

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 3, 2025
TO: Assembly
FROM: Law Department
SUBJECT: Ordinance 2025-04 Amending the Commercial Passenger Vehicles (CPV) Chapter and Repealing the CPV Regulations



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Ordinance 2025-04 amends the CBJ code to be consistent with the Alaska state requirement that all regulations that contain a criminal or civil penalty provision be in ordinance form¹ and to consolidate all of the commercial passenger vehicle regulations into one CBJ code section for easier reference by the public and departments.

This ordinance copies all the information from the CPV regulations listed in CBJ Administrative Code Title 20, Chapter 40, and inserts it into the corresponding sections of CBJC 20.40.²

There are limited changes to the language already in the regulations, so the commercial passenger vehicles businesses should not see an interruption in permitting.

The main changes or additions to the code include amending:

- instances of the term “administrator” to “manager or manager designee” to be consistent throughout the code;
- CBJC 20.40.160(a)(3) Administrative sanctions and permit denials, to add an additional offense related to public safety: (h) Receiving 3 or more commercial passenger citations in the past 12 months;
- CBJC 20.40.210(a) to require the possession of a current state drivers license pursuant to State of Alaska law, rather than any state’s license;
- CBJC 20.40.310(a)(3) Marking standards, to include the requirement that the company name and current working phone number be on the back of the commercial vehicle in letters that are clearly readable and that each letter and number must be at least six inches high. In addition to the other marking standards, this ensures the public knows what company it is riding with and what number to call; and
- the insurance requirement language to “the holder must maintain commercial general liability insurance in an amount it deems reasonably sufficient to cover any suit that may be brought against the operator and in the amount as required by the manager” rather than a specific amount to allow insurance requirements to be lowered or raised when required, without having to amend the code. Current regulations have inconsistent and outdated insurance requirements.

¹ AS 29.25.070 Penalties, CBJC 01.60.110 Regulations, limitations.

² 20 CBJAC 40.100 – 595, CBJC 20.40 Commercial Passenger Vehicles.