

# Michigan State Police

Crash Advisory # 19



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## **Bus Information - An update to the back of the UD-10 Reference Guide.**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has requested that the size (total seating) of a Bus (commercial or school) be identified when transmitting truck/bus crash data. This includes buses with 9 to 15 seats or buses with 16+ seating.

To easily accomplish this without changing the form, it was determined that instead of noting the total number of axles when recording bus information, a code of either B1 (indicating a 9 – 15 passenger bus) or B2 (indicating a 16+ passenger bus) would be entered.

On the back of the UD-10 reference guide, in the Type and Axles Per Unit area, this now reads:

NOTE: a Bus (commercial or school) is now designated by the number of seats in the vehicle (including the driver's) and will not list the number of axles. Use the following rules:

Mark Truck/Bus for Vehicle Type on the front of the UD-10 and then mark the appropriate Vehicle Type in the Truck/Bus section.

### **Type and Axles Per Unit:**

Enter **B1** in the first box if a bus has seating of 9 to 15 including the driver  
Enter **B2** in the first box if a bus has seating of 16+

Type and Axles Per Unit							
Enter the total number of axles for the truck or bus in the first box. Include the steering axle. There will always be at least two axles. Include axles whether they are on the ground or raised. Place the letter "T" before the number of axles if the truck is a truck tractor (equipped with a fifth wheel for towing, semi-trailer and there is no cargo body mounted on the truck.)							
Next, enter the total number of axles for each trailer by entering one trailer per box. Place an "S" before the number of axles if the trailer is a semi-trailer which is designated when a portion of the load is supported by the towing unit.							
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Mark Truck /Bus in Vehicle Type in the Unit section and mark appropriate vehicle type in the Truck/Bus section.							
For Type and Axles:							
Enter B1 in the first box if a bus has seating of 9 to 15 including driver							
Enter B2 in the first box if a bus has seating of 16+							
<b>Examples</b>							
							
2				T2	S1		
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
							
T2	S1	2		B2			
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th

*Please Distribute to All Personnel Who Complete or Review Traffic Crash Reports*

