

WESTMORELAND COUNTY

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Carry-On Rules and Regulations

The Westmoreland County Transit Authority (WCTA) understands that our passengers utilize our fixed- route transit services for their daily transportation needs which includes traveling to and from local shopping centers. This, at times, creates situations where our passengers have bags or other personal items that they need to carry-on our vehicles during their rides. In order to maintain continued safety and ensure a pleasant experience for all passengers, a reasonable policy has been developed related to such carry-on items.

The number of bags or other items that a passenger can carry-on to a vehicle is limited to the amount of such items that a single passenger can manage independently themselves. Drivers, other WCTA staff, and other unrelated passengers should not be expected to assist other passengers with the management of their carry-on bags or other items.

All items brought onto the vehicle should fit on the passenger's lap or below their feet, in the event of a connected empty seat being used to store items they must be removed if another passenger requests that seat regardless of the number of passengers on the vehicle when boarding. Items CANNOT be placed in the aisles, nor can they be stowed in the ADA securement areas. Passengers are responsible for and must also be in control of all items brought onto a vehicle at all times.

- The following items are NOT permitted on any WCTA vehicles:
- Large knives or other sharp objects;
- Gasoline or flammable liquids;
- Any container containing a liquid in excess of 1 gallon;
- Fireworks, firecrackers, handheld sparklers, or any other flammable materials;
- Furniture or mattresses;
- Open alcoholic beverages (alcoholic beverages must be in original unopened retail packaging) or alcoholic beverages over 100 proof;
- Inflated balloons;
- Car batteries or other corrosive materials;
- Non-medically necessary compressed gas vessels or cylinders (e.g.: propane tanks, fire extinguishers, CO2 cartridges, etc.);
- Animals other than a Service Animal (an animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of
 an individual with a disability emotional support animals are not considered Service Animals) must be in a pet carrier
 approved for travel;
- Assembled electric-powered equipment (e.g.: lawn mowers, weed whackers, chain saws, power washers, snow blowers, or other assembled equipment items);
- All engine-powered equipment fueled with gasoline or other liquid fuels (e.g.: lawn mowers, weed whackers, chain saws, power washers, snow blowers, etc. For reasons of safety, other items may be prohibited at the discretion of your driver.



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- Bikes are permitted in bike racks on the front of the vehicle. No bikes will be transported inside the vehicle unless there is a failure of the bike rack. Bikes are permitted to be put in the luggage compartments on the MCI commuter buses.
- All bikes are required to fit on the outside rack properly, no large tire bikes will be permitted if they do not fit in the bike rack.
- Electric bikes are permitted in bike racks on the front of the vehicle <u>only</u>. Electric bikes are not permitted to be stored on the inside of the vehicle at any time, regardless of whether the bike rack is in working order.

All passengers with strollers must secure the child, collapse the stroller and stow the stroller in the seat with them. Passengers will assume full responsibility for the safety of their child.

Shopping carts or wagons are NOT permitted on board the vehicle. Personal shopping carts that are designed to be pulled or pushed with two wheels are allowed. Passengers must always hold and be in control of their cart. ADA tie downs are not to be used on carts or strollers.