



for BUS Drivers



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Pre And Post Trip Hazards

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When doing your pre-and post-trip checks be aware of the following hazards.

SAFETY TIPS WHILE PRE-AND POST-TRIPPING THE BUS:

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- Watch for other moving buses
- When walking around the bus to inspect it watch for:
 - Ice, snow, fluids on the ground
 - Mirrors sticking out away from the side of the bus
 - Items left next to the bus (brooms, car seats, wash buckets)
 - Hoses, tire stops
 - Uneven surfaces
 - Electrical cords
- Don't just look AT the bus—but AROUND the bus for obstacles prior to backing out
- When checking the engine compartment be careful lifting the hood as it can be extremely heavy. Make sure it is secured open.
- When checking fluids in the engine, stand on a ladder or stepstool—not the tire
- When opening the emergency exit doors be cautious as they can be heavy
- Put yourself directly in front of the window when opening or closing it
- While checking the inside of the bus watch for:
 - Backpacks, coats, books, lunch boxes or other items left behind—don't trip over them
 - Wet floors—these can be slippery
- Be careful walking down the bus steps—use the handrail at all times.

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Tips to protect your body while cleaning the bus:

- Keep mops and brooms close to your body- this will prevent overextending and it will also help protect your shoulders and back
- When cleaning under the seats, bend at your knees instead of at the waist to protect your back
- Stand close to the windows while washing to prevent overreaching—or use a long handle squeegee

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BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS AT ALL TIMES

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