



# Vehicle Assessment Committee Replacement Guidelines

## Policy

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#### **142 Vehicle Assessment Committee Replacement Guidelines**

1. New vehicles should be purchased for intended purpose only and not passed down to another function. Surplus vehicles should be reviewed for adaptability to other functional requirements.
2. As a benchmark, there should be a 25% replacement of fleet vehicles each year.
3. As a benchmark, vehicles should be reviewed by the projected miles at replacement time identified in #7 below.
4. The Purchasing Department shall make every attempt to purchase last year model vehicles as soon as budget is adopted.
5. Road & Bridge and Operations should rely on analysis similar to USDOT Equipment Management System.
6. All vehicles will still be reviewed by overall condition of the vehicle, including age, mileage, maintenance records and type of intended use.
7. The committee shall consider replacement of vehicles at a projected 25,000 miles over the mileage listed below, yet the Committee shall consider the following current mileage at time of request for replacement, realizing actual receipt of vehicles will be approximately 12 months after analysis.

TYPE	MILEAGE/REQ
Patrol – Vehicle	75,000
Patrol SUV	100,000
Warrant/Civil	80,000
Mental Health	80,000
Administrative	85,000
Vans	85,000
Maintenance Vehicle	85,000
CID	85,000
Diesel Vehicles	150,000

These guidelines are justified by the following factors:

1. EPA Emissions requirements cause problems for vehicles over 90,000 miles.
2. Cost to change equipment (light bars, radios, etc.) when transferred is expensive.
3. Replacement guidelines, once approved, will take several years to fully implement.
4. Purchasing vehicles for their intended use will save funds due to the fact that patrol vehicles cost more in the original purchase and are more costly to maintain.
5. Resale of surplus vehicles will generate more revenue if sold before all use is depleted.

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