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Industry Advisory

Conventional Taxis, Accessible Taxis and Maximum Fleet Size

The Passenger Transportation Board is revising the way it sets out the maximum fleet size for taxis in terms and conditions of licence.

The term "accessible taxi" will continue to describe vehicles that are equipped to carry persons who travel with a mobility aid. These vehicles are subject to vehicle standards set out in Division 44 of the Motor Vehicle Act Regulations. For all other types of taxis, the Board is now using the term "conventional taxi."

The change in terminology does not represent a change in Board policy; nor does it change the obligations of taxi licence holders. The term "non-accessible taxi" is being replaced with the term "conventional taxi" in the terms and conditions of taxi licences, in Board policies and in other Board documents.

Board Direction to Registrar of Passenger Transportation

Pursuant to section 31(3) of the *Passenger Transportation Act*, the Board is directing the Registrar to replace the term "non-accessible taxi" with "conventional taxi" wherever "non-accessible taxi" appears in the terms and conditions of a taxicab licence. Further, the Board is directing the Registrar to modify any "maximum fleet size" terms and conditions that refer to accessible taxis so they are consistent with the following wording:

Maximum Fleet Size: X motor vehicles of which a maximum of Y may be conventional taxis. All other vehicles are accessible taxis.