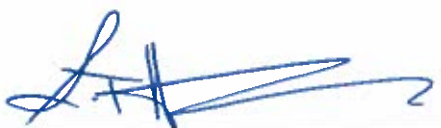




WINNIPEG PARKING AUTHORITY
Vehicle for Hire Division
VEHICLE FOR HIRE REGULATIONS

SUBJECT:	ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	VFH-18-005
CATEGORY:	Vehicle for Hire	REVISION DATE: April 12, 2019
PURPOSE:	To outline the specifications for a vehicle for hire to be classified as accessible.	
REFERENCE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vehicle for Hire By-law 129/2017, section 35(1)• Vehicle for Hire By-law 129/2017, section 38(2)• Vehicle for Hire By-law 129/2017, section 49(2)	
<p><u>General</u></p> <p>The above noted sections of the Vehicle for Hire By-law ("the By-law") provide authority for the designated employee to specify the following requirements with respect to accessible vehicles for hire as outlined in the noted schedules to this Regulation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accessible Vehicle Specifications, Schedule A;• Driver Training Requirements, Schedule B <p>The training requirements outlined in Schedule B apply to both PTP drivers and to taxi drivers. In accordance with section 35(1) of the By-law, a PTP dispatcher must not register an individual as an accessible PTP driver unless the required training is completed. Section 49(2) of the By-law requires completion of training in order for an accessible taxi driver licence to be issued.</p>		
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**Vehicle for Hire Regulation 18-005
Schedule A**

Accessible Vehicle Specifications

In order to be considered an accessible vehicle for the purposes of the Vehicles for Hire By-law, the entire vehicle shall conform to the current Motor Vehicles for the Transportation of Persons with Physical Disabilities Standard, published by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC). As of December 2017, the current standard is CAN/CSA-D409-16.

Applications and renewals for accessible taxi licences, or registration as an accessible vehicle for hire must be accompanied by an inspection certificate or letter from the vehicle builder confirming compliance with this standard. As of February 28, 2018, certification inspections may be carried out by Northland Healthcare.

The above noted standard is available at <https://www.scc.ca/en/standardsdb/standards/28539>

A vehicle which was the subject of an accessible taxi business licence as of February 28, 2018 may apply to the City seeking application of the SCC safety standard in effect on the date of manufacture of the vehicle or the installation/conversion with all equipment required for its intended purpose. The application must include information identifying in detail the variance from the current standard, and an inspection certificate confirming compliance with the standard to be applied. However, even if approved by the City, application of the SCC safety standard in effect on the date of manufacture of the vehicle or the installation/conversion with all equipment required for its intended purpose is only temporary; the vehicle must meet the current standard as of **March 1, 2019**.

**Vehicle for Hire Regulation 18-005
Schedule B**

Accessible vehicle for hire driver training

Any driver providing accessible vehicle for hire service must complete the specified training, whether they are a taxi driver or a PTP driver. A list of approved training courses which deliver the specified training is listed in Appendix 1 to this Schedule.

In order to qualify for a licence or registration as an accessible vehicle for hire driver, an individual must demonstrate the knowledge and skills to

- a) properly secure the wheelchair or mobility aid of every passenger so equipped with a securement device that meets the specifications for accessible vehicles
- b) inform every occupant of the occupant restraint system available for his or her use, and assist in use of the occupant restraint system if the passenger so desires.

Failure to perform these actions when providing service would demonstrate a lack of knowledge and skills and therefore would be considered a violation of Section 64 of the VFH By-law.

Effective March 1, 2019, the following offence is in place in accordance with Section 61.1:

Fail to comply with Highway Traffic Act rule for restraining passengers and securing wheelchairs - \$500 fine.

Completion of an approved training course shall be deemed to be demonstration of the required knowledge and skills.

To retain eligibility as an accessible vehicle for hire driver, an individual must successfully complete an approved refresher course every two years.

A driver that that has previously demonstrated the required knowledge and skills and has not maintained a licence or registration as an accessible vehicle for hire driver must complete the refresher course before being considered eligible to provide accessible service.

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Approved Accessible Driver Training Courses

Approved training courses to demonstrate required knowledge and skills include:

Course Name	Course Provider	Duration
Accessibility Transportation Training	Independent Living Resource Centre (ILRC)	One (1) day

Approved refresher training courses include:

Course Name	Course Provider	Duration
Accessibility Transportation Refresher Training	Independent Living Resource Centre (ILRC)	Three(3) hours