

# ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

TITLE: ANTI-IDLING  
CATEGORY: FACILITIES  
NUMBER: 4020

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## I. Rationale:

School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) believes that limiting idling times of all District vehicles and equipment can significantly assist in reducing air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions and fuel expense which will contribute to our commitment towards healthier work environments and efficient use of School District resources.

## II. Definition:

Idling means the operation of vehicles or equipment while they are not in motion and not being used to operate auxiliary equipment that is essential to the operation of the vehicle or equipment.

## III. Practices:

- A. Vehicle operators shall attempt to avoid unnecessary idling wherever possible and shall strive to set an example for other drivers in the community.
- B. Anti-idling signage will be posted in appropriate areas throughout the District.
- C. Except as noted below, idling of School District vehicles and equipment shall be limited to one (1) minute. This same limit shall also be adhered to by any employee operating his or her own vehicle while engaging in business on behalf of the School District.
- D. Contractors will be required to eliminate idling on school property that is not essential for the performance of their work or within the exceptions of this regulation.
- E. School bus contractors will be requested to limit idling while off school property.

## IV. Exceptions:

- A. Vehicles assisting in an emergency activity.
- B. Mobile workshops while they are in the course of being used for their basic function.
- C. Where idling is required as part of a repair process or to prepare a vehicle for servicing.
- D. Vehicles/equipment assisting in emergency activities that are using their orange flashing warning lights/beacons.
- E. Vehicles/equipment using lights while stationary during the hours of darkness or inclement weather.

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References: Policy 30 (Environmental Sustainability)