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Standard Rules for Taxi Rates

The Passenger Transportation Board is setting standard rules for taxi rates. These rules govern how taxicab rates are charged.

The standard rules will replace all taxi rules currently in force in the Province. This includes rules for individual companies as well as Board rules for common areas. The standard rules apply to both metered and non-metered taxi rates.

The standard rules have the following benefits:

- Make it clear to taxi companies, drivers and passengers how taxi rates are applied
- Improve consistency in the charging of rates
- Make rules more current and in line with Board policies
- These draft standard rules are posted on the Board's website at:
<http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/ptb/rates.htm> "Standard Taxi Rules – Draft"

We are mailing the draft rules to all taxi licensees. We are also sending them their current rules. We are inviting comments on the draft rules. We are allowing companies to ask to keep a current rule that is not in the draft rules.

We are asking that companies send in any comments to the Board by **February 18, 2011**.

After this date the Board will review the comments received and finalize the rules. We will mail licensees the final standard rules. Licensees will also be sent any supplemental rules that the Board approves for them.