



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE relating to for-hire driver's licenses; increasing fees; adding a new fee; correcting dates; and amending Ordinance 10498, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 6.64.025 and Ordinance 10498, Section 25, and K.C.C. 6.64.450.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this ordinance changes for-hire driver fees within the records and licensing services division.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 10498, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 6.64.025 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The following nonrefundable fees for taxicab and for-hire vehicles shall apply:

A. Taxicab or for-hire vehicle license

Taxicab	\$450.00
Wheelchair accessible Taxicab	No fee
Taxicab late fee	\$45.00
For-hire vehicle	\$450.00
For-hire vehicle late fee	\$45.00
Vehicle equipment change	\$75.00
Change of owner: ((Sept/Feb)) <u>July/Dec</u>	\$450.00
((March/Aug)) <u>Jan/June</u>	\$225.00

Replace taxicab plate	\$25.00
B. For-hire driver	
Taxicab and for-hire license	(\$75.00) <u>\$95.00</u>
Late fee	\$15.00
ID photo	\$5.00
Fingerprinting	per charge authorized by RCW 10.97.100
Replacement license	\$5.00
Training fee	per contract
<u>Rescheduling fee</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>

SECTION 3. Ordinance 10498, Section 25, and K.C.C. 6.64.450 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A. The taxicab vehicle owner shall notify the director within five working days whenever a taxicab is destroyed, rendered permanently inoperable, or is sold.

B. A replacement vehicle must be placed in service within sixty days of the date the original vehicle is removed from service unless prior written permission has been obtained from the director. It is the intent of this section that the director in granting such permission gives due consideration to the operating situation of the permit holder on a case-by-case basis. The following guidelines are to be used in granting permission for a permit holder to take longer than sixty days in placing a replacement vehicle in service:

1. The licensee must submit a written request for an extension of time, stating the specific reason additional time is required and identifying a plan and timetable for placing the replacement vehicle in service. Written documents sufficient to substantiate the factual information contained in the request should also be submitted;

2. The plan and timetable submitted must reflect a reasonable approach for placing the vehicle in

service within the shortest possible time frame;

3. An additional period of time not to exceed sixty calendar days may be granted to a permit holder in case of severe personal illness or other similar hardship;

4. An additional period of time not to exceed thirty calendar days may be granted to a licensee in case of extensive vehicle repairs or other similar reason;

5. No extensions will be granted to any permit holder who is unable to meet the basic operational costs, including liability insurance, regulatory fees(,) and normal maintenance and repairs of operating a taxicab vehicle;

6. No more than one extension in time will be granted for each vehicle permit during its license year ((September 1 through August 31)).

C. When a permit holder permanently retires any taxicab vehicle from service and does not replace it within ((60)) sixty days, the permit for each retired vehicle shall be considered abandoned and null and void. The permit holder shall immediately surrender each related taxicab plate to the director. Such abandoned permits may not be

restored or transferred by any means.

SECTION 4. This ordinance takes effect January 1, 2010.