

# JOB ANALYSIS SUPPLEMENT FOOT FUNCTIONS

Job Title:	Transit Operator	DOT Title:	Bus Driver (motor trans.)
SVP:	4	DOT #:	913.463-010
Location of Analysis:		Name of Employee:	
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## Operating Controls with Feet Dominant Foot: Right X Left X

Continuously for 2 hours at a time for up to 8 hours total in a work shift while driving the bus. Must be able to depress the accelerator as well at the air brake pedal continuously.

Brief description of which positions are required and which tasks are performed in each position:

King County Metro operates several different makes and models of buses, with operator foot controls described as follows: The driver's right foot rests on the floor, a raised plate or heel cups directly in front of the throttle and brake pedals. The driver will operate each pedal independently of one another, requiring movement of the foot from one pedal to the other. The driver seat adjusts forward and back as indicated to provide a range of distances. The measured maximum force to fully engage the brake system at fully charged status is the maximum force required, obtained through 3 measurement trials at both quick and slow application.

Frequency and duration of pressure application will vary by route and bus. Measurements include replication of panic stop from 20 mph with 3 seconds of severe application, to measured stops taking 5 -10 seconds to make a smooth, controlled stop on level ground at speeds of 5 and 20 mph. Retarder function allows for the transmission to assist in the braking application at speeds above 8 mph. under normal braking conditions. All busses have some sort of retarder at this time. There are now electric mode busses with the dynamic braking system coupled with the air brakes, with a reduction in overall weight of the coach due to this conversion, brake force pressures are actually slightly less.

It is noted that there are many elements that can affect the total brake pedal force needed when operating a coach. Gross vehicle weight can vary based upon occupancy, fuel level etc. Wear stages of brake pads and components; driving on inclines or declines can also affect the amount of force that an Operator may need to use in a shift.

Some coaches have hill holder mode, which is activated by depressing the brake pedal with 20 lbs. of force for three seconds. It is deactivated by depressing the accelerator pedal.



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Bus Make/Model	Throttle-Brake Lateral Distance	Degree of Pedal Pronation	Brake Pedal Neutral Angle	Brake Pedal Max Angle
2800 60' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25
4500 60' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25
4300 40' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25
6000 60' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25
6200 60' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25
7000 40' Orion	5"	10	43	25
8000 60' New Flyer	5"	10	43	25

Bus Make/Model	Close seat pan to	Far seat pan to pedal	Average Peak	Average Peak
	pedal tip distance	tip distance	Force under	Force – Panic
			gradual stopping	Stop (1-3 sec
			(5-10 sec	duration)
			duration)	
2800 60' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(no sliding pedals)	(no sliding pedals)		
4500 60' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		
4300 40' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		
6000 60' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		
6200 60' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		
7000 40' Orion	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		
8000 60' New Flyer	18.5"	26"	15-20 lbs.	53.5 lbs.
	(with 3" sliding pedals)	(with 3" sliding pedals)		

Turn signals on the 4500 60' Tolley and 8000 60' Coach are operated with the left foot utilizing 5 lbs. of force. The signal buttons are mounted on a raised platform.

Turn Signals on the Orion 7000 are operated with with the left foot, utilizing floor mounted buttons that take 9-10 lbs. of pressure to operate.



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### Analyst's Comments:

#### **Possible Employer Modifications:**

Assistance can be called in for chain installation and use of sand. Assistance can be called in to push wheelchairs up the ramp. Assistance is available to open or close roof vents/emergency exits.

**Note:** The information for this job analysis was gathered by either on-site observation, interview and / or is representative of the labor market as indicated on page one. Additional data may have been obtained from standardized industry resources such as the DOT, GOE, COJ, OOH, WOIS and O-NET. On occasion, practicality and feasibility prevent the direct observation and/or gathering of objective, quantifiable data. For this reason, a "best estimate" may have been used.

#### Presenting VRC signature:

Vocational Consultant	Date	Vocational Consultant	Date	
Employer Verification:		Employee Verification: (optional)		
Name	Date	Name	Date	



The employee *temporarily* cannot perform this job based on the following physical limitations:

Anticipated release date:

**Treatment plan:** 

The employee is *permanently* restricted from performing the physical activities described in this job analysis based on the following physical limitations (state objective medical findings):

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Signature		Date	
Print Name			
Attending Physician	Consulting Physician	Pain Program Physician	
IME Physican	PCE Therapist	OT / PT Therapist	
PEP Physician			