SUBJECT: Passenger Bag Policy
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Purpose

Perry County Transit (PCT) permits customers to transport reasonable carry-on packages and personal items while ensuring the safety of passengers, employees, and vehicle operations. This policy establishes guidelines regarding the transportation and handling of carry-on items aboard PCT vehicles.

Policy

Customers may bring carry-on packages, personal items, groceries, bags, medical supplies, and similar belongings aboard PCT vehicles provided the items can be safely accommodated and transported without creating a safety or operational concern.

All carry-on packages and personal items must:

- Be capable of being safely handled by the customer, Personal Care Attendant (PCA), companion, and/or accompanying individual;
- Be transported to and from the vehicle in a single trip;
- Remain under the control of the customer at all times;
- Be safely secured or positioned so they do not shift, become loose, or act as a projectile during normal vehicle operation;
- Not block aisles, exits, doorways, securement areas, or operator visibility;
- Not interfere with the securement or safe transport of mobility devices;
- Not exceed the available capacity or safe operating limits of the vehicle; and
- Not create a hazard, nuisance, or disruption to passengers or transit operations.

Operator Assistance

Transit Operators may provide limited assistance with carry-on items only while the customer is boarding or alighting the vehicle and only when such assistance can be performed safely and without risk of injury to the employee, customer, or others.

Operators are not required to:

- Carry items beyond the immediate boarding or alighting process;
- Lift excessively heavy, bulky, or unsafe items;

- Make multiple trips for customer belongings; or
- Handle items in a manner that would compromise safety or delay service.

Excess or Unsafe Items

If a customer brings more items than can be safely transported or secured, the customer may:

- Reduce the number of items being transported;
- Arrange alternative transportation for remaining items; or
- Decline the trip.

PCT reserves the right to deny transportation of any item that presents a safety concern or interferes with safe vehicle operations.

Non-Discrimination

All determinations regarding carry-on items are based solely on legitimate safety and operational considerations and are not based on a customer's disability status.

Perry County Transit will administer this policy in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements, and applicable federal and state nondiscrimination regulations.