

October 15, 2014

Flat Rates for Whistler-YVR Limousine Trips

The Board intends to set minimum flat rates for limousine service between Whistler and the Vancouver International Airport (YVR).

The minimum flat rates are based on 4.5 hours. This is the amount of time normally required to provide a limousine trip, including deadheading, on this corridor. Table 1 sets the minimum flat rates that the Board proposes. Maximum rates are not being set.

Table 1: Proposed Minimum Flat Rates for Whistler-YVR

Types of Limos (pax.)	Minimum Hourly Rate	Planned Minimum Flat Rate	Planned Minimum Flat Rate (after 15% discount)
Sedan (3-5)	\$75	\$340	\$295
Mid-Size Limousines <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SUV (6-7)• Exec Van (6-11)	90	405	350
Stretch (8-11)	110	495	430
Stretch SUV (8-11)	150	675	585

The attached Backgrounder describes when and how flat rates may be charged. The Board intends to implement flat rates for Whistler-YVR trips on November 12, 2014.

Until October 31, 2014, comments and suggested adjustment may be sent to the Passenger Transportation Board at:

Email: ptboard@gov.bc.ca

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Contact Us: www.ptboard.bc.ca/contact_us.htm

Backgrounder

Minimum Flat Rates for Whistler-YVR Limousine Trips

The Board intends to amend its *Rates and Rules for Limousines for Victoria, Vancouver & Surrounding Areas* to add a minimum flat rate for Whistler-YVR trips. The intended minimum flat rates are set out in Table 1 in the Industry Advisory.

Applicability

Minimum flat rates will apply to all limousine operators that have a Special Authorization licence to pick up passengers from YVR or Whistler and drop them off at Whistler or YVR. The minimum flat rates will replace company-specific flat rates that the Board previously approved for Whistler-YVR trips.

Client-Requested Delays

When a passenger requests a stop or alternate route that extends the trip time by more than 15 minutes, limousine operators may apply additional time-based charges that have been communicated to the passenger before the trip began.

Base Rates & Optional Add-On Rates

Minimum flat rates include the base rate for providing transportation. Optional rates such as 'meet and greet' fees and parking fees may only be added to the minimum flat rate.

Discounts

A maximum discount of 15% will apply to minimum flat rates the way it applies to minimum and maximum hourly rates.

Hourly Rate Option

Licensees may choose to charge an hourly rate as long as:

- The hourly rates are in accordance with the minimum/maximum rates approved by the Board,
- The minimum charge is 4.5 hours, and
- Customers are informed prior to the start of the trip that rates are calculated on an hourly basis.

Minimum Flat Rates Only

Only a minimum flat rate will apply to Whistler-YVR trips. No maximum rates will apply to these trips. However, customers must be notified of the specific flat rate that applies at the time of an agreement for service between the licensee and the customer.

Comments

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More information

Rule | [Rates & Rules for Limos in Vancouver & Victoria Areas](#)

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