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## PURPOSE:

It is the intent of this policy to provide the highest level of customer service possible regarding transporting bicycles on buses while maintaining the highest standards of safety.

# SCOPE:

This policy applies to all employees driving transit vehicles equipped with bike racks.

### **PROCEDURES:**

### 1. Types of Bicycles Allowed

Standard bicycles: Bike racks are made for standard size, unaltered bikes. Conventional, single seat, two wheeled bikes are allowed to be transported on buses. Tandem, recumbent three wheeled, oversized or bikes with added accessories cannot be safely secured on the bike rack. Both wheels must fit into the bike rack wheel slots and the support arm/hook must fit over the top of the bike wheel.

Electric bicyles: Sealed drycell, electric assist bicycles where the battery is covered and is part of the bike design are allowed on the exterior bike rack only, the bike must weigh less than 55 lbs and be secured on the inside rack nearest to the vehicle. Electric bicycles cannot be transported inside the bus.

#### 2. Availability

Jefferson Transit cannot guarantee space to transport your bicycle at any time. Bike racks are on a first come, first served basis.

#### 3. Bicycles Inside Buses

A maximum of two standard bikes may be allowed on board, if space allows and safety permits. The following rules apply:

- a) Seating for passengers will always take priority over space for bikes.
- b) Bikes must be properly secured in the wheelchair securement station using a minimum of two securement devices. Once secured, the bike owner should find a seat near the bike.
- c) The driver may assist with bike securement, and may determine whether or not the bike is secured properly.
- d) If a rider in a wheelchair is occupying the securement station, the bike will not be allowed on board.
- e) If either the wheelchair securement station or seating in the securement area is needed by a rider mid-journey, the bike will need to be removed. If there is no room to move the bike to a rack, the rider must get off the bus with his/her bike.

- f) Bikes will not be allowed to protrude into the aisle way.
- g) Bikes already secured inside the bus may remain inside even if space becomes available on the exterior bike rack.
- h) Muddy or greasy bikes are not permitted on the bus.