

What is CTR?

In 1991, the Washington State Legislature passed the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Law. CTR Law requires employers to work with employees to reduce the number and length of drive-alone commute trips. (See RCW 70A.15.4040.)

Who is affected?

If your worksite has 100+ employees arriving at work between the hours of 6am and 9am, your company may be affected. Additionally, some sites are affected by the city's CTR ordinance as a condition of a City permit.



Requirements for Employers

- Designate an Employee Transportation Coordinator
- Develop a CTR Program to help employees reduce drivealone commute trips
- Administer an employee <u>Survey</u> every two years
- Submit an annual <u>Program Report</u> every year
- Inform employees of alternatives to driving alone and commuter benefits at least once a year





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Sustainable Transportation Options

- Transit: bus, train, rail, Metro Flex, etc.
- Active Transportation: walk, bike, roll
- Carpool
- Vanpool
- Telework
- Compressed Work Week



CTR Survey

Every other year, employers conduct a CTR survey of employees to measure progress toward CTR goals.





Performance Targets

To calculate performance targets, a 3% reduction in drivealone rate (DAR) is used for each worksite. Worksites without a current worksite DAR will have a performance target established during the 2023-2025 survey cycle.

Performance Target Formula

Current worksite DAR % x 97% = DAR Performance Target

Example: A Tukwila worksite's current DAR is 60.0% 60.0% x 97% = 58.2% DAR Performance Target



Program Report

Every year, employers fill out a questionnaire that asks about the strategies and program elements your organization uses to promote sustainable commute options to employees, such as transportation benefits.

- Employers report on programs currently in place to encourage alternatives to drive-alone commuting to their worksites.
- Program Reports are reviewed for their completeness, inclusion of mandatory program elements, and the likelihood the program will result in trip reduction.



Promotion

Presentations, flyers, and company messages about your CTR program are useful tools that help your employees learn about and try alternative commutes. Details covered typically outline commute options and include:

- Name and contact information of your Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC)
- Commuting resources
- Company policies that influence commute choice



CTR Documents & Resources

- City of Tukwila <u>CTR Ordinance #2201</u>
- RCW 70A.15.4040, State CTR Law
- City of Tukwila 2025-2029 CTR Plan
- City of Tukwila Website <u>tukwilawa.gov/ctr</u>
- WSRO (Washington State Ridesharing Organization)
- TRANSP-TDM listserv <u>subscribe</u>
- Qualified Fringe Benefit (<u>Section 132(f)</u> of the Internal Revenue Code) allow employees to use pre-tax income to purchase a transit pass or Vanpool/Vanshare fare

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