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Standard Taxi Rules take effect May 1

The Passenger Transportation Board is setting standard rules for taxi rates. These rules govern how taxicab rates are charged. They take effect May 1, 2011.

The Board's "Standard Board Rules for Charging Taxicab Rates" will replace existing taxi rules for individual taxi companies in British Columbia. The new rules will apply to metered and non-metered taxi rates. They will apply to individual companies with their own rates and to companies in areas with a common taxi rate.

We thank the people who commented on the draft rules we mailed in January 2011. The Board made some revisions based on these comments. The standard rules are now posted on the Board's webpage for rates at: <http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/ptb/rates.htm>.

We are also mailing a copy of the new rules to all taxi licensees. If a company-specific rule is needed, taxi companies can make a Change of Rates application. There is no application fee when an applicant only seeks Board approval regarding rules.