

## Maximum number of passengers

A bus with seating positions for 13 or more adults, including the driver, must display the maximum number of passengers that may be safely carried on that bus. Bus operators must determine and maintain a record of this number.

The maximum number of passengers must be clearly displayed on an authorised notice on or in the bus.

Bus operators have until 31 December 2015 to display the authorised notices on all buses.

### Carrying capacity

The carrying capacity of a bus is:

- > determined by the manufacturer and specified on a compliance plate affixed to the bus, or
- > specified in a certificate issued by a licensed bus tester.

### Location of notices

A minimum of two notices must be displayed on the bus.

One must be inside the bus in a location that is clearly visible from the driver's seating position. The other must be in a conspicuous position on the outside of the rear of the bus.

### Circumstances where notices are not required

Bus operators accredited in another state or territory who are accredited to operate buses in Victoria are not required to display notices if:

- > the buses operated in Victoria are registered in the other state or territory
- > the regulator of that state or territory requires the bus operator to display notices on buses that specify the maximum number of passengers that may be carried.

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## What information must be displayed on the notice?

Notices must be on or in the bus and use letters that are at least 25 millimetres high and of proportionate width.

The Safety Director at Transport Safety Victoria (TSV) has authorised the following text to be displayed on a bus with seating positions for 13 or more adults.

**MAXIMUM SAFE CARRYING  
CAPACITY XX PASSENGERS**