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Summary of Major Revisions to NDE Rule 92 -- Effective 7.1.19
Minimum Equipment Standards & Safety Inspection Criteria
for Pupil Transportation Vehicles

	All statutory/regulatory language was removed -- only statutory cites remain in Rule.
002.03	Revised motor coach definition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GVW must exceed 33,000 pounds • Semi-monocoque/monocoque unitized body construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Skin/shell of vehicle acts as a single unit with the supporting frame of the vehicle. • Designed to seat at least 32 passengers • Deleted “front doors only” and “no rear emergency exit.”
002.05	Definition of Route clarified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Route means a designated course regularly traveled by a pupil transportation vehicle to pick up students from home or pickup points and take them to school or other locations related to a student’s instructional program or to deliver students from school to their homes or designated drop-off points.
003.04A	Reference to 49 USC Secs. 30112 and 30125, 49 CFR Part 501 added – A person cannot sell a new vehicle that carries more than 10 passengers, that does not meet school bus specifics and that will be used primarily to transport school students to school or school events.
005.02	Aisle: Aligned with National School Transportation Specifications & Procedures – 2015 (NSTSP 2015): Deleted minimum clearance and height of seats; added track system being exempt.
005.05	Body Sizes: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added inside body height of Type A-1 bus.
005.06	Brakes: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added requirement for parking pawl or park interlock; added reference to FMVSS No. 105.
005.07	Bumper, Front: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Clarified grade information.
005.09	Certification: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added statement - vehicles must meet Nebraska Minimum standards that are not included in FMVSS requirements.
005.11	Clutch: Removed Section to align with NSTSP 2015.
005.10	Color: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Clarified trim color, color of body, cowl, hood, wheels; clarified Retro Reflective Sheeting, added statement that MFSAB exempt.
005.12	Construction: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added placement of cylinder, added dust-proof/watertight construction requirement.
005.15	Cooling Systems: Removed to align with NSTSP 2015.
005.13	Defrosters: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added name of SAE requirement J381.
005.14	Doors: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to buses with left side entrance; added specs for determining entrance door safety glass placement; added emergency release valve for power operated doors; Replaced current emergency exit requirements with NSTSP 2015:.
005.16	Electrical System: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added clarification to battery tray; added battery shut-off switch as an option; buses with lifts or A/C required to be equipped with highest rated capacity alternator available; specified buses over 15,000 lbs. must have alternator with minimum output rating of 200; added requirement for manual noise suppression switch.
005.18	Exhaust System: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added requirement for size and placement of tailpipes; added insulation requirement, added treatment systems requirement when loading/unloading; clarification of diesel exhaust fluid emission standard.

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005.19	Fenders, Front: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Clarified measurement criteria.
005.22	Fuel Tank: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added requirement of complying with fire codes when installing alternative fuel systems.
005.23	Fuel Alternative: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Deleted current section and inserted new section.
005.24	Governor: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Deleted reference to requirement for a tachometer.
005.25	Handrails: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added Handrail Regulation.
005.26	Heating Systems: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added A/C specifications for buses equipped with A/C.
005.28	Identification: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added minimum 12” high letters on top of bus.
005.29	Instruments and Instrument Panel: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added minor clarifications.
005.31	Interior: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added criteria for optional interior overhead storage compartments.
005.38	Passenger Load: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added clarification to Actual GVW.
005.42	Seats & Restraining Barriers; Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added specific seat back height of 24”; added reference to FMVSS – School Bus Passenger Seating and Crash Protections; added lap belt criteria for optional child safety restraint systems; added section on pre-school age seating on school buses.
005.53	Tires & Rims: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Deleted use of re-capped tires and acceptable tread depth for front tires.
005.56	Transmission: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added “shifter” to transmission interlock.
005.59	Undercoating: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added new language for undercoating section.
005.62	Windows: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added statement that windshields shall comply with federal, state and local regulation.
007.06	Passenger Capacity: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to diagram for Wheelchair and envelope in appendix.
007.07	Power Lifts & Ramps: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to FMVSS No. 403 and No. 404)
007.08	Regular Service Entrance: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added language to provide additional handrail as an option.
007.09	Restraining Devices: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added clarification for type of vehicle; added reference to FMVSS No. 210.
007.10	Seating Arrangements: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to FMVSS No. 222.
007.11	Wheelchair Tie down & Occupant Restraint System: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to SAE J2249; added specifications for supplying adjustment device on occupant restraint system.
007.15	Support Equipment & Accessories: Aligned with NSTSP 2015: Added reference to previous section in Rule.
009	Adopting “2015 Inspection Criteria” as replacement for Inspection Criteria currently in Rule 92.
Appendix J	80 Day Inspection Criteria adopted from NSTSP 2015.
Appendix M	Wheelchair or Mobility and Envelope: New addition from NSTSP 2015.

