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Fire extinguishers: Reg 260 of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000

- Only buses and minibuses used for reward and vehicles carrying dangerous goods require a fire extinguisher. In terms road traffic legislation.
- Please Note that there may be by-laws in a specific municipality that require fire extinguishers on goods vehicles. Prosecutions for such transgressions must be in terms of the by-law and not regulation 260.
- If the vehicles transport dangerous goods, they do need fire extinguishers in terms of SANS 1518.

Reg 260. Fire extinguishers

(1) *Every mini-bus operating for reward shall carry in a readily accessible position at least one fire extinguisher which shall be of—*

- the dry powder type with a capacity of at least one kilogram; or*
- the halogenated hydrocarbon type (BCF) with a capacity of at least one kilogram, and which shall be in good working order.*

(2) *Every bus operating for reward shall carry in a readily accessible position at least one fire extinguisher which shall be of—*

- the dry powder type with a capacity of at least two and a half kilograms; or*
- the halogenated hydrocarbon type (BCF) with a capacity of at least one kilogram, and which shall be in good working order.*

Regards

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