



Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 14

PART II

GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES

Public service vehicle operators' licences

13 Classification of licences.

- (1) A PSV operator's licence may be either a standard licence or a restricted licence.
- (2) A standard licence authorises the use of any description of public service vehicle and may authorise use either—
 - (a) on both national and international operations; or
 - (b) on national operations only.
- (3) A restricted licence authorises the use (whether on national or international operations) of—
 - (a) public service vehicles not adapted to carry more than eight passengers; and
 - (b) public service vehicles not adapted to carry more than sixteen passengers when used—
 - (i) otherwise than in the course of a business of carrying passengers; or
 - (ii) by a person whose main occupation is not the operation of public service vehicles adapted to carry more than eight passengers.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3)(b)(i) above, a vehicle used for carrying passengers by a local or public authority shall not be regarded as used in the course of a business of carrying passengers unless it is used by the public service vehicle undertaking of that authority.

Changes to legislation:

Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981, Section 13 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 18 March 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 51(1A)(1B) inserted by [1982 c. 49 s. 21\(4\)\(b\)](#)