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## BC Options for Buying Wheelchair Accessible Taxis

Communities of all sizes need wheelchair accessible services. Taxi companies play a key role in providing on-demand, accessible transportation across BC. Further, the PT Board and its policies continue to promote the expansion of accessible taxi services in large and small communities.

The Board is aware that wheelchair accessible taxis are more expensive to purchase and operate than conventional taxis. Companies in smaller communities may wish to take advantage of the significant turnover of accessible vehicles in urban areas. ***The Board encourages taxi companies interested in purchasing wheelchair accessible taxis to contact a representative of one of the taxi associations in BC. Taxi associations can assist you in locating used taxis available for purchase.***

Please note:

- We understand that, from December to February each year, an increased number of used accessible taxis are available for sale by companies in Metro Vancouver
- Vehicles must be inspected and meet applicable motor vehicle regulation standards
- Taxi associations can also help identify accessibility training resources for drivers

For more information and strategies for taxi companies to enhance the accessibility of their transportation services, see the PT Board report, [Wheelchair Accessible Transportation by Taxi and Inter-city Bus in British Columbia: Update 2017](#).

### More Info

- PT Board [Accessible Transportation Webpage](#)

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