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## **Private Use**

1. General Statutes §14-247, Private Use of Publicly Owned Vehicles, provides:

"It shall be unlawful for any officer, agent or employee of the State of North Carolina, or... County ... to use for any private purpose whatsoever any motor vehicle of any type or description whatsoever belonging to the... County .... It is not a private purpose to drive a permanently assigned state-owned motor vehicle between one's official work station and one's home as provided in G.S. 143-341(8)i7a."

- 2. Personal use is prohibited. County vehicles are to be used for official County business only, and shall not be used for the convenience of the employee with regard to transportation needs or other non-business activities.
- 3. The County acknowledges that its employees may need at times, to keep personal items and information stored in or on County Owned Property. However, due to security and accountability concerns, all employees can have no expectation of privacy for personal items/information stored on or in Publicly Owned Vehicles and Publicly Owned Vehicles are subject to inspection at anytime without any prior notice. This includes the installation of a GPS device to track the whereabouts of the Publicly Owned Vehicles.
- 3. 4. County vehicles may be used to travel to a nearby restaurant for lunch where the costbenefit in travel time to the work quarters for a personal vehicle would not be in the best interest of the County.
- 4. 5. Each Department Director will provide the General Services Department a list of County vehicles assigned for overnight use. The list must include the vehicle number, driver's name and driver's license number.
- 5. 6. Department Directors shall immediately notify the General Services Department of any driver changes to assigned vehicles. Failure to provide driver changes may result in revocation of an assigned vehicle.