

TAXICAB

Sec. 12.372. License required.

It is unlawful for any person to drive or operate a taxicab without a license from the city.

(Code 1980, § 6.36, subd. 2; Code 1997, § 22-392)

Sec. 12.373. Insurance required.

Before a taxicab license is issued by the council, the licensee shall have and maintain public liability and bodily injury insurance in the currently required amounts. The insurance shall at all times be effective during the licensed period. Such insurance shall cover all passengers carried by the insured licensee and shall be for public taxicab purposes. All such policies shall contain a clause providing for ten (10) days' written notice to the city clerk before cancellation, and a certificate of such insurance shall be furnished to the city before a license is issued.

(Code 1980, § 6.36, subd. 4; Code 1997, § 22-393)

Sec. 12.374. Rates.

Each applicant shall file with the city clerk, before a taxicab license is issued or renewed, a schedule of proposed maximum rates to be charged by him during the license period for which the application is made. The schedule of proposed maximum rates or a compromise schedule thereof shall be approved by the council before granting the license. Such schedule shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the taxicab in full view of passengers riding therein. Nothing in this section shall prevent a taxicab licensee from petitioning the council for review of such rates during the license period, and the council may likewise consider such petition and make new rates effective at any time. No taxicab licensee shall charge rates in excess of maximum rates approved by the council.

(Code 1980, § 6.36, subd. 5; Code 1997, § 22-394)

Sec. 12.375. Mechanical condition.

Before issuing a taxicab license, the applicant shall present to the council a certificate signed by a competent and experienced mechanic showing that the taxicab conveyance is in good mechanical condition, that it is thoroughly safe for transportation of passengers, and that it is in neat and clean condition. Such similar certificate may be required from time to time during the license period.

(Code 1980, § 6.36, subd. 6; Code 1997, § 22-395)

Sec. 12.376. License issuance and display and vehicle marking.

Every license required under this article shall be issued for a specific conveyance, except as otherwise provided in this article. License tags, including the number and year for which issued, shall be plainly visible from the front of the conveyance. Both sides of every licensed taxicab, when in use, shall be plainly and permanently marked as such with a painted sign or appurtenances showing the full or abbreviated name of the licensed operator. (Code 1980, § 6.36, subd. 3; Code 1997, § 22-396)