

Use of Fifteen-Passenger Size Vans

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In April 2001, The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued a study on “The Rollover Propensity of Fifteen-Passenger Vans.” The report concluded that fifteen-passenger Department of Transportation studies have identified the potential of fifteen passenger vans with ten or more occupants had three times the rollover ratio of those with fewer than five occupants. In response to this study, the Cabinet established the following:

- All 15-passenger vans own by the university will be replaced during their normal rotation.
- No department will rent or lease 15-passenger vans for TCU business.
- Until all vans are replaced, the affected departments will continue operating guidelines and maintenance of vehicle.
- Existing 15 passenger vans will be designated as pool vehicles for on campus use only.
- Affected Departments should plan and request budget monies to adjust for increase in rental fees.
- The athletic department will phase out current furnished custom vans of similar size, and will not accept these types of vans in the future.

Should any questions arise concerning this policy, contact the TCU risk management offices at x7798.