

City of Chicago Business Affairs and Consumer Protection PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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VEHICLES THAT QUALIFY FOR WAV TAXI \$ INCENTIVES

Pursuant to Taxicab Medallion License Holder RULE TX7.07(m), BACP Commissioner Maria Guerra Lapacek has updated the eligibility requirements for vehicles that would qualify for the \$20,000 reimbursement incentive for factory manufactured wheelchair accessible vehicle (WAV) taxis.

A taxicab medallion licensee that places a WAV taxi voluntarily or by mandate on its taxicab medallion is eligible for the following maximum money disbursement per taxicab from the Accessibility Fund the year the WAV Taxicab is placed into service:

- 1. **\$20,000** reimbursement for a brand **new**, factory manufactured wheelchair accessible vehicle as a taxicab; OR
- 2. **\$15,000** reimbursement for a post-manufacture or after-market mechanical conversion of a brand **new** vehicle to a wheelchair accessible vehicle as a taxicab.

RULE TX7.07(f) defines the term "**new**:" a vehicle that meets the following requirements at the time the Accessibility Fund application is submitted to BACP: (1) vehicle is no more than two model years old AND (2) vehicle has less than 35,000 miles on the odometer.

Pursuant to TX7.07(m), during year 2017, BACP has broadened vehicles eligible specifically for the \$20,000 reimbursement incentive for factory manufactured WAVs that qualify by including **2015 model vehicles** that (1) have never been titled in any jurisdiction, (2) are purchased directly from the manufacturer or authorized manufacturer dealership, AND (3) have less than 1,500 miles on the odometer.

Start the process NOW!!! By completing and submitting the WAV Taxicab Reimbursement Form posted at www.cityofchicago.org/bacp

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- ▶ The Municipal Code of Chicago is available at www.amlegal.com.

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