



City of Chicago

Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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NEW PUBLIC CHAUFFEURS AND TAXICAB INDUSTRY LAWS

On March 16, 2016, Chicago's City Council passed two sets of laws that impact the taxicab industry and public chauffeurs.

Both sets of ordinances are posted on the bottom of the Rules and Regulations web page on the BACP web site (www.cityofchicago.org/bacp).

1. New \$.50 Credit Card Processing Convenience fee payable by passenger proposed by Alderman Beale

- **Effective as of April 13, 2016**
- Only applicable to BACP approved rear seat mounted credit card processing equipment

2. New 9-104 Public Chauffeur Ordinance proposed by BACP

- **Effective as of April 23, 2016**
- **NEW 9-104 Public Chauffeurs Ordinance REDUCES costs:**
 - ✓ The proposed MCC 9-104 REDUCES the minimum potential fine a taxicab driver would pay from \$75 to \$50 per violation offense.
 - ✓ The proposed MCC 9-104 REDUCES the licensing fees paid by horse drawn carriage chauffeurs and pedicab chauffeurs.
- **NEW 9-104 Public Chauffeurs Ordinance REDUCES regulatory burdens:**
 - ✓ The requirement in 9-104-050(1) to hold a past driver's license was reduced to 1 year from 3 years.
 - ✓ New 9-104-050(11) bars an applicant from applying if their chauffeur license was previously revoked 3 years prior to the application date. Currently, it is 5 years.
 - ✓ New 9-104-050(14) decreases the driver's license look back period for suspended driver's licenses to 3 years. Currently, it is 5 years.
 - ✓ New 9-104-070 bars a denied applicant from applying for a license for 12 months. Currently, the waiting period is 18 months.

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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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