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**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 143, §71H and c. 30A, §2, the Recreational Tramway Board will hold a virtual public hearing relative to its regulations (526 CMR 10.00). Specifically, the proposed changes remove outdated references in these regulations as well as make changes designed to remove unnecessary requirements and assist in business operations. This includes clarifying definitions, updating signage requirements, and tailoring tramway testing requirements to the specific type of tramway. A small business impact statement has been filed with the Secretary of State's Office. The Board will hold the public hearing as follows (pre-registration is not required):

**Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.:**

By videoconference

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting>

Meeting ID: 295 757 960 237 0

Passcode: R4jo7Lw9

Or call in to:

(857) 327-9245, Phone Conference ID: 838 392 19#

Interested Parties will be given an opportunity to present testimony orally at this hearing. The Board will also accept written comments regarding the regulations received prior to the hearing via email at [OPSI-info@mass.gov](mailto:OPSI-info@mass.gov) or by mail at this address:

Recreational Tramway Board  
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Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, July 15, 2025**. A copy of the proposed regulations may be obtained at the Board's web site located at: <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/office-of-public-safety-and-inspections> or by contacting the Board office directly at the above address or by phone: (617) 727-3200. Once all testimony is received, the Board intends to conclude the hearing and immediately convene a regular board meeting to finalize the regulations, and the public is welcome to attend that regular board meeting.



## Small Business Impact Statement

*(As required by M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2, 3 & 5)*

**CMR No: 526 CMR 10.00: RECREATIONAL TRAMWAYS**

**Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation:** fewer than 30

**Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain**

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports?</b>  This regulation does not create an additional reporting requirement.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures?</b>  This regulation does not mandate additional recordkeeping.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight?</b>  This regulation is not being amended to create additional administrative oversight.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation?</b>  This regulation does not create regulatory burdens requiring the hiring of additional employees.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)?</b>  This regulation does not create regulatory burdens requiring the hiring of professionals.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation?</b>  This regulation does not mandate purchasing a product or making other investments.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective?</b>  The board is tasked with imposing licensure requirements for recreational tramways; design standards are more appropriate than performance standards in this safety context.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation?</b>  No other regulations are known to duplicate or conflict with this section.
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities?</b>  Licensees of the Recreational Tramway Board are currently subject to inspections and regulatory enforcement activities in order to ensure that safety standards are maintained.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements?</b>

		This regulation does not mandate educational services.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?</b>  This regulation adopts requirements necessary for the licensure of tramways and is not anticipated to deter the formation of any businesses, as such businesses would want to operate safely.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?</b>  This regulation adopts requirements necessary for the licensure of recreational tramways, and is not anticipated to encourage the formation of any businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</b>  Licensees of the Recreational Tramway Board are subject to inspections and regulatory enforcement activities in order to ensure that safety standards are maintained; lesser safety standards for small businesses would not be appropriate in this context.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</b>  This regulation does not include, alter, or amend any schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting for small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</b>  Licensees of the Recreational Tramway Board are subject to inspections and regulatory enforcement activities in order to ensure that safety standards are maintained; reduced safety standards for small businesses would not be appropriate in this context.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective?</b>  The board is tasked with imposing licensure requirements for recreational tramways; design standards are more appropriate than performance standards in this safety context.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?</b>  The board is tasked with imposing licensure requirements for recreational tramways; there are no alternative regulatory methods available in order to achieve that objective.