanpool drivers must have a valid, unrestricted (prescription lenses acceptable), non-probationary 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.

**Lifetime Ineligible 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.

<u>Ability to Perform Essential Driving Functions</u>: 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 point	Additional point added to any offense that occurred in a vanpool vehicle
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)
3	Failure to yield to emergency vehicle
3	Speeding (9-12 mph over the speed limit)
3	Deferred prosecution for any offence that is NOT negligent driving, reckless driving, hit and
	run, leaving the scene of an accident, driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol
3	Driving without a valid license
3	Improper child restraint
3	Red light camera violation
3	Seatbelt use violation
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	Open alcohol container
4	Speeding (13 mph over the speed limit)
4	Speeding in a school zone
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.