



City of Chicago

Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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TAXICAB DRIVER FAIRNESS ORDINANCE

In 2014, Chapters 9-112 "Taxicabs" and 9-104 "Public Chauffeurs" of the Municipal Code of Chicago (MCC) were amended to ensure that taxi drivers receive a fair deal.

The New Taxicab Driver Fairness Laws go into effect on February 1, 2015.

Visit www.cityofchicago.org/bacp for copies of the ordinances that passed. The Municipal Code of Chicago is available at www.amlegal.com

Taxicab drivers should know their rights by downloading the "Taxicab Driver Bill of Rights" flyer and the "Uniform Taxicab Lease Agreement" form available at www.cityofchicago.org/bacp

Highlights of the Effect of the New Laws:

- ❖ A new maximum lease rate structure goes into effect.
 - The maximum lease caps have been lowered.
 - The new lease rate structure is based on both vehicle MPG tier and vehicle age* goes into effect.
 - On February 1, 2015, an updated Uniform Taxicab Lease Agreement form (posted at www.cityofchicago.org/bacp) goes into effect.
- ❖ The maximum fine for public chauffeur violations at administrative hearings has been reduced from \$1,000 to \$400.

**"Vehicle Age" is the age of a vehicle computed by totaling the number of years in between and including both the calendar year and the model year. (Example: in the year 2015, model year 2015 = 1 year; model year 2014 = 2 years; model year 2013 = 3 years; and model year 2012 = 4 years.)*

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- ▶ Rules and Regulations governing City of Chicago licensed public vehicles and public chauffeurs are available at www.cityofchicago.org/bacp.
- ▶ The Municipal Code of Chicago is available at www.amlegal.com.

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