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Department of Executive Administration Director's Rules,
Implementing Seattle Taxicab Ordinance.

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**THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DIRECTOR'S RULE
IMPLEMENTING SEATTLE TAXICAB ORDINANCE
RULE 6.310.320 P**

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 P Vehicle Type and Size.

Vehicles proposed for service as taxicabs or for-hire vehicles must meet the following type and size requirements:

- (1) **Type:** sedan, station wagon, sport utility vehicle (SUV), or van designed to carry not more than ten (10) persons excluding the driver. Sedans, station wagons, and SUV must have a minimum of four (4) doors.
- (2) **Size:**
 - (a) Sedan, station wagon, SUV - seating capacity for at least four (4) passengers.
 - (b) Van - must meet applicable requirements of the American's with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended. No dual rear axle vans or dual rear wheel vans.

This version supersedes the previous SR 6.310.320 P, which took effect October 24, 2005.

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**THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 P**

DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

I Fred H. Podesta, Director of the Department of Executive Administration of the City of Seattle, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law, that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Seattle Rule 6.310.320.P entitled "Vehicle Type and Size" as adopted by the City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration.

DATED this 13 day of September, 2007.

CITY OF SEATTLE,
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By: *Fred Podesta*
Fred H. Podesta, Director
Department of Executive Administration

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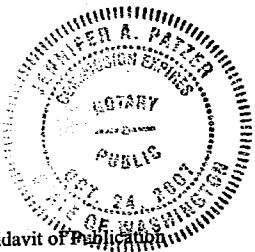
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DIRECTOR'S RULE
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RULE 6.310.320 L

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 L Taximeters.

Taximeters must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Each taxicab shall pass a taximeter test **at least once per year**. Additional tests shall be required if the taximeter security seal is broken, the taxicab owner is replacing the vehicle, or as the Director requires in order to confirm that the taximeter is functioning properly.
- (2) Taximeter tests shall be performed following procedures contained in the most recent version of *Handbook 44 Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices*, as amended, published by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST). All taximeters placed in service after July 5, 1997 must have a Certificate of Conformance issued by the National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM) proving compliance with the National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP).
- (3) No taximeter test will be performed on a vehicle during a change of vehicle until the vehicle safety inspection is completed with no violations.
- (4) All taximeter tests will be scheduled by appointment only. If the taxicab is late for an appointment scheduled by the Director, the appointment will be cancelled, a \$50 monetary penalty will be assessed against the vehicle owner, and 2 penalty points will be assessed against the taxicab association.
- (5) For the purpose of this rule, a taximeter will not be considered to be "functioning properly" unless it has receipt paper and can print a receipt. The printed receipt must include all the following information: taxicab name and number, date, start and end time of trip, distance traveled, fare, additional charges (extras, surcharges), and total fare.

SR 6.310.320 K, Taximeter Tests, which took effect April 1, 2001, is hereby repealed.

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RULE 6.310.320 L**


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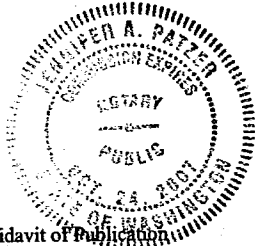
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATORY REVISIONS

DEPARTMENT OF EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Executive Administration is proposing to amend the following rules:

Seattle Rule 2.110.020, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.030, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.040, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.050, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.060, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.070, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.080, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.090, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.100, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.110, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.120, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.130, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.140, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.150, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.160, Department of Executive Administration
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 Seattle Rule 2.110.190, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.200, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.210, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.220, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.230, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.240, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.250, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.260, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.270, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.280, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.290, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.300, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.310, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.320, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.330, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.340, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.350, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.360, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.370, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.380, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.390, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.400, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.410, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.420, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.430, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.440, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.450, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.460, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.470, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.480, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.490, Department of Executive Administration
 Seattle Rule 2.110.500, Department of Executive Administration

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT:
 The Department of Executive Administration has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed rules. The public hearing will be held in Conference Room 3000 City Hall, Seattle, Washington, on August 28, 2007. The public hearing will be held in Conference Room 3000 City Hall, Seattle, Washington, on August 28, 2007.

Comments:
 Comments on the proposed rules should be submitted to the Department of Executive Administration, 3000 City Hall, Seattle, Washington, 98101, by August 28, 2007. Comments should be submitted to the Department of Executive Administration, 3000 City Hall, Seattle, Washington, 98101, by August 28, 2007.

Address:
 Department of Executive Administration
 3000 City Hall
 Seattle, WA 98101

Attest:
 Fred H. Poulos, Director, Department of Executive Administration

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DIRECTOR'S RULE
IMPLEMENTING SEATTLE TAXICAB ORDINANCE
RULE 6.310.420 A

Seattle Rule 6.310.420 A **Written and Oral Examination.**

- (1) The written examination will be administered by the Director and the scope of the written examination will be as follows:
- (a) One portion of the examination will test the applicant's knowledge of vehicle standards and for-hire driver requirements contained in Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 6.310 and these administrative rules. It will include taxicab and for-hire driver requirements dealing with operating a taxicab or for-hire vehicle, conduct, rates, driver-passenger relations, soliciting and cruising, and taxi zones. This portion will also address taxicab vehicle standards dealing with safety, defensive driving, driver appearance, driver communication skills, sensitivity to special needs of handicapped passengers, how to make proper change, knowledge of risk factors for crimes against taxicab and for-hire drivers, emergency procedures, and taxicab safety equipment.
 - (b) A second portion of the examination will test the applicant's knowledge of geography and history of Seattle, King County, and surrounding areas. The applicant will be required to use a map during the examination.
 - (c) The form and scoring of the written examination will be as follows:
 - (i) Form: questions shall be true/false, multiple choice, matching, and completion or short answer.
 - (ii) Scoring: the applicant must pass both portions of the examination, at the same sitting, with a score of 80% correct or better.
- (2) The oral examination will be administered through certified program(s) or a contractor, as determined by the Director, and shall test the applicant's ability to speak and understand English sufficiently to perform the responsibilities of a taxicab or for-hire driver.
- (a) An applicant will be considered to have passed this portion of the examination if he/she achieves a raw score of 80 using the Basic English Skills Test (BEST).
 - (b) The opportunity to retake the examination at no cost, as specified in SMC Section 6.310.420 C, shall not apply to the oral English proficiency examination.
 - (c) An applicant for a for-hire driver license shall not be required to take the BEST if he/she provides evidence of graduation from a high school in the United States (diploma, certified transcript of grades showing award of degree, GED) or other evidence, specifically approved by the Director that proves that the applicant possesses equivalent proficiency in spoken English.

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RULE 6.310.420 A**

DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

I Fred H. Podesta, Director of the Department of Executive Administration of the City of Seattle, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law, that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Seattle Rule 6.310.420.A entitled "Written and Oral Examination" as adopted by the City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration.

DATED this 13 day of September, 2007.

CITY OF SEATTLE,
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By: Fred Podesta
Fred H. Podesta, Director
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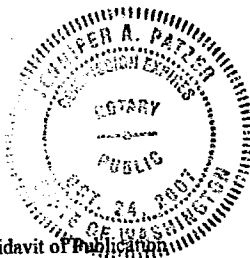
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION AND PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT

City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration, 500 South Dearborn Street, Seattle, WA 98104-1400, proposes to amend the City of Seattle Code (SCC) to update the City of Seattle Code (SCC) to reflect the changes to the City of Seattle Code (SCC) No. 1077, which was adopted by the SMC on August 10, 2007. The amendments to the SCC are: 1) SCC 2.210.020, C. 2.210.020, D. 2.210.020, and E. 2.210.020. The amendments to the SCC are proposed for adoption and will become effective on September 10, 2007.

Seattle Rule 2.210.020, C. 2.210.020, D. 2.210.020, and E. 2.210.020.

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PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT

The Department of Executive Administration has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed rules from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2007. The public hearing will be held in Conference Room 4028 (6th floor) of the Seattle Municipal Center, 500 South Dearborn Street, Seattle, WA 98104-1400.

The public hearing is open to all interested parties. All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comments on the proposed rules. Comments should be submitted in writing to the Department of Executive Administration, 500 South Dearborn Street, Seattle, WA 98104-1400, by August 10, 2007.

The public hearing is open to all interested parties. All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comments on the proposed rules. Comments should be submitted in writing to the Department of Executive Administration, 500 South Dearborn Street, Seattle, WA 98104-1400, by August 10, 2007.

For more information, contact the Department of Executive Administration, 500 South Dearborn Street, Seattle, WA 98104-1400, or call (206) 435-7000.

Frank H. Pender, Director, Department of Executive Administration

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 U

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 U **Global Positioning system.**

Each vehicle licensed as a taxicab must have a permanently installed and properly operating Global Positioning System (GPS). The GPS must be monitored by the taxicab association dispatchers and must provide a reliable, continuous "real time" indication of the location of the taxicab. The GPS may be part of a computer dispatch system or an Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system.

- (1) **Permanently installed.** The GPS equipment cannot be removable from the taxicab.
- (2) **Reliable.** The GPS coverage must be available for the entire service area of the taxicab.
- (3) **Real time.** Locations must be captured and displayed real time (no delays).
- (4) **Monitored.** The taxicab locations displayed by GPS must be monitored by the taxicab association at all times whenever an affiliated taxicab is operating. (see SMC 6.310.230 A6).
- (5) **Records.** The taxicab association must maintain dispatch records (see SMC 6.310.230 G).

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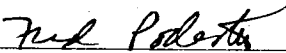
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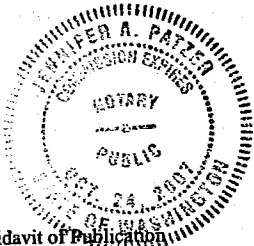
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 G

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 G **Vehicle Safety Inspections.**

- (1) Each taxicab and for-hire vehicle shall pass a vehicle safety inspection as part of the vehicle license process and for changes of vehicle. Additional inspections may be required by the Director based upon the vehicle's violation history.
- (2) The vehicle safety inspection fee is included in the annual license fee except that there are additional fees prescribed at SMC 6.310.150 B. Re-inspections are required for all Class A or Class B violations found during the safety inspection at the test station or during street enforcement. Vehicles will not be inspected until all outstanding fees are paid in full.
- (3) All vehicle safety inspections, with the exception of vehicle inspections on the street, will be scheduled by appointment only. If a taxicab or for-hire vehicle is late for an inspection required by the Director, the appointment will be cancelled, the vehicle license will be suspended, a \$50 monetary penalty will be assessed against the vehicle owner, and 2 penalty points will be assessed against the taxicab association.
- (4) A Notice of Violation will be issued for Class A violations and a Summary Suspension will be issued for Class B safety violations. When re-inspection or reinstatement fees are charged, no monetary penalty will be imposed. Penalty points will be assessed against taxicab associations for violations found during vehicle safety inspections at the Test Station. The points will be assessed in accordance with SMC 6.310.605 A2.
- (5) Vehicle safety inspections shall include inspection of the following:
 - (a) Color scheme and logos on all vehicles must be the same color and shade as the color chips and photographs, uniform color over entire vehicle;
 - (b) Trade name and vehicle number markings;
 - (c) Metal taxicab vehicle license plate and year decal (taxicabs) or windshield license decal (for-hire vehicles);
 - (d) Rate information. Must conform to the proper content, size and location (see SR 6.310.320 I);
 - (e) Passenger information displays. Must conform to the proper content, size and location (see SR 6.310.320 M);
 - (f) Windshield wiper and defroster;
 - (g) Mirrors, rear and left side view. Must be free of cracks and defects;
 - (h) Windshield and other windows. Windshield must be free of cracks, chips or defects that could interfere with driver's vision. Other windows must be intact and must open and close properly, no decals, posters, or other materials on windows;
 - (i) Door handles and locks. No devices are allowed on the vehicle that could restrict the ability of a passenger from readily exiting the vehicle in an emergency;
 - (j) Braking system, including emergency brake, must be capable of holding vehicle on a thirty (30) degree incline with gear selector in neutral;

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- (k) Head lights, tail lights, parking lights, turn signal lights, brake lights, back-up lights, license plate lights, side lights, and emergency flashers. All lights and flashers must be covered with undamaged lenses of appropriate type and color, all light bulbs must work properly ;
- (l) Tires, including spare (with tire jack and handle) must be properly inflated, have minimum tread depth required by RCW 46.37.425 (2/32 inch), and be free of defects;
- (m) Horn;
- (n) Interior panels must be free of tears and dirt;
- (o) Interior lights and driver instrument displays (speedometer, odometer, gear selection indicator, seat belt warning light, and engine warning system);
- (p) Floor covering - no metal showing, undamaged, clean floor mats;
- (q) Upholstered area and headliner - clean, no tears;
- (r) Seats - clean, unbroken and fastened securely, no tears, no exposed springs, wires or framework, all the same type and color;
- (s) Seat belts for driver and each passenger position must be clean and operate properly;
- (t) Accelerator, brake, emergency brake, and clutch pedals must each have rubber foot pads in good condition, no exposed metal;
- (u) Trunk or luggage area -floor covering, clean, free of offensive odors and litter (nothing in trunk except spare tire, tire jack and handle, emergency tools, child car seat);
- (v) Bumpers, grills, and body molding - no decals, bumper stickers or advertisements unless specifically approved by the Director (see SR-6.310.320 R);
- (w) Body defects (dents, creases, blemishes, ripples, rust or holes) which impair the appearance or serviceability of the vehicle - violations include:
 - (i) A body defect six (6) linear inches or greater and where the deepest point of depression is one-quarter (1/4) inch or greater; or
 - (ii) A body defect three (3) inches in width or greater and three (3) inches in height or greater and where the deepest point of depression is one-quarter (1/4) inch or greater; or
 - (iii) Any defect which is one-half (1/2) inch at the deepest point of depression regardless of width or height; or
 - (iv) Exterior paint which is not uniform in color, does not completely cover the vehicle, or is not in compliance with approved color scheme.
- (x) Wheels must be properly aligned, matching hubcaps or wheel covers, wheel rims of uniform type, size and color;
- (y) Steering system;

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- (z) Suspension system;
- (aa) Exhaust system - no exhaust leaks, no damage to muffler or tail pipe, no missing support for tail pipe;
- (bb) Heating system and air conditioning system (if installed);
- (cc) Radio - proper frequencies, operates properly;
- (dd) Taximeter (taxicabs only) - sealed by city taxicab inspector , receipt-issuing, receipt paper installed;
- (ee) Top light - activated by use of taximeter;
- (ff) Gas cap for fuel fill;
- (gg) Security camera - type and installation approved by Director, operating properly, required privacy sign posted (see SR 6.310.320 S);
- (hh) Silent alarm - hidden switch, installation approved by Director (see SR 6.310.320 T),
- (ii) GPS system - type and installation approved by Director, operating properly (see SR 6.310.320 U).

Note: All equipment must operate properly and all damage must be repaired. Replacement equipment shall meet manufacturer's original specifications.

- (6) Any licensed vehicle inspected and found to contain a mechanical, structural, or safety defect may be required to obtain a new Certificate of Safety from an approved ASE-certified technician. Vehicles which have been involved in an accident may be required to obtain a new Certificate of Safety from an approved ASE-certified technician.
- (7) Violations that are determined to present a "clear, substantial and imminent hazard to life, safety, or property" shall result in a summary suspension of the vehicle license. These "safety" violations include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) Inoperable windshield wiper or defroster;
 - (b) Damaged or missing mirrors;
 - (c) Windshield with crack or defect in driver's viewing area (above hood line and below rear view mirror) - cracks exceeding one (1) inch in size;
 - (d) Inoperable door handles, windows, or locks;
 - (e) Inadequate brake or emergency brake;
 - (f) Inoperable headlight (low beam), tail light, turn signal light, or brake light;
 - (g) Tires with insufficient tread or defects, un-inflated spare tire or missing tire jack or handle, or tires of different size on the same axle;
 - (h) Inoperable horn;

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- (i) Inoperable speedometer or gear selection indicator;
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- (k) Inoperable or missing seat belts;
- (l) Rubber pads worn to exposed metal from accelerator, brake, emergency brake or clutch pedals;
- (m) Steering system defect;
- (n) Suspension system defect;
- (o) Inoperable two-way mobile telephone or radio;
- (p) Gas cap for fuel fill;
- (q) Exhaust system leak;
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DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

I Fred H. Podesta, Director of the Department of Executive Administration of the City of Seattle, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law, that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Seattle Rule 6.310.320.G entitled "Vehicle Safety Inspections" as adopted by the City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration.

DATED this 13 day of September, 2007.

CITY OF SEATTLE,
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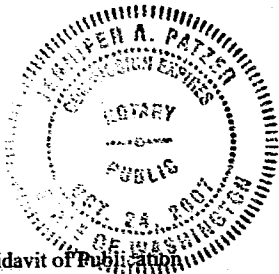
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RULE 6.310.420 A

Seattle Rule 6.310.420 A **Written and Oral Examination.**

- (1) The written examination will be administered by the Director and the scope of the written examination will be as follows:
- (a) One portion of the examination will test the applicant's knowledge of vehicle standards and for-hire driver requirements contained in Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 6.310 and these administrative rules. It will include taxicab and for-hire driver requirements dealing with operating a taxicab or for-hire vehicle, conduct, rates, driver-passenger relations, soliciting and cruising, and taxi zones. This portion will also address taxicab vehicle standards dealing with safety, defensive driving, driver appearance, driver communication skills, sensitivity to special needs of handicapped passengers, how to make proper change, knowledge of risk factors for crimes against taxicab and for-hire drivers, emergency procedures, and taxicab safety equipment.
 - (b) A second portion of the examination will test the applicant's knowledge of geography and history of Seattle, King County, and surrounding areas. The applicant will be required to use a map during the examination.
 - (c) The form and scoring of the written examination will be as follows:
 - (i) Form: questions shall be true/false, multiple choice, matching, and completion or short answer.
 - (ii) Scoring: the applicant must pass both portions of the examination, at the same sitting, with a score of 80% correct or better.
- (2) The oral examination will be administered through certified program(s) or a contractor, as determined by the Director, and shall test the applicant's ability to speak and understand English sufficiently to perform the responsibilities of a taxicab or for-hire driver.
- (a) An applicant will be considered to have passed this portion of the examination if he/she achieves a raw score of 80 using the Basic English Skills Test (BEST).
 - (b) The opportunity to retake the examination at no cost, as specified in SMC Section 6.310.420 C, shall not apply to the oral English proficiency examination.
 - (c) An applicant for a for-hire driver license shall not be required to take the BEST if he/she provides evidence of graduation from a high school in the United States (diploma, certified transcript of grades showing award of degree, GED) or other evidence, specifically approved by the Director that proves that the applicant possesses equivalent proficiency in spoken English.

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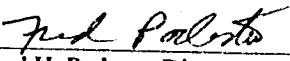
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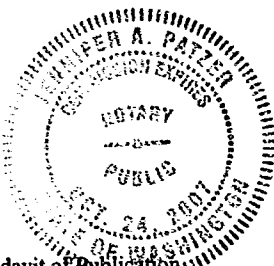
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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED
RULE-MAKING HEARING AND
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The City of Seattle, Washington, through the
Department of Executive Administration (DEA)
Consumer and Small Business (CSB) is
proposing to amend several existing rules
and create several new rules to
implement Sections 21A.010 of Ordinance
No. 121728, which amends Sections SMC
Sections 21A.010, 21A.020 and 21A.030. The
amended rules are Seattle Rules 21A.010
(I), 21A.020 (I) and 21A.030 (I). The amend-
ing rules are proposed to take effect and will
become effective on September 14, 2007.

Seattle Rule 21A.010 (I) Vehicle Safety

Seattle Rule 21A.020 (I) Insurance

Seattle Rule 21A.030 (I) Vehicle Type
and Size

Seattle Rule 21A.010 (II) Advertising
Display Permits

Seattle Rule 21A.020 (II) Sign-
Posting System

Seattle Rule 21A.030 (II) Written and
Oral Examination

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT
The Department of Executive Administration
has scheduled a public hearing on the pro-
posed rules from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM on
Monday, September 10, 2007. The public
hearing will be held in Conference Room
1080 (404th floor) of the Seattle Municipal
Center.

Persons who are interested in the proposed
rules are invited to present comments or argu-
ments with respect to the proposed rules dur-
ing the hearing or in writing at or before the
hearing. Written comments should be mailed or
delivered to:

Department of Executive Administration
Consumer and Small Business
Seattle, WA 98101
E-mail: csb@seattle.gov

The public may inspect a copy of the pro-
posed rules at the Office of the Consumer
Affairs Unit, 405 South Dearborn Street. If
you would like a copy of the proposed rules,
please call (206) 236-1296 or send an email,
fax or letter to the address above.

Dated: August 28, 2007.

Fred H. Rozenda, Director, Department of
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**THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 G**

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 G Vehicle Safety Inspections.

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- (1) Each taxicab and for-hire vehicle shall pass a vehicle safety inspection as part of the vehicle license process and for changes of vehicle. Additional inspections may be required by the Director based upon the vehicle's violation history.
 - (2) The vehicle safety inspection fee is included in the annual license fee except that there are additional fees prescribed at SMC 6.310.150 B. Re-inspections are required for all Class A or Class B violations found during the safety inspection at the test station or during street enforcement. Vehicles will not be inspected until all outstanding fees are paid in full.
 - (3) All vehicle safety inspections, with the exception of vehicle inspections on the street, will be scheduled by appointment only. If a taxicab or for-hire vehicle is late for an inspection required by the Director, the appointment will be cancelled, the vehicle license will be suspended, a \$50 monetary penalty will be assessed against the vehicle owner, and 2 penalty points will be assessed against the taxicab association.
 - (4) A Notice of Violation will be issued for Class A violations and a Summary Suspension will be issued for Class B safety violations. When re-inspection or reinstatement fees are charged, no monetary penalty will be imposed. Penalty points will be assessed against taxicab associations for violations found during vehicle safety inspections at the Test Station. The points will be assessed in accordance with SMC 6.310.605 A2.
 - (5) Vehicle safety inspectors shall include inspection of the following:
 - (a) Color scheme and logos on all vehicles must be the same color and shade as the color chips and photographs, uniform color over entire vehicle;
 - (b) Trade name and vehicle number markings;
 - (c) Metal taxicab vehicle license plate and year decal (taxicabs) or windshield license decal (for-hire vehicles);
 - (d) Rate information. Must conform to the proper content, size and location (see SR 6.310.320 I);
 - (e) Passenger information displays. Must conform to the proper content, size and location (see SR 6.310.320 M);
 - (f) Windshield wiper and defroster;
 - (g) Mirrors, rear and left side view. Must be free of cracks and defects;
 - (h) Windshield and other windows. Windshield must be free of cracks, chips or defects that could interfere with driver's vision. Other windows must be intact and must open and close properly, no decals, posters, or other materials on windows;
 - (i) Door handles and locks. No devices are allowed on the vehicle that could restrict the ability of a passenger from readily exiting the vehicle in an emergency;
 - (j) Braking system, including emergency brake, must be capable of holding vehicle on a thirty (30) degree incline with gear selector in neutral;

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- (k) Head lights, tail lights, parking lights, turn signal lights, brake lights, back-up lights, license plate lights, side lights, and emergency flashers. All lights and flashers must be covered with undamaged lenses of appropriate type and color, all light bulbs must work properly ;
- (l) Tires, including spare (with tire jack and handle) must be properly inflated, have minimum tread depth required by RCW 46.37.425 (2/32 inch), and be free of defects;
- (m) Horn;
- (n) Interior panels must be free of tears and dirt;
- (o) Interior lights and driver instrument displays (speedometer, odometer, gear selection indicator, seat belt warning light, and engine warning system);
- (p) Floor covering - no metal showing, undamaged, clean floor mats;
- (q) Upholstered area and headliner – clean, no tears;
- (r) Seats – clean, unbroken and fastened securely, no tears, no exposed springs, wires or framework, all the same type and color;
- (s) Seat belts for driver and each passenger position must be clean and operate properly;
- (t) Accelerator, brake, emergency brake, and clutch pedals must each have rubber foot pads in good condition, no exposed metal;
- (u) Trunk or luggage area -floor covering, clean, free of offensive odors and litter (nothing in trunk except spare tire, tire jack and handle, emergency tools, child car seat);
- (v) Bumpers, grills, and body molding – no decals, bumper stickers or advertisements unless specifically approved by the Director (see SR-6.310.320 R);
- (w) Body defects (dents, creases, blemishes, ripples, rust or holes) which impair the appearance or serviceability of the vehicle - violations include:
 - (i) A body defect six (6) linear inches or greater and where the deepest point of depression is one-quarter (1/4) inch or greater; or
 - (ii) A body defect three (3) inches in width or greater and three (3) inches in height or greater and where the deepest point of depression is one-quarter (1/4) inch or greater; or
 - (iii) Any defect which is one-half (1/2) inch at the deepest point of depression regardless of width or height; or
 - (iv) Exterior paint which is not uniform in color, does not completely cover the vehicle, or is not in compliance with approved color scheme.
- (x) Wheels must be properly aligned, matching hubcaps or wheel covers, wheel rims of uniform type, size and color;
- (y) Steering system;

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- (z) Suspension system;
- (aa) Exhaust system - no exhaust leaks, no damage to muffler or tail pipe, no missing support for tail pipe;
- (bb) Heating system and air conditioning system (if installed);
- (cc) Radio - proper frequencies, operates properly;
- (dd) Taximeter (taxicabs only) - sealed by city taxicab inspector , receipt-issuing, receipt paper installed;
- (ee) Top light - activated by use of taximeter;
- (ff) Gas cap for fuel fill;
- (gg) Security camera - type and installation approved by Director, operating properly, required privacy sign posted (see SR 6.310.320 S);
- (hh) Silent alarm - hidden switch, installation approved by Director (see SR 6.310.320 T);
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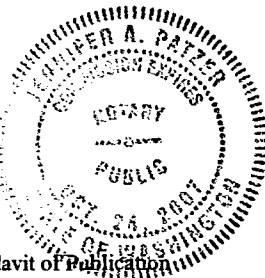
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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED
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The City of Seattle is currently in the process of revising its City Charter. The proposed revisions are being prepared by the City Charter Commission, a body established by the City Council in 1997. The Commission is currently reviewing the proposed revisions and will hold a public hearing on the proposed revisions on August 29, 2007. The public hearing will be held at the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108. The public hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will last until 9:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held in the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108. The public hearing will be held in the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108.

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT

The Department of Executive Administration has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed revisions to the City Charter. The public hearing will be held on August 29, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108. The public hearing will be held in the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108.

Written comments should be mailed to the Department of Executive Administration, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108. The public may inspect a copy of the proposed revisions at the office of the City of Seattle, 4000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108. If you would like a copy of the proposed revisions, please call (206) 386-1200 or send an email, fax or letter to the address above.

David August 29, 2007
Fred H. Anderson, Director, Department of Executive Administration
Date of publication in the Sun in the Daily Journal of Commerce, August 29, 2007.
(206) 386-1200

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RULE 6.310.320 L

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 L **Taximeters.**

Taximeters must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Each taxicab shall pass a taximeter test **at least once per year**. Additional tests shall be required if the taximeter security seal is broken, the taxicab owner is replacing the vehicle, or as the Director requires in order to confirm that the taximeter is functioning properly.
- (2) Taximeter tests shall be performed following procedures contained in the most recent version of *Handbook 44 Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices*, as amended, published by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST). All taximeters placed in service after July 5, 1997 must have a Certificate of Conformance issued by the National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM) proving compliance with the National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP).
- (3) No taximeter test will be performed on a vehicle during a change of vehicle until the vehicle safety inspection is completed with no violations.
- (4) All taximeter tests will be scheduled by appointment only. If the taxicab is late for an appointment scheduled by the Director, the appointment will be cancelled, a \$50 monetary penalty will be assessed against the vehicle owner, and 2 penalty points will be assessed against the taxicab association.
- (5) For the purpose of this rule, a taximeter will not be considered to be "functioning properly" unless it has receipt paper and can print a receipt. The printed receipt must include all the following information: taxicab name and number, date, start and end time of trip, distance traveled, fare, additional charges (extras, surcharges), and total fare.

SR 6.310.320 K, Taximeter Tests, which took effect April 1, 2001, is hereby repealed.

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PLANS OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS, ORDINANCES AND ORDINANCES TO COMPLY

Public Hearing Notice

The Department of Executive Administration (DEA) proposes to amend the following rules and regulations:

- Seattle Rule 2.110.010 - General
- Seattle Rule 2.110.020 - Signs
- Seattle Rule 2.110.030 - Advertising Displays on Tents
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PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT:
The Department of Executive Administration has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed rules from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2007. The public hearing will be held in Conference Room 4098 (4th floor) of the Seattle Municipal Center, 4900 University Avenue, Seattle, WA 98108.

Public Comment: All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comments on the proposed rules. Comments should be submitted in writing at or before the hearing.

Written comments should be mailed to:
Department of Executive Administration
Attn: [Name]
Seattle, WA 98108

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed rules at the Office of the Consumer Affairs Director, 200 South Dearborn Street. If you would like a copy of the proposed rules, please call (206) 465-7100 or send an email, fax or letter to the address above.

Dated: August 28, 2007
Fred H. Hansen, Director, Department of Executive Administration
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Seattle Rule 6.310.320 L Taximeters.

Seattle Municipal Code Section 6.310.320 L reads as follows:

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No taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensed by the City may lawfully operate within the city of Seattle unless the following minimum vehicle requirements are met:

L. The taxicab is equipped with a properly sealed, working, and accurate receipt-issuing taximeter or receipt-issuing mobile data terminal as prescribed by the Director (suspension and Class B). The receipt-issuing taximeter or receipt-issuing mobile data terminal must be installed when the taxicab is replaced, but not later than June 30, 2006 (denial of license).

Taximeters must meet the following requirements:

1. Each taxicab shall pass a taximeter test at least once per year. Additional tests shall be required if the taximeter security seal is broken, the taxicab owner is replacing the vehicle, or as the Director requires in order to confirm that the taximeter is functioning properly.
2. Taximeter tests shall be performed following procedures contained in the most recent version of Handbook 44 Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices, as amended, published by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST). All taximeters placed in service after July 5, 1997 must have a Certificate of Conformance issued by the National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM) proving compliance with the National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP).
3. No taximeter test will be performed on a vehicle during a change of vehicle until the vehicle safety inspection is completed with no violations.
4. All taximeter tests will be scheduled by appointment only. If the taxicab is late for an appointment scheduled by the Director, the appointment will be cancelled, a \$50 monetary penalty will be assessed against the vehicle owner, and 2 penalty points will be assessed against the taxicab association.
5. For the purpose of this rule, a taximeter will not be considered to be "properly working" unless it has receipt paper and can print a receipt. The printed receipt must include all the following information: taxicab name and number, date, start and end time of trip, distance traveled, fare, additional charges (extras, surcharges), and total fare.

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Rule 6.310.320 K, Taximeter Tests, which took effect _____, is hereby repealed.

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RULE 6.310.320 P

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 P Vehicle Type and Size.

Vehicles proposed for service as taxicabs or for-hire vehicles must meet the following type and size requirements:

- (1) **Type:** sedan, station wagon, sport utility vehicle (SUV), or van designed to carry not more than (10) persons excluding the driver. Sedans, station wagons, and SUV must have a minimum of four (4) doors.
- (2) **Size:**
 - (a) Sedan, station wagon, SUV - seating capacity for at least four (4) passengers.
 - (b) Van - must meet applicable requirements of the American's with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended. No dual rear axle vans or dual rear wheel vans.

This version supersedes the previous SR 6.310.320 P, which took effect October 24, 2005.

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DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

I Fred H. Podesta, Director of the Department of Executive Administration of the City of Seattle, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law, that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Seattle Rule 6.310.320.P entitled "Vehicle Type and Size" as adopted by the City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration.

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By:

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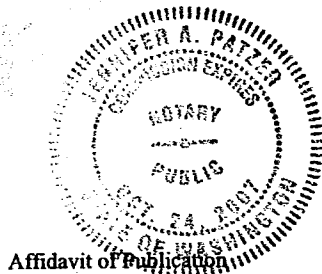
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Seattle Rule 6.310.320 P Vehicle Type and Size.

Seattle Municipal Code subsection 6.310.320 P reads as follows:

No taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensed by the City may lawfully operate within The City of Seattle unless the following minimum vehicle requirements are met:

- P. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle meets the minimum size requirements as prescribed by Director's rule (denial of license);

The following rule provides guidance for implementing this provision as authorized by the Seattle Municipal Code.

Vehicles proposed for service as taxicabs or for-hire vehicles must meet the following type and size requirements:

1. **Type:** sedan, station wagon, sport utility vehicle (SUV), or van designed to carry not more than ten (10) persons excluding the driver. Sedans, station wagons and SUV must have a minimum of four (4) doors.

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¶ Station wagon - at least 160 cubic feet of passenger and cargo volume.

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 R

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 R **Advertising displays on Taxicabs.**

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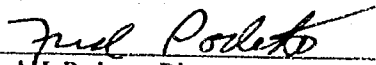
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DATED this 15 day of September, 2007.

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RULE 6.310.320 U

Seattle Rule 6.310.320 U **Global Positioning system.**

Each vehicle licensed as a taxicab must have a permanently installed and properly operating Global Positioning System (GPS). The GPS must be monitored by the taxicab association dispatchers and must provide a reliable, continuous "real time" indication of the location of the taxicab. The GPS may be part of a computer dispatch system or an Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system.

- (1) **Permanently installed.** The GPS equipment cannot be removable from the taxicab.
- (2) **Reliable.** The GPS coverage must be available for the entire service area of the taxicab.
- (3) **Real time.** Locations must be captured and displayed real time (no delays).
- (4) **Monitored.** The taxicab locations displayed by GPS must be monitored by the taxicab association at all times whenever an affiliated taxicab is operating. (see SMC 6.310.230 A6).
- (5) **Records.** The taxicab association must maintain dispatch records (see SMC 6.310.230 G).

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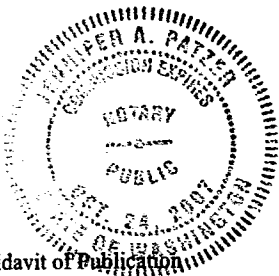
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