

**COUNTY OF ORANGE**  
**EXECUTIVE ORDER**  
No. 3 of 2009

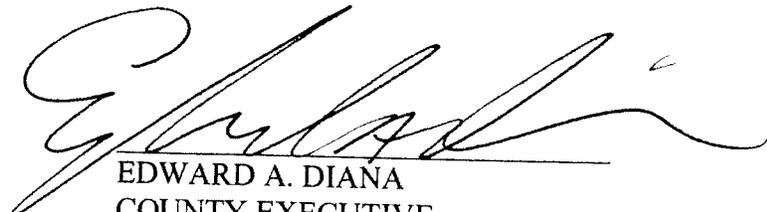
Pursuant to the powers vested in me by virtue of Section 3.02 of the Orange County Charter, I hereby promulgate the following policy and procedures relating to the use of County vehicles as an order to be binding upon all County employees and officers including elected officers. This order shall take effect immediately. This Executive Order supplements and is in addition to Executive Order No. 2 of 2006, relating to the use of County Vehicles.

This policy shall apply to the use of any County motor vehicle whether owned, leased or otherwise under the jurisdiction of Orange County. This policy shall apply to all employees, officers and officials of the County. The use of the term "employee" herein shall mean all County employees, officers and officials.

1. No employee shall allow or permit the engine of a County motor vehicle to idle for more than three consecutive minutes when the motor vehicle is not in motion, except that this provision shall not apply when:
  - a. A motor vehicle is forced to remain motionless because of traffic or adverse weather conditions affecting the safe operation of the vehicle, over which the operator thereof has no control;
  - b. Regulations adopted by a federal, state or local agency having jurisdiction require the maintenance of a specific temperature for passenger comfort, in which case the idling time may be increased to the extent necessary to comply with such regulations;

- c. An engine is being used to provide power for an auxiliary purpose that is essential to the basic operation of the vehicle, including, but not limited to loading, discharging, mixing or processing cargo; hydraulic lifts, controlling cargo temperature; construction; or when operation of the engine is required for the purpose of maintenance;
- d. The ambient air temperature is less than 32 degrees Fahrenheit (0 degrees Celsius) or more than 80 degrees Fahrenheit (27 degrees Celsius)
- e. The primary propulsion engine of a vehicle is being operated at idle to conform to manufacturer's warm-up and cool-down specifications, or for maintenance or diagnostic purposes.
2. The provisions of section 1 shall not apply to fire trucks, police or other law enforcement vehicles, emergency medical services and other emergency vehicles and equipment, or other vehicles actively performing emergency services or responding to or assisting an emergency, including snow and ice removal, while performing in the scope of their duties.
3. The provisions of section 1 shall not apply to on-road heavy duty vehicles, as defined by 6 NYCRR § 217-3.1. Heavy duty vehicles shall comply with and are subject to New York State Law prohibiting the idling of heavy duty vehicles, including the provisions of the Environmental Conservation Law, and Title 6 of the New York Code Rules and Regulations, §§ 217-3.1 and 217-3.2.
4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated: May 20, 2009



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