



CDL PRETRIP GUIDE

YOU WILL HAVE 45 MINUTES TO COMPLETE THE ENTIRE PRETRIP

THIS IS THE VERY FIRST THING YOU WILL DO:

1. CLOSE AIR VALVES
2. MAKE SURE PARK BRAKE IS ENGAGED
3. CHECK THAT TRANSMISSION IS IN THE NEUTRAL POSITION
4. REMOVE KEY FROM IGNITION

MOVE TO ENGINE COMPARTMENT TO CHECK FOR:

1. LEAKS UNDER VEHICLE:

~CHECK FOR PUDDLES ON THE GROUND; IF NO LEAKS ARE VISIBLE THEN SAY "I SEE NO LEAKS."

2. HOSES:

~MAKE SURE THAT ALL HOSES ARE SECURELY MOUNTED AT BOTH ENDS AND ARE NOT CUT, CRACKED OR FRAYED AND HAVE NO LEAKS.

3. COOLANT RESERVOIR:

~MAKE SURE THAT SIGHT GLASS IS PRESENT AND INDICATES FLUID IS AT PROPER LEVEL

4. POWER STEERING RESERVOIR:

~MAKE SURE SIGHT GLASS IS PRESENT AND INDICATES FLUID IS AT PROPER LEVEL; PULL THE DIP STICK OUT AND CHECK THE FLUID LEVEL AND SAY, "THE FLUID IS ABOVE THE ADD MARK."

5. OIL:

~PULL THE DIP STICK OUT AND CHECK OIL LEVEL AND SAY, "THE OIL IS ABOVE THE ADD MARK."

6. AIR COMPRESSOR:

~MAKE SURE IT IS SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS AND HEAR NO LEAKS. THEN SAY, "IT IS GEAR DRIVEN."

7. ALTERNATOR BELT:

~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO CUTS, CRACKS OR FRAYS. THERE SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN 1/2 TO 3/4 INCH PLAY WHEN BELT IS PUSHED ON.

8. WATER PUMP BELT:

~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO CUTS, CRACKS OR FRAYS. THERE SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN 1/2 TO 3/4 INCH PLAY WHEN BELT IS PUSHED ON.

MOVE TO MIRRORS AND CHECK FOR:

1. THAT MIRRORS ON BOTH SIDES ARE SECURELY MOUNTED, FREE OF BREAKS, CRACKS, ANY OTHER DAMAGE AND THAT THEY ARE NOT DIRTY. (YOU ***MUST*** RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO THE TRAINER/TESTER.)

MOVE TO PASSENGER ENTRANCE AND CHECK:

1. SERVICE DOOR:

~MAKE SURE DOOR OPENS AND CLOSES SMOOTHLY AND THAT HINGES ARE SECURELY MOUNTED.

~MAKE SURE THAT SEALS ARE SOFT AND INTACT WITH NO LEAKS.

~MAKE SURE DOOR WINDOWS ARE CLEAN WITH NO CRACKS OR STICKERS.

2. STAIRWELL STEPS:

~MAKE SURE THAT MATS LAY FLAT; THERE ARE NO HOLES AND THEY ARE NOT WORN.

3. STAIRWELL LIGHT:

~MAKE SURE LIGHT IS CLEAN AND CLEAR, SECURELY MOUNTED, NOT BROKEN AND WORKS PROPERLY.

4. HANDRAIL:

~MAKE SURE HANDRAIL IS SECURELY MOUNTED.

5. WINDSHIELD WASHER FLUID:

~OPEN DOOR AND CHECK FLUID LEVEL IN CONTAINER

INSIDE ENTRANCE AND ENGINE START UP:

1. FIRST AID EQUIPMENT COMPARTMENT:

~MAKE SURE FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS PROPERLY CHARGED AND RATED;

~THERE ARE NINE (9) ITEMS IN THE FIRST AID KIT;

~THERE ARE THREE (3) REFLECTIVE TRIANGLES;

~THERE IS A BODY FLUID CLEAN UP KIT.

THEN STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "THIS VEHICLE IS NOT EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRICAL FUSES. THE CIRCUIT BREAKERS ARE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE DRIVERS WINDOW."

2. REARVIEW MIRROR:

~YOU MUST SAY "MIRROR IS SECURELY MOUNTED, CLEAN WITH NO CRACKS OR STICKERS (ADJUST MIRROR BACK).

3. GEARSHIFT:

~APPLY PARK BREAK

~MAKE SURE GEARSHIFT IS IN THE NEUTRAL POSITION

~INSERT KEY INTO IGNITION AND START VEHICLE (BUS)

4. OUTSIDE LIGHTS AND TURN SIGNALS:

AFTER VEHICLE (BUS) ENGINE IS STARTED:

- ~CHECK TURN SIGNALS IN FRONT AND BACK (ON TRANSIT BUS YOU WILL NEED TO GET OFF BUS AND CHECK)
- ~CHECK ALL OUTSIDE LIGHTS (FRONT, DRIVER'S SIDE, REAR AND PASSENGER'S SIDE)

5. EMERGENCY DOOR RELEASE HANDLE:

- ~TURN EMERGENCY DOOR RELEASE HANDLE DOWN SLOWLY TO SUPPLY AIR TO THE PASSENGER SERVICE DOOR.

6. SEATBELT:

- ~MAKE SURE IT IS SECURELY MOUNTED, NOT CUT, TORN OR FRAYED AND FASTENED PROPERLY (*CHECKING SEATBELT IS MANDATORY*)

7. MIRRORS:

- ~MAKE SURE WESTCOAST MIRRORS ARE PROPERLY ADJUSTED (ADJUSTED SO YOU CAN SEE DOWN EACH SIDE OF VEHICLE/BUS), CLEAN AND NOT CRACKED
- ~MAKE SURE REARVIEW MIRROR IS PROPERLY ADJUSTED

8. STEERING WHEEL:

- ~MAKE SURE THERE IS NO MORE THAN TWO (2) INCHES OF PLAY IN A TWENTY (20) INCH WHEEL (OBSERVE TIRE BY USING BOTTOM WESTCOAST MIRROR). ENGINE MUST BE RUNNING. THERE SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN 5-10 DEGREES OF FREE PLAY.

9. HORN:

- ~CHECK TO MAKE SURE HORN WORKS

9. OIL PRESSURE GAUGE:

- ~MAKE SURE TO CHECK THAT OIL PRESSURE IS RISING TO PROPER LEVEL (PRESS ACCELERATOR)

10. VOLT METER GAUGE:

- ~MAKE SURE BATTERY IS CHARGING PROPERLY

11. AIR PRESSURE GAUGE:

- ~MAKE SURE AIR PRESSURE IS AT NORMAL RANGE (BETWEEN 100-125 PSI)

12. FUEL GAUGE:

- ~CHECK THE FUEL LEVEL AND SAY "I HAVE FUEL."

13. WINDSHIELD WIPERS (TURN WINDSHIELD WIPERS ON):

- ~MAKE SURE THEY'RE SECURELY MOUNTED AND ARE OPERATING PROPERLY
- ~WIPER BLADES ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS AND ARE SOFT AND PLIABLE
- ~WINDSHIELD WASHER WORKS PROPERLY AND HAS FLUID (YOU WILL NEED TO PUSH THE KNOB TO DEMONSTRATE)

14. WINDSHIELD:

- ~MAKE SURE WINDSHIELD IS CLEAN WITH NO ILLEGAL STICKERS, OBSTRUCTIONS OR DAMAGE TO GLASS

15. HEATERS/DEFROSTERS:

- ~PULL BOTH KNOBS OUT, TURN ON DEFROSTER SWITCHES (LEFT PANEL) AND FEEL LEFT AND RIGHT DEFROSTER VENTS FOR AIR
- ~PUSH DEFROSTER KNOB IN AND FEEL TO SEE THAT FRONT HEATER IS WORKING PROPERLY
- ~TURN FRONT HEATER SWITCHES OFF
- ~TURN ON REAR PASSENGER HEATERS (LEFT PANEL) AND LISTEN FOR AIR BLOWING
- ~TURN ALL SWITCHES OFF

16. LIGHT INDICATORS (LOCATED ON DASH BOARD):

- ~CHECK AND SAY NAMES OF INDICATORS, WHILE POINTING TO, ON DASH TO MAKE SURE ALL ARE WORKING PROPERLY
- ~CHECK LEFT AND RIGHT TURN SIGNAL INDICATORS TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE WORKING PROPERLY
- ~CHECK HAZARD LIGHT INDICATORS TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE WORKING PROPERLY
- ~CHECK HIGH/LOW BEAM INDICATOR TO MAKE SURE IT IS WORKING PROPERLY

17. OVERHEAD WARNING LIGHTS:

- ~TURN ON OVERHEAD WARNING LIGHTS (SILVER TOGGLE LOCATED ON LEFT PANEL)
- ~CHECK TO MAKE SURE AMBER INICATOR LIGHT IS WORKING PROPERLY AND THAT AMBER WARNING LIGHTS ARE FLASHING ON THE FRONT AND REAR OF BUS
- ~OPEN SERVICE DOOR TO ACTIVATE THE RED STOP LIGHTS AT THE FRONT AND REAR OF THE BUS ALONG WITH THE STOP ARM AND MAKE SURE THAT ALL STOP LIGHTS ARE WORKING PROPERLY
- ~MAKE SURE STEPWELL LIGHT IS ON (THIS ONLY OCCURS WHEN HEADLIGHT SWITCH IS IN THE "ON" POSITION)
- ~STOP ARM OUT AND LIGHTS ARE FLASHING RED (MAKE SURE YOU POINT THIS OUT TO THE EXAMINER)

~CROSSING GATE IS OUT

~CLOSE SERVICE DOOR AND TURN ON HAZARD LIGHTS

~AFTER "CHILD SAFETY ALARM" STOPS, TURN HAZARD LIGHTS OFF

18. ASK EXAMINER IF HE/SHE WOULD LIKE TO GET OUT AND CHECK TO BE SURE THAT ALL LIGHTS ARE WORKING PROPERLY ON THE FRONT, BOTH SIDES AND REAR OF THE BUS.

FRONT

CLEARANCE LIGHTS
WARNING/STOP LIGHTS
LEFT/RIGHT TURN SIGNALS
HAZARD LIGHTS
HIGH/LOW BEAM HEAD LAMPS
PARK LIGHTS

BOTH SIDES

CLEARANCE LIGHTS
TURN SIGNALS
HAZARD LIGHTS

REAR

STROBE LIGHT (TOP REAR OF BUS)
CLEARANCE LIGHTS
WARNING/STOP LIGHTS
HAZARD LIGHTS
BRAKE LIGHTS
TAIL LIGHTS
BACK UP LIGHTS

19. PARK BRAKE TEST:

~WITH PARK BRAKE ENGAGED, PLACE YOUR FOOT ON THE SERVICE BRAKE AND PUT GEAR SHIFT INTO THE "DRIVE" POSITION

~PLACE FOOT ON ACCELERATOR AND ACCELERATE SLOWLY TO MAKE SURE PARK BRAKE IS WORKING PROPERLY

~PLACE FOOT BACK ON SERVICE BRAKE AND PUT GEAR SHIFT BACK INTO THE "NEUTRAL" POSITION AND SAY "PARK BRAKE WORKS."

20. AIR BRAKE LEAKAGE TEST:

~TURN BUS ENGINE OFF AND THEN TURN IGNITION KEY TO THE LEFT

~PLACE FOOT ON SERVICE BRAKE

~DISENGAGE PARK BRAKE (MUST DO THIS)

~APPLY SERVICE BRAKE FOR ONE (1) MINUTE; THE AIR PRESSURE GAUGE SHOULD NOT DROP MORE THAN 3 PSI IN ONE (1) MINUTE

21. LOW-AIR WARNING SYSTEM:

~WITH FOOT STILL ON SERVICE BRAKE; TURN IGNITION KEY TO THE RIGHT (SWITCH SHOULD BE IN THE "ON" POSITION BUT BUS ENGINE SHOULD NOT BE RUNNING)

~PUMP SERVICE BRAKE UNTIL AIR PRESSURE GAUGE REACHES 60 PSI AND LOW-AIR INDICATOR LIGHT IS ACTIVATED; CONTINUE TO PUMP SERVICE BRAKE UNTIL AIR PRESSURE GAUGE REACHES BETWEEN 20 AND 40 PSI AND THE PARK BRAKE KNOB ENGAGES (POPS OUT)

~TURN SWITCH TO THE "OFF" POSITION (TURN KEY TO THE LEFT)

PASSENGER AREA:

1. AISLE MAT:

~MAKE SURE AISLE MAT IS LYING FLAT AND HAS NO HOLES OR WORN PLACES

EMERGENCY EXITS:

1. STATE TO THE EXAMINER THE FOLLOWING:

- ~TWO (2) ROOF HATCHES (ONE (1) IN THE FRONT AND ONE (1) IN THE REAR)
- ~FOUR (4) EMERGENCY WINDOW EXITS (TWO (2) IN THE FRONT AND (2) IN THE REAR)
- ~TWO (2) EMERGENCY DOORS (ONE (1) ON THE LEFT AND ONE (2) ON THE RIGHT)
- ~ONE (1) EMERGENCY EXIT WINDOW IN THE REAR

YOU MUST OPEN ALL EMERGENCY EXITS TO MAKE SURE THE ALARMS ARE WORKING PROPERLY AND SAY TO THE EXAMINER, "ALL EMERGENCY EXITS ARE PROPERLY MARKED AND LABELED AND ARE WORKING PROPERLY."

SEATS/CUSHIONS:

- ~ON THE WAY BACK UP THE AISLE, HIT THE BACK OF EACH SEAT AND GRAB THE SEAT CUSHIONS MAKING SURE THAT THE SEAT FRAMES ARE SECURELY MOUNTED TO THE FLOOR AND SEAT CUSHIONS ARE SECURELY MOUNTED TO THE SEAT FRAMES

STATE TO THE EXAMINER THAT THE SEATS ARE NOT CUT OR TORN AND THAT THEY HAVE NO BROKEN FRAMES

TURN KEY TO THE "OFF" POSITION AND REMOVE IT FROM THE IGNITION AND GO TO THE BACK BACK OF THE BUS AND TURN OFF THE "CHILD SAFETY" ALARM. THEN MOVE TO THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE (BUS).

MIRRORS:

STATE WHILE POINTING TO THE EXAMINER THE FOLLOWING:

- ~THERE ARE TWO (2) CONVEX MIRRORS, FOUR (4) WEST COAST MIRRORS, TWO (2) CAT EYE MIRRORS AND MIRROR MOUNTS
- ~ALL ARE SECURELY MOUNTED AND HAVE NO MISSING OR LOOSE FITTINGS
- ~THEY ARE PROPERLY ADJUSTED, CLEAN AND NOT BROKEN

LIGHTS (AT FRONT OF BUS):

- ~THREE (3) AMBER CLEARANCE LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER WARNING LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) RED STOP LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER AND BLACK TURN SIGNALS/HAZARD LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) CLEAR HEAD LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER PARK LIGHTS

STATE TO THE EXAMINER THAT ALL ARE PRESENT, SECURELY MOUNTED, CLEAN AND NOT CRACKED OR BROKEN.

CHECK UNDERNEATH THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE (BUS) FOR PUDDLES AND SAY TO THE EXAMINER, "I SEE NO PUDDLES/LEAKS." WHILE POINTING TO SHOW THE EXAMINER

DRIVER'S SIDE:

1. FRONT TIRES:

- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO LESS THAT 4/32 OF AN INCH OF TREAD DEPTH
- ~TIRES SHOULD BE EVENLY WORN
- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO CUTS OR DAMAGES TO THE TREAD OR SIDE WALL
- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO RUST TRAIL BETWEEN TIRE AND RIM (THIS WOULD INDICATE SLIPPAGE)
- ~RIMS ARE NOT CRACKED, BENT, WARPED AND HAVE NO WELDS
- ~ALL LUG NUTS ARE PRESENT AND TIGHT WITH NO SIGN OF A RUST TRAIL (THIS WOULD INDICATE A LOOSE LUG NUT)
- ~ALL BOLTS ARE PRESENT AND TIGHT WITH NO CRACKS OR DISTORTION OF BOLT HOLES
- ~HUB SEAL IS PRESENT AND SIGHT GLASS INDICATES OIL IS AT THE PROPER LEVEL WITH NO LEAKS
- ~VALVE STEM CAP IS PRESENT

STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "IF I HAD A TIRE AIR GUAGE I WOULD CHECK FOR PROPER TIRE INFLATION."

2. STOP SIGN (PULL OUT FROM VEHICLE)

- ~IS SECURELY MOUNTED, LENSES ARE RED AND NOT CRACKED
- ~WIRES AND CABLE ARE NOT CRACKED OR FRAYED
- ~DIAPHRAGM IS NOT CRACKED OR DAMAGED

3. LIGHTS (POINT TO OR TOUCH):

- ~TWO (2) AMBER AND ONE (1) RED CLEARANCE LIGHTS
- ~ONE (1) AMBER AND ONE (1) RED TURN SIGNALS/HAZARD LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER AND ONE (1) RED REFLECTORS

STATE TO THE EXAMINER THAT ALL LIGHTS ARE PRESENT, SECURELY MOUNTED, CLEAN, NOT CRACKED OR BROKEN AND ARE WORKING PROPERLY

4. EMERGENCY EXITS:

- ~TWO (2) EMERGENCY WINDOW EXITS
- ~ONE (1) EMERGENCY DOOR (MAKE SURE IT OPENS AND CLOSES SMOOTHLY FROM THE OUTSIDE)

STATE TO THE EXAMINER THAT ALL ARE PROPERLY MARKED AND LABELED

5. REAR TIRE:

- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO LESS THAN 2/32 OF AN INCH OF TREAD DEPTH
- ~MAKE SURE TIRES ARE EVENLY WORN
- ~THERE ARE NO CUTS OR DAMAGE TO TREAD OR SIDE WALLS
- ~THERE ARE NO RUST TRAILS BETWEEN THE TIRE AND RIM (THIS WOULD INDICATE SLIPPAGE)
- ~RIM IS NOT CRACKED, BENT, WARPED AND HAS NO WELDS
- ~ALL LUG NUTS ARE PRESENT AND TIGHT WITH NO SIGNS OF RUST TRAILS (THIS WOULD INDICATE LOOSE LUG NUTS)
- ~AXLE SEAL IS PRESENT, ALL BOLTS ARE PRESENT, TIGHT AND HAS NO LEAKS
- ~THERE ARE NO CRACKS OR DISTORTION OF BOLT HOLES
- ~VALVE STEM CAPS ARE PRESENT (CHECK BOTH VALVE STEMS FOR CAPS) AND SAY TO EXAMINER, "IF I HAD A TIRE GAUGE, I WOULD CHECK FOR PROPER INFLATION."

STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "THESE ARE BUD WHEELS, THEY HAVE NO SPACERS, BUT ARE EVENLY SPACED WITH NO DEBRI BETWEEN THEM."

OUTSIDE REAR OF BUS:

- ~ONE (1) CLEAR STROBE LIGHT (STEP BACK FROM BUS AND POINT TO STROBE LIGHT ON TOP OF BUS)
- ~TWO (2) RED CLEARANCE LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER WARNING LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) RED STOP LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) AMBER AND BLACK TURN SIGNALS/HAZARD LIGHTS
- ~FOUR (4) RED BRAKE LIGHTS/TAIL LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) WHITE BACK-UP LIGHTS
- ~TWO (2) RED REFLECTORS

STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "ALL ARE PRESENT, SECURELY MOUNTED, CLEAN, NOT CRACKED OR BROKEN AND WORK PROPERLY."

- ~ONE (1) PERMANENT SOUTH CAROLINA LICENSE PLATE
- ~EMERGENCY EXIT WINDOW IS CLEAN, NOT DAMAGED, OPENS AND CLOSSES SMOOTHLY FROM THE OUTSIDE AND IS PROPERLY MARKED AND LABELED

PASSENGER SIDE:

REAR TIRE:

- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO LESS THAN 2/32 OF AN INCH OF TREAD DEPTH
- ~MAKE SURE TIRES ARE EVENLY WORN
- ~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO CUTS OR DAMAGE TO TREAD OR SIDE WALLS
- ~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO RUST TRAILS BETWEEN THE TIRE AND RIM (THIS WOULD INDICATE SLIPPAGE)
- ~MAKE SURE RIM IS NOT CRACKED, BENT, WARPED AND HAS NO WELDS
- ~MAKE SURE ALL LUG NUTS ARE PRESENT AND TIGHT WITH NO SIGNS OF RUST TRAILS (THIS WOULD INDICATE LOOSE LUG NUTS)
- ~MAKE SURE AXLE SEAL IS PRESENT, ALL BOLTS ARE PRESENT, TIGHT AND HAS NO LEAKS
- ~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO CRACKS OR DISTORTION OF BOLT HOLES
- ~MAKE SURE VALVE STEM CAPS ARE PRESENT (CHECK BOTH VALVE STEMS FOR CAPS) AND SAY TO EXAMINER, "IF I HAD A TIRE GAUGE, I WOULD CHECK FOR PROPER INFLATION."

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STATE TO THE EXAMINER THAT ALL ARE PROPERLY MARKED AND LABELED

FUEL AREA:

- ~MAKE SURE IT IS PROPERLY LABELED AND STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "IF I HAD THE KEY, I WOULD SHOW YOU THAT IT IS PROPERLY CAPPED."
- ~CHECK TO MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO LEAKS (BEND OVER AND LOOK UNDER THE VEHICLE)

FRONT TIRES:

- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO LESS THAT 4/32 OF AN INCH OF TREAD DEPTH
- ~TIRES SHOULD BE EVENLY WORN
- ~THERE SHOULD BE NO CUTS OR DAMAGES TO THE TREAD OR SIDE WALL
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- ~HUB SEAL IS PRESENT AND SIGHT GLASS INDICATES OIL IS AT THE PROPER LEVEL WITH NO LEAKS; ALL BOLTS ARE PRESENT AND TIGHT
- ~VALVE STEM CAP IS PRESENT

STATE TO THE EXAMINER, "IF I HAD A TIRE AIR GAUGE I WOULD CHECK FOR PROPER TIRE INFLATION."

UNDER FRONT OF BUS:

STEERING GEAR BOX:

- ~MAKE SURE THAT IT IS SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS OR LEAKS
- ~THERE ARE NO MISSING NUTS, BOLTS OR COTTER PINS
- ~THERE ARE NO LEAKS OR DAMAGE TO THE POWER STEERING HOSES

STEERING LINKAGE:

- ~MAKE SURE THAT IT IS SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO MISSING NUTS OR BOLTS
- ~BUSHING AND COTTER KEYS ARE IN PLACE
- ~CONNECTING LINKS, ARMS AND RODS FROM STEERING BOX TO THE WHEEL ARE NOT WORN OR CRACKED (TOUCH ALL THREE (3) PARTS: FRONT, MIDDLE AND REAR)

DRAG LINK:

- ~MAKE SURE THAT IT IS NOT CRACKED, BENT OR BROKEN

LEAF SPRINGS:

- ~MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH U-BOLTS (FRONT, MIDDLE AND REAR)
- ~NONE ARE MISSING AND THAT THEY ARE PROPERLY ALIGNED
- ~THEY ARE NOT CRACKED OR BROKEN AND HAVE NO MISSING NUTS OR BOLTS

SPRING MOUNTS:

- ~MAKE SURE THAT SPRING ATTACHMENTS, BRACKETS, BUSHINGS AND BOLTS ARE IN PLACE
- ~THERE ARE NO CRACKED OR BROKEN SPRING HANGERS
- ~THERE ARE NO MISSING, LOOSE OR BROKEN BOLTS; INCLUDING U-BOLT (TOUCH FRONT AND POINT TO THE REAR)

SHOCK ABSORBERS:

- ~MAKE SURE THEY ARE PROPERLY MOUNTED, NOT BENT OR CRACKED WITH NO LEAKS

BRAKE CHAMBERS:

- ~MAKE SURE THEY ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS, DENTS OR LEAKS
- ~HOSES ARE SECURELY ATTACHED WITH NO CRACKS, FRAYS OR LEAKS

SLACK ADJUSTER:

- ~MAKE SURE IT'S NOT BROKEN, LOOSE AND HAS NO MISSING PARTS
- ~IT HAS NO MORE THAN ONE (1) INCH PLAY WHEN PULLED
- ~THERE IS A LITTLE MORE THAN 90 DEGREES WHEN BRAKES ARE RELEASED AND NOT LESS THAN 90 DEGREES WHEN BRAKES ARE APPLIED

BRAKE DRUM/BRAKE LINING:

- ~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO CRACKS, DENTS AND NOT WARPED
- ~THERE ARE NO LOOSE OR MISSING BOLTS
- ~THEY ARE NOT WORN DANGEROUSLY THIN
- ~THERE IS NO OIL CONTAMINANTS ON DRUMS OR LININGS

FUEL TANK:

- ~MAKE SURE IT IS SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS OR LEAKS

FRAME/CROSS MEMBERS:

- ~MAKE SURE THEY ARE SECURELY MOUNTED, ALL ARE PRESENT WITH NO CRACKS, BENDS OR BROKEN WELDS

BOX/FLOOR:

- ~MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO HOLES, CRACKS OR DAMAGE

HOSES: (ENTIRE LENGTH OF VEHICLE)

- ~MAKE SURE THEY ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH NO CRACKS, FRAYS OR LEAKS

UNDER REAR OF BUS:

LEAF SPRINGS:

- ~MAKE SURE THEY ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH U-BOLTS (FRONT, MIDDLE AND REAR)
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DRIVE SHAFT:

- ~MAKE SURE COUPLINGS ARE SECURELY MOUNTED WITH U-BOLTS AT EACH END
- ~NO DEBRI

EXHAUST SYSTEM:

- ~MAKE SURE MUFFLER AND TAIL PIPE ARE CONNECTED AND SECURELY MOUNTED
- ~THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF SOOT, LEAKS OR RUST
- ~THERE ARE NO DENTS, CRACKS OR HOLES

ROAD TEST:

1. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR MIRRORS BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER EVERY PROCEDURE.
2. BE SURE TO CHECK CLEARANCE ON OVERPASS. (YOU MUST KNOW THIS!!)
3. BE SURE TO TURN INTO THE CORRECT LANE WHEN MAKING A LEFT TURN.

EXAMPLE:

- A. MAKING A LEFT TURN WITH ONLY ONE (1) TURNING LANE
~~YOU MUST TURN INTO THE LEFT LANE AND THEN MOVE TO THE RIGHT LANE IMMEDIATELY
(AS SOON AS IT IS CLEAR TO DO SO).
- B. MAKING A LEFT TURN WITH TWO (2) TURNING LANES
~~YOU MUST BE IN THE FAR RIGHT TURNING LANE AND STAY IN IT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
TURN!!!!

LANE CHANGING:

- ~CHECK MIRROR AND TRAFFIC
- ~TURN ON YOUR SIGNAL
- ~CHECK MIRROR AND TRAFFIC
- ~CHANGE LANES – ONLY IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO
- ~TELL EXAMINER IF IT IS NOT SAFE TO CHANGE LANES

STEEP UPHILL GRADE: (YOU MUST STATE THIS INFORMATION TO THE EXAMINER!!)

- ~CHECKING MY MIRRORS AND TRAFFIC
- ~SHIFTING TO A LOWER GEAR
- ~TURNING ON MY HAZARD LIGHTS
- ~KEEPING TO THE RIGHT OF THE LANE SO THAT TRAFFIC CAN PASS

PULL OFF ROAD AND PARK:

- ~CHECK YOUR MIRRORS AND TRAFFIC
- ~TURN ON YOUR TURN SIGNAL
- ~GENTLY PULL OFF THE ROAD
- ~CHECK MIRRORS AND TRAFFIC
- ~SECURE THE VEHICLE
- ~TURN ENGINE OFF AND TAKE KEY OUT OF IGNITION
- ~CANCEL TURN SIGNAL AND TURN ON YOUR HAZARD LIGHTS

STEEP DOWN HILL GRADE: (YOU MUST STATE THIS INFORMATION TO THE EXAMINER!!)

~CHECKING MY MIRRORS AND TRAFFIC

~SELECTING AN APPROPRIATE SAFE SPEED

~SHIFTING TO A LOWER GEAR BEFORE THE DOWN HILL GRADE

~YOU ARE BRAKING TO 5 MPH BELOW YOUR SAFE SPEED, THEN YOU ARE LETTING OFF YOUR BRAKE UNTIL YOU HAVE REACHED YOUR SAFE SPEED AGAIN

~TURN ON HAZARD LIGHTS

~YOU ARE REPEATING THIS PROCEDURE UNTIL YOU HAVE REACHED THE END OF YOUR DOWN HILL GRADE

