NEW Public Chauffeur Rules incorporate suggestions and ideas from the Taxicab Driver Fairness Taskforce and the Taxicab Industry

New Ordinance Laws:
Effective October 19, 2016, amendments to MCC Section 9-104-050 eliminate requirement for public chauffeurs to submit drug test results and physical exam certifications in connection with public chauffeur licensing application.

New Public Chauffeur Rules:
(Effective September 12, 2016)

RULE CH1.04: Livery (restricted) chauffeurs with experience can upgrade to taxi chauffeur license without taking the course, but must still take the taxi chauffeur exam.

RULE CH2.04: Instead of automatically requiring courses upon specific liability findings, course requirement will be based on the fact specific complaints/cases.

RULE CH5.01: States discrimination of any protected class is prohibited.

RULE CH5.08: The term “discourtesy” was eliminated.

RULE CH5.09: Eliminated the current practice where chauffeur licenses are routinely confiscated when citations are issued. Chauffeur licenses may only be confiscated based on specific circumstances.

RULE CH5.13 (a): Allows for electronic format leases and no longer limits lease agreements to paper format.

RULE CH5.16: Allows a public chauffeur to charge the applicable fare rates when traveling to return a lost article to the owner upon owner’s prior consent.

Rule CH11.01: Reduced “repeated offense” time frame from 60 months to 12 months.

Rule CH11.02: Reduced maximum fine for Non-Aggravated First Offense to $100.

Revised Public Chauffeur Rules:
(Effective September 12, 2016)

RULE CH1.06 (f): Raises the threshold from one to two driving violations resulting in a public chauffeur licensee being required to take a driving course.

RULE CH2.01: Raises denial threshold from 3 complaints to 4 or more convictions within a 12 month period.

RULE CH3.02: Raises grace period to renew chauffeur license before starting as new applicant from six months to one year.

RULE CH4.01: Raises time frame to report address change to BACP from 72 hours to thirty (30) days.

RULE CH5.08 (e): Clarifies when hands-free electronic device use is permitted.

RULE CH5.17: Added the term “reasonable” to passenger requests.

RULE CH8.03 (c): Note a significant change to the maximum minutes allowed per Short Trip from the airports:
(1) From 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., 60 minutes is the allowed maximum time frame for a taxi chauffeur to return to the airport after the trip was initiated.
(2) From 8:31 p.m. to 6:29 a.m., 45 minutes is the allowed maximum time frame for a taxi chauffeur to return to the airport after the trip was initiated.

Section 10: New Taxi Chauffeur Rebate Program created to reimburse new taxi chauffeurs’ costs for biometric background checks and the Olive-Harvey Public Chauffeur Training Course.

NEW Public Chauffeur Rules Can Be Found At: