

CITY OF WELLAND

POLICY

Policy Title: Idling of Corporate Vehicles and Equipment	
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Lead Role: City Engineer	Support Role: Fleet Supervisor
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Policy Statement:

That Council having approved Report Eng. 2005-01, "Idling of Corporate Vehicles and Equipment," the Policy herein be instituted accordingly as outlined below.

The following parameters are that part of the policy regarding the Idling of Corporate Vehicles and Equipment, with the intent to limit unnecessary idling of corporate vehicles and equipment.

- 1) Limit idling to no more than (3) minutes in a given 60 minute period, except for the following circumstances:
 - The engine is necessary to perform work outside of the vehicle or piece of equipment.
 - The cab of the vehicle or piece of equipment must be occupied when the ambient air temperature is:
 - a) More than Twenty Seven (27) degrees Celsius, or
 - b) Less than Five (5) degrees Celsius
 - The equipment on the vehicle is in danger of freezing during cold weather (i.e. Fire Trucks with water, Street Flush Truck, Buses)

The following are further procedures to abide by in respect to idling of Corporate Vehicles and Equipment:

- 1) If a vehicle or piece of equipment is stationary for a period exceeding or expected to exceed three (3) minutes, turn off the engine.
- 2) Upon starting a cold engine, and after a 30 second stabilization period and/or until sufficient air pressure is available for the braking system, the vehicle/equipment should be warmed up by slowly operating it until up to proper temperature, rather than idling while parked.
- 3) Proper route and work planning by an operator and his or her supervisor is necessary prior to engine start-up in the reduction of unnecessary idling.
- 4) Education and training of all operators of corporate vehicles and equipment shall be an integral part in the enforcement of these procedures.

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- 5) Each supervisor is responsible for ensuring that their respective operators of vehicles and/or equipment within their jurisdiction are aware of, and adhere to, the established written procedures.