


**BUS DRIVER COMMUNICATION DEVICES; PRE-TRIP AND POST-TRIP INSPECTION;
AND BUS DRIVING COMMENTS**

Bus/Vehicle Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Inspection

All school bus drivers, whether employed by the School District or private sector school bus company, shall perform each of the following:

1. Comply with the applicable pre-trip inspection of the mechanical and safety equipment on the school bus listed on the School Bus Driver Pre-Trip Inspection Form (92 Ill.Admin.Code §§458.1030 and 458.Illustration A, School Bus Driver’s Pre-Trip Inspection Form). **Note:** 92 Ill. Admin. Code §458.1030(u) requires any variations from the form to be approved by the Dept. of Transportation by calling (217)785-3031 or writing to:
 Vehicle-Inspection Unit Manager
 Ill. Dept. of Transportation, Div. of Traffic Safety
 1340 North 9th St.
 P.O. Box 19212
 Springfield, IL 62794-9212
2. Test the cellular radio communication device or two-way radio and ensure that it is functioning properly before the bus is operated. 625 ILCS 5/12-816.
3. Perform a visual sweep for children or other passengers at the end of a route, work shift or workday by:
 - a. Activating interior lights of the school bus to assist the driver in searching in and under each seat (625 ILCS 5/12-816(c)), and
 - b. Walking to the rear of the school bus/vehicle checking in and under each seat (625 ILCS 5/12-816(b)).

If a mechanical post-trip inspection reminder system is installed, the driver shall comply with the requirements of that system. 625 ILCS 5/12-816(d).

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