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Activation of licences

Context

Applicants are expected to activate a licence within a reasonable time, particularly to address any identified public need. The Board considers public need for a service when it approves a new application, amendments to existing licenses, or applications for additional vehicles.

Applicability

This policy applies to:

- New licences, transfers (PDVs)
- Additional vehicles (PDVs)

Policy

New licence, transfers (PDVs)

Applicants are typically required to activate at least 50% of the vehicles approved in a decision within 6 months of the date of this decision.

Unless the Board orders otherwise, if no vehicles are activated, the Board’s approval of the Special Authorization expires:

1. If less than 50% of the vehicles are activated within the 6-month period, the outstanding vehicles cannot be activated after the 6-month period without Board approval.

2. If an applicant requires an extension beyond 6 months, it must make a request to the Board before the end of the 6-month activation period.

Additional vehicles (PDVs)

Typically, a licensee is required to activate the additional vehicles within 6 months of the date of the decision. Any additional vehicles that have not been activated within 6 months are no longer approved and the maximum fleet size on the licence is reduced accordingly, unless the Board orders otherwise.

New licence, transfers (PDVs) - Urgent public need applications

Applicants are typically required to activate at least 50% of the vehicles approved in a decision within 60 days of the date of the decision.

Unless the Board orders otherwise,

- If no vehicles are activated, the Board's approval of the Special Authorization expires.
- If less than 50% of the vehicles are activated within the 6-month period, the outstanding vehicles cannot be activated after the 6-month period without Board approval.

If an applicant requires an extension beyond 60 days, it must make a request to the Board before the end of the 60-day activation period.

Additional vehicles (PDVs) - Urgent public need applications

The licensee must activate the additional vehicles within 45 days of the date of the decision. Any additional vehicles that have not been activated within 45 days are no longer approved and the maximum fleet size of the licensee is reduced accordingly unless the Board orders otherwise.

New licence, transfers (ICBs)

The Board typically requires an ICB applicant to activate at least 1 vehicle within 6 months of the date of this decision.

If an applicant requires an extension beyond 6 months, it must make a request to the Board before the end of the 6-month activation period.

New licence, transfers (ICBs) - Urgent public need applications

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Approvals to amend an authorization

Unless otherwise specified by the Board, approvals for amendments to licenses become effective:

1. When the applicant meets the requirements of section 29(1) of the Act, or
2. When the licence is renewed pursuant to section 34.

Legislation

Passenger Transportation Act

28 (3) The board may establish terms and conditions that apply to a special authorization included in a licence, if issued, including, without limitation, terms and conditions respecting any of the following…

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