

**BUS PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE**

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All buses purchased or contracted by the division must comply with the requirements of the Pupil Transportation Unit (PTU) of Manitoba Education:  
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/ptu/responsibility.html>. Buses should be purchased through the provincial bus tender to ensure they meet current safety standards.

The Transportation Manager will continually review the latest standards and safety trends in the industry to identify safety shortcomings in existing buses. The Transportation Manager will report any bus safety shortcomings, as well as recommendations to upgrade the fleet, to the Secretary-Treasurer each year during the budget process. These recommendations will be reviewed with the Superintendent/CEO to determine which upgrades are required for the year.

The Transportation Manager will also ensure division buses are inspected in accordance with provincially mandated frequencies. All buses must meet the requirements and be in compliance with the requirements of the PTU. Inspections will be carried out only by qualified agencies. If bus inspection services are contracted out, agencies will be expected to meet the same inspection requirements as outlined by the PTU. Upon completion of the inspection, the company will be required to notify the division in writing that all buses to run on division routes and trips meet the appropriate service standards.

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