

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AO No. 2018-6(S)**

1 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE**
2 **MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 11 AND ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE OF**
3 **REGULATIONS TITLE 11 TO MODERNIZE AND UPDATE PROVISIONS**
4 **RELATED TO DISPATCH SERVICES AND SYSTEMS, CHAUFFEUR**
5 **LICENSING, AND TAXICAB EQUIPMENT TO ACCOMMODATE NEW AND**
6 **EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND MODIFY REGULATIONS TO ALLOW**
7 **TAXICAB BUSINESSES TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE IN THE FOR HIRE**
8 **TRANSPORTATION MARKET.**

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10 **WHEREAS**, the taxicab industry across the nation has evolved with technology and
11 innovations in the on-demand transportation service market;

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13 **WHEREAS**, the Assembly enacted AO 2016-124(S) to improve taxicab services by
14 fostering more competition, modifying some requirements to obtain a taxicab permit,
15 and allowing the market to determine the quantity of taxicabs;

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17 **WHEREAS**, competition from the rapid growth in recent years of ride-sharing and
18 transportation network companies has revealed that some long-standing regulatory
19 burdens on the three components of the taxicab system (chauffeurs, taxicab
20 permitted vehicles, and dispatch services) may be stifling the ability of the taxicab
21 industry in Anchorage to grow and compete with other transportation options; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the Anchorage Assembly to foster reasonable and
24 competitive transportation options for the citizens of Anchorage and visitors to our
25 city, and changes to Title 11 of the Anchorage Municipal Code are needed to
26 modernize and update regulation of the taxicab industry to support its viability,
27 accommodate the use of emerging taxicab technologies, and create a more even
28 playing field with other on-demand transportation services; now, therefore

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30 **THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:**

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32 **Section 1.** Anchorage Municipal Code chapter 11.10 is hereby amended to read
33 as follows (*language indicating no amendment is set out for context only, the*
34 *remainder of the chapter is not affected and therefore not set out*):

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36 **Chapter 11.10 - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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38 **11.10.010 - Definitions.**

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40 [*Note to Code Revisor: lettering of each defined term is to be removed, no*
41 *numbering of the defined terms.*]
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When used in chapters 11.10—11.40:

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Curbside service means taxicab service procured by a curbside hail, or approaching or waiting at a taxicab stand or zone, without the use of a digital dispatch application.

[G.] *Dispatch service* means a business authorized pursuant to chapter 11.40 to engage in the dispatch of taxicabs to persons desiring to hire them.

[H.] *Division of Measurement Standards* means the Division of Measurement Standards of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities [COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT] of the State of Alaska.

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[T.] *Taxicab* means a chauffeured motor vehicle equipped with a taximeter or approved metering application or both used to transport passengers for hire having a manufacturer's rated seating capacity of nine or fewer persons, which capacity includes the driver and which is not operated over fixed or defined routes.

[U.] *Taximeter* means an [UNALTERED] instrument, [OR] device, or system attached to a taxicab and by means of which the charge for such vehicle is mechanically or electronically calculated and displayed in dollars and cents. Such calculations may be premised upon the distance traveled or waiting time, or both.

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(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 94-21(S), § 1, 4-12-94; AO No. 97-134(S-1), § 1, 12-9-97; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2011-91(S-2), § 1, 9-27-11; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13; AO No. 2014-116, § 1, 10-21-14)

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11.10.030 - Anchorage Transportation Commission—Powers and duties.

A. The commission shall regulate all vehicles that are chauffeured and provide transportation services on request for a fee or charge for such transportation, chauffeurs, dispatch services in accordance with this title except for those vehicles for hire which the commission determines to be subject to a comprehensive regulatory program established by Alaska or federal law or where preempted by state or federal law. Unless excluded by this section, n[N]o motorized vehicle may be offered for hire to transport passengers in the municipality

1 without being a regulated vehicle, or a vehicle owned or leased by the
 2 municipality and used to transport passengers for hire in connection
 3 with the municipality's operation of its mass transit system. The
 4 commission shall not regulate amusement or novelty rides; courtesy
 5 vehicles; buses or bus service; unless the operation of the vehicle is
 6 the same as or substantially similar to the operation of a limousine, a
 7 courtesy vehicle which derives its revenue from or on behalf of a
 8 passenger, or a taxicab, as those terms are defined in section
 9 11.10.010, which shall be subject to regulation by the commission.
 10 Vehicles with a manufacturer's rated seating capacity of 16 or more
 11 persons, which capacity includes the driver, shall not be regulated by
 12 the commission. The purpose of the regulations set forth in chapters
 13 11.10—11.40 or adopted by the commission shall be to protect the
 14 public's interest with respect to the price, quality of service, and
 15 reasonable safety standards provided by regulated vehicles. Such
 16 regulations may set maximum charges for service and minimum
 17 standards for service.

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20 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-
 21 8; AO No. 88-21; AO No. 93-220, § 1, 2-22-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-
 22 99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13; AO No. 2014-116, § 2, 10-21-14)

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25 **11.10.050 - Rates charged by regulated vehicles and services.**

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- 27 A. The commission may promulgate regulations for implementation and
 28 enforcement through the transportation inspector of:
- 29 1. Maximum rates to be charged for taxicab curbside service; **and**
 - 30 2. [DISPATCH SERVICE RATES;]
 - 31 [3.] ~~[A method for review and approval of]~~ [R][r][ATES FOR
 32 VEHICLES FOR HIRE;]**[and]**
 - 33 [4. MINIMUM RATES FOR LIMOUSINE SERVICE];
 - 34 [5. MAXIMUM LEASE RATES BETWEEN PERMITTEES AND
 35 LEASE OPERATORS OF TAXICAB SERVICE, INCLUDING
 36 DAILY LEASE RATES FOR TAXICAB CHAUFFEURS; AND]
 - 37 **[3]** [6.] Allowable fuel surcharge amounts which may be added to
 38 taxicab rates, and the duration of the surcharge period.
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- 40 B. In addition to the fees and rates established [BY THE COMMISSION]
 41 pursuant to subsection A, the following [FEES] may be charged:
- 42 1. A credit card or debit card processing fee not to exceed \$1.00
 43 per transaction for taxicab service, to recover administrative
 44 costs. This charge may be in addition to the maximum charges
 45 allowed for taxicab service.

1 ~~[2. A dynamic rate for the taxicab fare up to twenty percent~~
2 ~~(20%) higher than the fare rate established for the taxicab~~
3 ~~pursuant to this title, in response to high market demand~~
4 ~~for taxicab service; except a dynamic rate may not be~~
5 ~~applied to a curbside service fare. Dynamic rates must be~~
6 ~~transparent and displayed or communicated to the~~
7 ~~prospective passenger before the trip begins.]~~

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- 9 C. Charging a rate or fee other than as provided by this section or the
10 regulations adopted pursuant to subsection A. is prohibited and a
11 violator is subject to a penalty as set forth in section 11.10.130.
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- 13 D. All rates shall be nondiscriminatory.
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- 15 E. A statement of actual taxicab rates for curbside service charged by a
16 taxicab, other than flat or group rates established by contractual
17 agreement between dispatch service companies and individuals or
18 other businesses, shall be conspicuously posted on the interior and
19 exterior of every taxicab in a manner prescribed by the transportation
20 inspector. The interior sign shall include contact information for the
21 transportation inspector's office or transportation commission, as
22 directed by the transportation inspector.
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- 24 F. No person may require payment of taxicab rates greater than those
25 authorized [IMPLEMENTED BY THE COMMISSION] pursuant to this
26 section and chapter 11.40. Taxicab fares may be prepaid, so long as
27 the payment required at the end of the trip is no greater than the fare
28 rate applicable to the trip as established pursuant to this section, and
29 excess prepaid amounts are refunded to the customer or credited as
30 prepayment for a future fare. No person may require payment of
31 dispatch service rates other than those implemented [BY THE
32 COMMISSION] pursuant to this section and chapter 11.40.
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- 34 G. Regulated vehicle services and limousine services may establish their
35 own individual rates, subject to rates established by regulation or as a
36 condition of the issuance of the permit. Each vehicle operated as a
37 vehicle for hire shall conspicuously post a sign on each side of the
38 vehicle, such sign stating the full name of the vehicle for hire service
39 and, if required by the transportation inspector, the fare to be charged.
40 The transportation inspector may require an interior sign which shall
41 include contact information for the transportation inspector's office or
42 transportation commission, as directed by the transportation
43 inspector.
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45 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-
46 18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 89-63; AO No. 89-97; AO No. 98-

1 51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2011-105(S), § 1, 10-25-11; AO No. 2013-109(S)-
 2 1), § 1, 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-140 , § 1, 12-20-16)

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5 **11.10.080 - Vehicle inspections, mechanical equipment standards and**
 6 **accident reporting.**

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 8 A. *Periodic inspections:* Vehicles shall be inspected at least once
 9 annually [TWICE ANNUALLY WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT
 10 LIMOUSINES SHALL BE INSPECTED ANNUALLY OR AT 10,000
 11 MILES, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. ONE OF THE TWO SEMI-
 12 ANNUAL INSPECTIONS SHALL OCCUR DURING THE MONTH OF
 13 THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND THE OTHER SEMI-ANNUAL
 14 INSPECTION SHALL OCCUR DURING THE MONTH WHICH IS SIX
 15 MONTHS FROM THE MONTH OF THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION.]
 16 ~~[Inspections shall be conducted by a licensed and certified~~
 17 ~~mechanic, who shall certify in writing that the vehicle was~~
 18 ~~inspected and indicate whether it complies with the requirements~~
 19 ~~in subsection E.]~~ The permittee/vehicle owner will be responsible for
 20 arranging [SCHEDULING] the inspections ~~[and submitting the~~
 21 ~~mechanic's certification to the transportation inspector.]~~ [The
 22 transportation inspector will designate the location, scope of
 23 inspection, and vendor with qualified persons to inspect the
 24 regulated vehicles.] An additional random inspection resulting in a
 25 passing score shall be counted toward the number required under this
 26 section. A maximum of 25 percent of the regulated vehicles may be,
 27 on an annual basis, selected randomly by computer and required to
 28 undergo an inspection **[by the vehicle inspection contractor]**. The
 29 cost for the random and reasonable cause inspections will be the
 30 responsibility of the permittee/vehicle owner.

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 32 B. *Review by transportation inspector:* When a regulated vehicle has
 33 been permitted for two years or has accumulated a total of 200,000
 34 miles, the inspection frequency may be increased to a total of two
 35 [FOUR] inspections annually. The transportation inspector shall be
 36 responsible for notifying the permittee or vehicle owner of the
 37 increased inspections. The transportation inspector may make a
 38 determination that the regulated vehicle is mechanically unsound or
 39 does not present a proper appearance to continue in service. In the
 40 event a vehicle is determined to no longer be suitable for service, the
 41 permittee or vehicle owner shall take the vehicle out of service
 42 immediately. The transportation inspector shall not permit a vehicle
 43 with a reconstructed title as a regulated vehicle of any type.

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E. *Mechanical equipment standards:* No person may operate a regulated vehicle unless it complies with these mechanical equipment standards:

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12. The taximeter shall be [CONNECTED,] fully functional and sealed or certified. This paragraph does not apply to limousines or vehicles for hire.

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21. Taxicabs shall be equipped with a[N OPERATIONAL RADIO IDENTIFIER AND] silent electronic alarm.

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(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 93-220, § 3, 2-22-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13)

11.10.085 - Drug and alcohol testing.

A. The commission shall:

1. Cause to be established a drug and alcohol testing program for chauffeurs of regulated vehicles. The program shall:

a. Include chauffeur [APPLICANT] drug and alcohol [SCREENING TESTS,] reasonable cause [TESTS], post-accident [DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTS], and post-citation tests.

b. Provide for the immediate denial, suspension, or revocation of the chauffeur's license by the transportation inspector of any chauffeur failing, or failing to submit to, a chauffeur drug or alcohol test under this section [APPLICATION DRUG SCREENING TEST, A REASONABLE CAUSE DRUG OR ALCOHOL TEST, A POST-ACCIDENT DRUG OR ALCOHOL TEST, A POST-CITATION DRUG OR ALCOHOL TEST]. The denial, suspension, or revocation shall be for a period of not less than six (6) months for a first offense. In the case of a suspension or revocation under this section, the period may continue beyond six (6) months until such time as the chauffeur shall submit evidence of successful completion of a drug or alcohol abuse treatment program.

c. Provide for the immediate revocation by the transportation inspector of the chauffeur's license of any chauffeur failing or failing to submit to a reasonable cause, post-accident, or post-citation test, for a period of not less than two years for a second or subsequent failure or refusal to submit to a required drug and/or alcohol test within a ten year period.

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~~[B] [2].~~ **[Establish fees to pay for drug and alcohol testing.]** Costs of testing for reasonable cause tests, post-accident drug or alcohol tests, and post-citation drug or alcohol tests [SHALL BE BORNE BY APPLICANTS FOR CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSES AND COSTS OF SUBSEQUENT TESTING] shall be borne by permittees.

~~[C.]~~ **Drug and alcohol tests required by this section shall be performed by a drug and alcohol testing center that complies with federal Department of Transportation regulations 40 CFR part 49.**

[B.] A design, cost structure, and fee determination for the drug and alcohol testing program shall be developed and implemented by the transportation inspector subject to the following conditions:
1. [COSTS FOR THE INITIAL DRUG SCREENING SHALL BE BORNE BY APPLICANTS FOR CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSES.]
[2.] Direct operational costs for the post-accident, post-citation, and reasonable cause drug and alcohol testing program shall be borne by permittees.]

(AO No. 93-220, § 4, 5-23-94; AO No. 94-93(S), § 1, 5-16-94; AO No. 97-79, § 1, 6-3-97; AO No. 97-92, § 1, 7-1-97; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13)

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11.10.110 Denial, suspension, or revocation of license or permit.

A. If the transportation inspector determines that a license application for a chauffeur's license or the application for a regulated vehicle permit or dispatch service license does not meet the requirements of this title, the transportation inspector shall deny the application. The transportation inspector shall issue a written decision to the applicant which shall state the specific reasons for that denial. Such written decision will be issued no later than seven working days of the denial.

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C. **Actions against permits.**
1. The transportation inspector may serve a permittee with an accusation or notice stating the intent to suspend or revoke a permit in accordance with section 3.60.025. The municipal administrative hearing officer appointed under this chapter is the official empowered to issue the final determination to suspend or revoke a permit after an administrative hearing. A permit may be suspended or revoked upon a finding that:

- 1 a. [NO REGULATED VEHICLE HAS BEEN OPERATED
2 PURSUANT TO THE PERMIT FOR 45 CONSECUTIVE
3 DAYS OR FOR 90 DAYS IN ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD,
4 PROVIDED THAT SUCH FAILURE TO OPERATE IS
5 NOT CAUSED BY STRIKE, PUBLIC CATASTROPHE,
6 OR OTHER ACT BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE
7 PERMITTEE, BUT NOT INCLUDING INSOLVENCY OR
8 TEMPORARY REVOCATION OF A PERMIT PENDING
9 DETERMINATION OF AN APPEAL OF SUCH
10 REVOCATION;]
- 11 [b. THE PERMITTEE HAS SOLD OR OTHERWISE LOST
12 THE USE OF THE VEHICLE WHICH WAS BEING
13 OPERATED PURSUANT TO THE PERMIT AND HAS
14 FAILED TO REPLACE IT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER
15 THE DATE OF SUCH SALE OR LOSS;]
- 16 [c.] A preponderance of the evidence supports the
17 conclusion that the permittee has committed an offense
18 set forth in chapters 11.10—11.40;
- 19 b[d]. A preponderance of the evidence supports the
20 conclusion that the permittee has failed to use the permit
21 in a manner and fashion consistent with the public safety
22 and welfare; or
- 23 c[e]. Continued operation of the permit will result in
24 substantial risk to the public health or welfare.
- 25 2. Except where a permit suspension or revocation is based on
26 imminent and substantial risk to the public health or welfare, the
27 penalty of suspension or revocation shall not be imposed when
28 the permittee contests it or enters an appearance with the
29 hearing officer until the hearing officer has an opportunity to
30 determine whether to suspend the permit during the
31 administrative hearing process pending the final decision in
32 accordance with this subsection. If the permittee fails to contest
33 the notice or appear, the hearing officer may immediately
34 suspend or revoke the permit.
- 35 The hearing officer shall address the question of suspension or
36 revocation pending a final decision at its first hearing following the
37 filing of the accusation or notice of suspension or revocation, and may
38 defer the effective date of suspension or revocation action until the
39 matter is decided. If, at its first hearing in the matter, the hearing officer
40 finds that continued operation of the permit during the appeal process
41 presents substantial further risk to the public health or welfare, or of
42 continuing violations of chapters 11.10 through 11.40, the hearing
43 officer may order the immediate suspension of the permit.
- 44 3. The transportation inspector may immediately suspend or
45 revoke a permit upon service on the permittee of a notice of
46 revocation under section 3.60.025 if the transportation

inspector determines that continued operation of the permit will result in immediate and substantial risk to the public health or welfare. An immediate suspension or revocation notice shall state the justification for immediate action and the hearing officer shall, at the first hearing in the matter, determine whether to continue that suspension or revocation pending the final adjudication of the matter. The hearing officer shall set a date for the first hearing at the earliest possible time in accordance with section 3.60.040 A.

4. The transportation inspector may reverse or revise a penalty, including a revocation, if a civil or criminal conviction contributing substantially to the determination of revocation of a permit is reversed on appeal to court.

D. The transportation inspector may suspend or revoke a dispatch service license by the same process as that for permits in subsection C., upon a finding after a hearing that:

1. [SUCH DISPATCH SERVICE HAS NOT COMMENCED OPERATION WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE LICENSE;]

[2. SUCH DISPATCH SERVICE HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE DISPATCH SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF 90 CONSECUTIVE DAYS, PROVIDED THAT SUCH FAILURE TO OPERATE IS NOT CAUSED BY STRIKE, PUBLIC CATASTROPHE OR OTHER ACT BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE DISPATCH SERVICE LICENSEE, BUT NOT INCLUDING INSOLVENCY; OR]

[3.] During a period of 12 consecutive months, such dispatch service has been issued four citations. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "citation" means a civil citation issued for violation of any requirement of this title which has either been confirmed on appeal or was never appealed within the time limit imposed by law for such an appeal.

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(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 88-21; AO No. 92-50; AO No. 93-220, § 6, 5-23-94; AO No. 93-220, § 7, 2-22-94; AO No. 93-220, §§ 8, 9, 8-21-94; AO No. 94-93(S), § 2, 5-16-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2011-91(S-2), § 3, 9-27-11; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13)

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11.10.140 - Renewal of license or permit.

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1 C. If a permittee, chauffeur or dispatch service is no longer qualified to
 2 hold his or her taxicab, limousine, or vehicle for hire permit or license
 3 at the time of renewal, the transportation inspector shall not renew the
 4 permit or license, and it shall lapse and become ineffective. If an
 5 applicant to renew a taxicab permit is no longer qualified, that permit
 6 shall become available for re-issuance in the same manner as a new
 7 permit in accordance with section 11.20.030. The re-issued permit
 8 shall be in addition to any new permits scheduled for issuance.

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11 [E. AN APPLICATION TO RENEW A TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR
 12 VEHICLE FOR HIRE PERMIT SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
 13 EVIDENCE THE APPLICANT MAINTAINS OR PARTICIPATES IN
 14 MAINTENANCE OF AN APPROVED CHAUFFEUR TRAINING
 15 PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.20.130.]

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 17 (AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 87-8; AO No.
 18 87-126(S); AO No. 88-21; AO No. 93-220, § 11, 8-21-94; AO No. 94-
 19 214(S), § 2, 12-13-94; AO No. 95-219(S), § 1, 12-31-95; AO No. 98-51(S),
 20 § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 1,
 21 12-20-16)

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24 **11.10.160 - Fees.**

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 26 A. The commission shall promulgate regulations establishing the amount of
 27 a fee for:
 28 1. The issuance and renewal of permits and licenses;
 29 2. Transfer of a general permit under section 11.20.040;
 30 3. Appeals of a civil penalty or the denial of a license or permit;
 31 4. Inspection, certification and sealing or resealing of a taximeter or
 32 inspection and certification of other approved device;
 33 5. [VEHICLE INSPECTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THIS TITLE;]
 34 [6.] Substitution or change of vehicle operated under a permit;
 35 6[7]. Other privileges or services provided by the municipality as
 36 deemed necessary by the commission.

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 38 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No.
 39 81-149; AO No. 83-199; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO
 40 No. 87-126(S); AO No. 88-21; AO No. 93-220, § 12, 8-21-94; AO No. 94-
 41 214(S), § 3, 12-13-94; AO No. 95-169, § 1, 9-12-95; AO No. 95-219(S), § 2,
 42 12-31-95; AO No. 98-51(S), § 1, 5-4-99; AO No. 2003-152S, § 6, 1-1-04;
 43 AO No. 2004-151, § 3, 1-1-05; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13)

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46 **11.10.185 - Surveillance system required for regulated vehicles.**

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A. Except for horse drawn or other exempt vehicles, and as otherwise provided in this title, every regulated vehicle shall be equipped at all times with a video camera surveillance system and have global positioning system capability. The surveillance and GPS systems shall be capable of recording and storing the data of at least 72 hours of in-service operations. The recorded data shall be stored on board the taxicab or transmitted for storage. The stored data for the immediately preceding 72 hours of recording shall not be altered or manipulated by any person, and the data storage medium or device shall be subject to seizure or copying at any time [MADE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AND INSPECTION] by the transportation inspector for purposes of enforcement of chapters 11.10 through 11.40, or by a peace officer as defined in AS 1.10.060 [UPON REQUEST]. If the transportation inspector or a peace officer removes and takes possession of the data storage medium or device, the permittee or lease operator shall be given notice as soon as possible. For good cause, the Transportation Inspector may order retention of recorded data of specific dates, trips, or incidents for up to two years.

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(AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 1, 12-3-13)

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Section 2. Anchorage Municipal Code chapter 11.20 is hereby amended to read as follows (*language indicating no amendment is set out for context only, the remainder of the chapter is not affected and therefore not set out*):

Chapter 11.20 - TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES AND VEHICLES FOR HIRE

11.20.010 - Taxicabs—Permit required.

A. No person may provide taxicab service as provided by this title unless that person:

1. Is a permittee in possession of a valid taxicab permit issued to him under this chapter; or
2. Has entered into an agreement with a permittee which allows that person to provide taxicab services pursuant to the permittee's authority, such person being commonly known as a "lease operator." A copy of the lease agreement shall be filed with the Transportation Inspector. Lease operators are responsible for complying with sections 11.20.050—11.20.120 and section 11.10.080.

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1 E. The permittee shall utilize as chauffeurs only currently licensed
 2 chauffeurs [WHO HAVE SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED A
 3 COMMISSION APPROVED DRIVER TRAINING AND TESTING
 4 PROGRAM].

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 6 (AO No. 78-177; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No.
 7 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 2, 12-20-16)

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10 **11.20.020 - Taxicabs—Application for permit.**

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 12 A. An application for a taxicab permit shall be made to the transportation
 13 inspector. The transportation inspector shall refuse to accept any
 14 application unless it pertains to a non-transferable or wheelchair-
 15 accessible taxicab permit.

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 17 B. An application for all types of taxicab permits shall be submitted on a
 18 form approved by the transportation inspector and shall be
 19 accompanied by:

- 20 1. The permit fee established pursuant to section 11.10.160;
- 21 2. Proof of insurance for the vehicle as required by this title;
- 22 3. A complete list of the name, address and telephone number of
 23 every person who shall have a financial, proprietary, or security
 24 interest in the permit;
- 25 4. Proof that the applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- 26 5. A signed statement that the permit applicant acknowledges and
 27 accepts the permit requirement to be responsible [as a
 28 principal] for the chauffeurs retained or employed to drive the
 29 permitted vehicle and the quality of service they provide. [:

30 a. MAINTAIN OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MAINTENANCE
 31 OF A CHAUFFEUR TRAINING AND TEST PROGRAM
 32 AS SPECIFIED AND APPROVED BY THIS TITLE AND
 33 APPLICABLE REGULATIONS.

34 i. CHAUFFEUR TRAINING AND TESTING SHALL
 35 BE BASED UPON AN APPROVED
 36 CURRICULUM AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
 37 11.30.020C. AND SHALL BE OFFERED IN A
 38 MANNER AND FREQUENCY AS ANNUALLY
 39 APPROVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION
 40 INSPECTOR.

41 ii. THE TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR SHALL
 42 REGULARLY MAKE AVAILABLE A MUNICIPAL
 43 SITE AND APPROPRIATE MUNICIPAL
 44 RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL, AT NO COST
 45 TO PERMITTEES, TO FACILITATE
 46 ACCOMPLISHMENT OF A SUCCESSFUL

1 TRAINING AND TESTING PROGRAM. ALL
 2 OTHER CHAUFFEUR TRAINING AND
 3 TESTING COSTS, OTHER THAN AN
 4 ASSEMBLY-APPROVED TRAINING AND
 5 TESTING FEE ASSIGNED TO CHAUFFEUR
 6 APPLICANTS, SHALL BE BORNE BY THE
 7 PERMITTEES.]

8 a[b]. Comply with the drug and alcohol testing program
 9 described in section 11.10.085.

10 b[c]. Maintain, and to make available to the transportation
 11 inspector, records of service and complaints, as
 12 described in chapters 11.10—11.40.

13 c[d]. Equip and maintain any [EVERY] vehicle operated
 14 under the permit in safe and good working order, as
 15 described in section 11.20.080.

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 17 C. Issuance and annual renewal of non-transferable permits. Applicants
 18 for new or renewal of non-transferable general taxicab or wheelchair-
 19 accessible taxicab permits must meet these requirements:

20 1. Applicants who have had their chauffeur's license revoked in
 21 the preceding two years shall not be eligible.

22 2. For the seven [FIVE]-year period immediately preceding the
 23 application, a permit applicant shall have no felony or
 24 misdemeanor conviction entered by a court of competent
 25 jurisdiction for an offense listed in subsections
 26 11.30.040E.1. or E.2. [:

27 a. **ASSIGNATION, PROSTITUTION, SOLICITATION**
 28 **FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROSTITUTION, OFFERING**
 29 **TO SECURE ANOTHER FOR THE PURPOSE OF**
 30 **PROSTITUTION, MAINTAINING A VEHICLE FOR THE**
 31 **PURPOSE OF PROSTITUTION OR ACCEPTING**
 32 **MONEY FROM A PROSTITUTE; OR**

33 b. **SALE, TRANSPORTATION, POSSESSION OR USE**
 34 **OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AS DEFINED**
 35 **BY AS 11.71 OR A SIMILAR LAW OF ANOTHER**
 36 **JURISDICTION.]**

37 3. Applicant[S] has [THAT HAVE HAD] no felony or
 38 misdemeanor conviction involving the use or occupancy of a
 39 regulated vehicle under chapters 11.10—11.40.

40 4. **Applicant is [FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION C., A**
 41 **CURRENTLY ACTIVE CHAUFFEUR IS A CHAUFFEUR**
 42 **CURRENTLY LICENSED BY THE TRANSPORTATION**
 43 **COMMISSION]** in good standing with the commission and in
 44 compliance with section 11.10.110A., section 11.10.170, and
 45 who has a current and valid driver's license from the State of
 46 Alaska.

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 2 D. If the commission decides to issue an additional permit or permits in
 3 accordance with section 11.20.030 or 11.20.037, a taxicab permit may
 4 be issued by the Commission if the applicant complies with
 5 subsections B. through D. of this section, and is certified as required
 6 by section 11.10.170.
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8 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No.
 9 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 93-220, §§
 10 13, 14, 8-21-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2,
 11 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 4, 12-20-16)
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13 **11.20.030 - Taxicabs—Issuance of permit.**
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15 A. Taxicab permits shall be issued annually in accordance with this
 16 section. Prior to September 1 each year, the Transportation
 17 Commission shall hold a taxicab market-conciliation hearing to:

- 18 1. Receive testimony and evidence regarding the quality of
 19 taxicab service, safety of riders, drivers and the public, and
 20 other concerns with taxicab service in the municipality;
- 21 2. Beginning with the taxicab market-conciliation in 2021,
 22 determine whether the public hearing relevant to subsection
 23 A.1. above demonstrates objective and specific evidence that
 24 additional general taxicab permits will be substantially
 25 detrimental to public safety and quality of taxicab service in the
 26 municipality as a whole. The hearing shall include evidence on
 27 changes in call volumes and response times to determine the
 28 impact of additional permits. Evidence that additional
 29 competitive pressure occasioned by the issuance of additional
 30 permits would be detrimental to existing permit holders will not,
 31 in and of itself, constitute sufficient evidence to support
 32 restricting the issuance of permits; and
- 33 3. Determine how many permits for wheelchair accessible
 34 taxicabs should be issued effective the following year, if any,
 35 and including whether any expired or revoked wheelchair-
 36 accessible taxicab permits should be re-issued.
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39 D. This subsection applies only to taxicab permit-issuance in
 40 subsection[S] C.[1—C.6.] No later than 60 days before the established
 41 date for competitive sealed bidding, the transportation inspector shall
 42 cause competitive sealed bidding for permit(s) to be initiated as
 43 follows:

- 44 1. An invitation to bid for the permit shall be published. The permit
 45 shall be issued to the highest qualified bidder submitting a
 46 responsive bid.

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2. To be responsive, a bid must equal or exceed the taxi permit issuance fee established pursuant to section 11.10.160 for each taxi permit.
3. As used in this section, the term "qualified bidder" means a person who meets the requirements of section 11.20.020, meets the requirements for the type of permit to be issued, and tenders the successful full bid price in cash within five business days after notice that he or she is the highest bidder.
4. If the highest bidder submitting a responsive bid is not a qualified bidder, the permit shall be issued to the next highest bidder who is also a qualified bidder.
5. If none of the bidders submitting a responsive bid is a qualified bidder, the Transportation Inspector will hold the permit(s) and may, upon approval by the Commission [IN THE TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR'S DISCRETION], either initiate an additional competitive sealed bid solicitation for such unissued permits for the year of the unsuccessful solicitation, or add any unissued permits to the total number of permits permitted for the next following year's competitive sealed bidding, the limitation on the number of permits for issuance under subsection C. notwithstanding.

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(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 93-220, § 16, 2-22-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 5, 12-20-16)

11.20.036 - Accessible taxicab fleet permits.

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- C. An accessible taxicab fleet permit shall:
1. Authorize and require the fleet permit holder to operate [NOT LESS THAN FIVE VEHICLES, AND ALLOW THE FLEET PERMIT HOLDER TO OPERATE] not more than 20 vehicles, all which shall meet the design and equipment requirements for accessible taxicabs in subsections 11.20.037F. and G. Each vehicle shall have a separately numbered copy of the accessible fleet permit displayed at all times;
 2. Waive the initial and annual permit fee for each vehicle operated under the fleet permit, and instead require payment of the accessible fleet permit fee established in this section or pursuant to section 11.10.160;
 3. [REQUIRE, AT A MINIMUM, OPERATION OF ALL VEHICLES IN THE FLEET BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 A.M. AND 6:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY;]

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[4.] Exempt the fleet permit holder from the owner-operator requirements of section 11.20.037D.; and

4 [5]. Allow the fleet permit holder to have a color scheme, name and markings on its taxicabs different than the dispatch service it subscribes to under section 11.20.060, or to operate its own dispatch service upon certification by the transportation inspector that the permit holder's dispatch system substantially meets the performance and records requirements of chapter 11.40 and the commission approves.

D. The accessible taxicab fleet permits issued under this section shall be available only to qualified non-profit entities that:

- 1. Have a principal or a substantial purpose to serve persons with disabilities and their families or companions;
- 2. Are located in the municipality;
- 3. Demonstrate readiness and capability to provide the minimum number of accessible vehicles required for a fleet permit, all which meet the requirements of section 11.20.037F.; and
- 4. Submit a proposed vehicle markings and color scheme for its fleet, or acknowledgment of an agreement with one of the dispatch licensees in the municipality and intent to use that dispatch service's markings and color scheme.

E. A dispatch system operated by an accessible fleet permit holder shall:

- 1. Not require a dispatch service license or separate fee for operating the dispatch system, notwithstanding section 11.40.010;
- 2. Provide service only to taxicabs permitted as wheelchair accessible under section 11.20.037F., including other taxicabs not operated under the dispatch system operator's permit; and
- 3. Be allowed to charge other accessible taxicab permittees for subscription to its dispatch service, at reasonable rates subject to review by the commission[; AND]
- [4. BE OPERATED, AT A MINIMUM, DURING THE HOURS IN SUBSECTION C.3. OF THIS SECTION].

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(AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 12, 12-20-16)

11.20.037 - Non-transferable permits.

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D. Issuance and annual renewal of non-transferable taxicab permits shall be restricted to licensed chauffeurs who are both owners and operators of the taxicab operating under the permit. For purposes of this section a non-transferable permit owner operator is an individual person (1) whose permitted vehicle is registered to and insured by the

1 permittee, and (2) who annually operates the permitted vehicle as
2 chauffeur of the permitted taxicab not less than 50 percent of the time
3 the taxicab is operated during the annual period for which the permit
4 is granted[, WHICHEVER IS LESS]. Failure to meet these criteria shall
5 result in revocation and denial of permit renewal following the
6 procedures in section 11.10.110.

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8 E. Permittees with non-transferable permits are subject to all revocation,
9 suspension, and penalty conditions described in chapters 11.10
10 through 11.40.

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12 F. Wheelchair-accessible taxicab permits are designed to meet the
13 needs of persons with disabilities for demand-responsive
14 transportation. Such permits would be allocated only for accessible
15 vehicles or for other vehicles designed to satisfy specific needs of
16 persons with disabilities that may be identified. Only vehicles designed
17 by the manufacturer, or adapted by a recognized after-market
18 conversion, to be capable of fulfilling the specific intended purpose
19 shall be eligible for and operated pursuant these permits. Before
20 vehicles operated pursuant to these permits are authorized for
21 service, the permittee shall submit to the transportation inspector
22 documentation from the manufacturer or an original letter from the
23 recognized after-market conversion company indicating that the
24 vehicle modifications have been done so in accordance with the
25 Americans with Disabilities Act and its implementing regulations and
26 specifications, including the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design,
27 and that the vehicle is considered an accessible vehicle in compliance
28 with all applicable ADA specifications and requirements. Permits
29 granted under this section shall be subject to all other provisions of
30 this title and AMCR 11.10 and 11.20 applicable to taxicabs.

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32 G. Provision of service by taxicabs permitted under subsection F. is not
33 restricted to passengers with disabilities, but they shall be operated to
34 respond first to dispatched calls requesting an accessible taxicab
35 when in service and not occupied by other passengers. [TAXICABS
36 PERMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION F. SHALL, AT A MINIMUM, BE
37 IN OPERATION 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH
38 FRIDAY, EXCEPT FOR LEGAL HOLIDAYS. THIS TIME OF
39 OPERATIONS REQUIREMENT DOES NOT PRECLUDE
40 OPERATION AT ANY OTHER TIME.] Ramps and lifts, or other
41 specialized equipment designed to meet specific needs of persons
42 with disabilities that may be identified, shall be operable at all times;
43 malfunctioning ramps/lifts/other specialized equipment must be
44 repaired within 96 hours. An accessible taxicab permitted under
45 subsection F. may be operated while the specialized equipment is
46 being repaired. However, days operated with non-functioning

specialized equipment shall count as days not operated under the provisions of section 11.10.110B.1.a. and shall be considered in a determination to suspend or revoke the permit.

(AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2001-85, § 1, 5-22-01; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 7, 12-20-16)

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11.20.050 - Taxicabs—Number of vehicles operated per permit, monthly idling, and substitute vehicles.

A. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 11.20, only one vehicle, which shall be designated on the taxicab permit application, may be operated pursuant to that permit. The permittee may suspend use of the permit on a calendar month-to-month basis so long as reasonable prior notice is given to the dispatch service and transportation inspector, during which no vehicle shall operate pursuant to that permit and the dispatch service subscription and insurance coverage may be suspended as provided in this title. Reasonable prior notice is as defined in section 11.40.040B.

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(AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13)

11.20.060 - Taxicabs—Subscription to dispatch service.

Every taxicab permittee shall subscribe to a dispatch service licensed pursuant to chapter 11.40 for the dispatch of any taxicab operated under his or her taxicab permit. No taxicab may subscribe to more than one dispatch service.

(AO No. 78-177; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13)

11.20.070 - Taxicabs—Vehicle markings.

A. Every taxicab shall bear markings, colors or other visible indication of the trade name under which it is operated [ON EACH SIDE OF THE TAXICAB WITH PERMANENT LETTERS NO LESS THAN FOUR INCHES HIGH]. There is no vehicle coverage amount requirement for the markings and color scheme, but it shall be reasonably conspicuous.

B. Every taxicab shall bear its vehicle number, as assigned to it by the Transportation Inspector, on all sides of the taxicab with permanent

1 letters no less than four inches high. Taxicab vehicle numbers
 2 [MARKINGS] will be clearly visible and aligned [ON SURFACES
 3 THAT ARE] approximately perpendicular to the road surface.

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 5 C. Except as otherwise provided by law, no taxicab may be used or sold
 6 for any purpose other than for use as a taxicab until all signs, insignia,
 7 license plates, lights, taximeter, dispatch equipment, or other
 8 markings have been removed or an "out of service" sign is posted on
 9 the taxicab in the form and manner designated by the transportation
 10 inspector.

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 12 D. Every taxicab shall bear the markings adopted by its dispatch service
 13 and approved by the transportation inspector with the permit
 14 application or a request to change such markings. The transportation
 15 inspector's review for approval is limited to ensuring the markings are
 16 compliant with subsection A, unique from competitors, and
 17 conspicuously visible. [ADOPTED BY ITS DISPATCH SERVICE.
 18 DISPATCH SERVICES WILL MAKE THE INITIAL INSPECTION OF
 19 VEHICLES PLACED INTO SERVICE OR VEHICLES THAT ARE
 20 REPAINTED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH APPROVED PAINT
 21 DESIGN, COLOR, AND MARKINGS.]

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 23 E. A taxicab operating under an accessible fleet taxicab permit issued
 24 under section 11.20.036 may bear markings different from those
 25 adopted by its dispatch service to designate the accessible fleet permit
 26 affiliation of the vehicle.

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29 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 87-126(S); AO No.
 30 98-187, § 2, 3-15-98; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1),
 31 § 2, 12-3-13; AO No. 2016-124(S) , § 13, 12-20-16)

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 33 **11.20.080 - Taxicabs—Required equipment.**

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 35 A. Every taxicab shall be equipped with a dispatch system comprised of
 36 an operable two-way radio or computer. In addition, a taxicab may
 37 also be equipped with a digital dispatch system. If equipped with an
 38 operable two-way radio for dispatch service, the taxicab shall [THAT]
 39 receive[S] and transmit[S] a signal only on the radio frequency used
 40 by that taxicab's dispatch service. At no time may a taxicab be
 41 equipped with an apparatus capable of monitoring a frequency used
 42 by a radio dispatch service other than that used by that taxicab's radio
 43 dispatch service. The radio of each taxicab shall be identifiable
 44 through the dispatch company through which the taxicab is
 45 dispatched.

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- 1 B. Every taxicab shall be equipped at all times with an interior light of not
2 less than two candlepower arranged so as to illuminate the entire
3 passenger compartment. The light shall be illuminated whenever
4 passengers are being loaded or unloaded from the taxicab between
5 one-half hour after sunset of one day and one-half hour before sunrise
6 the next day. No shades or blinds shall be drawn over any windows of
7 the taxicab while occupied by a passenger.
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- 9 C. Every taxicab shall be equipped with a nonflashing light on the exterior
10 of the roof. The light shall be illuminated only when the taxicab is not
11 occupied by a paying passenger or when proceeding to a dispatch
12 directed location for passenger pick up.
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- 14 D. Every taxicab shall be equipped with a taximeter or approved metering
15 application, or both. Except for persons designated by the
16 transportation inspector to service taximeters, no one shall alter or
17 tamper with a sealed or certified taximeter. No one shall tamper with
18 a metering application to alter or compromise the application's
19 accuracy in measuring the distance or time driven for a fare.
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- 21 E. Every taxicab shall be equipped with a silent electronic alarm system.
22 [IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RADIO BETWEEN THE TAXICAB
23 AND DISPATCH COMPANY. THE ELECTRONIC ALARM SYSTEM
24 SHALL BE CHAUFFEUR-ACTIVATED BY A FOOT SWITCH OR
25 OTHER MEANS APPROVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION
26 INSPECTOR. A RADIO CAPABLE OF BEING ACTIVATED BY A
27 FOOT SWITCH OR OTHER MEANS APPROVED BY THE
28 TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR SHALL QUALIFY AS A SILENT
29 ELECTRONIC ALARM SYSTEM UNDER THIS SECTION.] The
30 owner of the taxicab shall be responsible for installing such electronic
31 alarm system.
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- 33 F. Every taxicab shall be equipped at all times with a video camera
34 surveillance system and global positioning system capability, as
35 described in section 11.10.185.
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37 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 87-
38 8; AO No. 88-21; AO No. 98-187, § 3, 6-13-99; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-
39 99; AO No. 2000-107, § 1, 7-25-00; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13)
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41 **11.20.090 - Taxicabs—Certification and sealing of taximeter equipment.**
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- 43 A. Except as provided in subsections B and C of this section, no taxicab
44 may be operated unless the following equipment is currently certified
45 and sealed by the Division of Measurement Standards, or the
46 Transportation Inspector, who shall serve as a city sealer pursuant to

AS 45.75.150-.160:

1. For taxicabs equipped with a mechanical taximeter:

- a. The taximeter.
- b[2]. The transmission assembly, if pertinent.
- c[3]. The differential assembly.
- d[4]. The wheels or tires whenever the size of either has been changed since the most recent certification.

2. For taxicabs equipped with a software-based taximeter using GPS or location services (sometimes referred to as a metering application):

- a. the taximeter.
- b. the system integrity for providing accuracy and reliability standards as existing mechanical taximeters.

B. A taxicab carrying unsealed or uncertified equipment which is required to be sealed and certified by subsection A of this section may be operated without violating this section if a temporary operating permit has been obtained from the Division of Measurement Standards, or the Transportation Inspector, who shall serve as a city sealer pursuant to AS 45.75.160. The temporary operating permit shall be kept in the taxicab during the time in which it is to be effective and shall be displayed upon request to the Transportation Inspector or a police officer.

C. A taxicab equipped with a metering application shall have an approved GPS- or software-based system [or] using location services for time and distance measurement. A taxicab may use a metering application only after verification by the transportation inspector that the taximeter system complies with the standards adopted by the Division of Measurement Standards, and that the application cannot be reset or controlled manually to alter the fare rate, time or distance traveled data.

D. The taximeter equipment shall be capable of, independently or in conjunction with the dispatch system, creating trip data required to be maintained as records by the dispatch service in accordance with section 11.40.060.

(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 85-87; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99)

11.20.100 - Taxicabs—Insurance required.

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[Note: subsections B. and C. added in S-version for amendment]

- 1 B. The insurance required by this section for vehicles with a
2 manufacturer's rated seating capacity (or, if a minivan, the seating
3 capacity after seat removal to accommodate baggage) of **seven [SIX]**
4 persons or less shall provide coverage as follows:
5 1. For all bodily injury or property damage arising from one
6 accident: Bodily injury \$100,000.00 per person, \$300,000.00
7 aggregate; property damage \$50,000.00 per occurrence; and
8 2. For all bodily injury or property damage in any one accident
9 caused by an uninsured or underinsured motorist: Bodily injury
10 \$100,000.00 per person, \$300,000.00 aggregate; property
11 damage \$50,000.00 per occurrence.
- 12 C. The insurance required by this section for vehicles with a
13 manufacturer's rated seating capacity (or, if a minivan, the seating
14 capacity after seat removal to accommodate baggage) of **eight**
15 **[SEVEN]** persons or more shall provide coverage as follows:
16 1. For all bodily injury or property damage arising from one
17 accident: Bodily injury \$100,000.00 per person, \$700,000.00
18 aggregate; property damage \$50,000.00 per occurrence; and
19 2. For all bodily injury or property damage in any one accident
20 caused by an uninsured or underinsured motorist: Bodily injury
21 \$100,000.00 per person, \$300,000.00 aggregate; property
22 damage \$50,000.00 per occurrence.
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- 24 D. The policy or policies of liability insurance shall be approved as to
25 substance and form by the risk manager for the Municipality and filed
26 with the Transportation Inspector. Insurance policies shall be issued
27 for periods of not less than one year. Permittees shall be allowed to
28 suspend insurance coverage on vehicles idle from service on a month-
29 to-month basis so long as reasonable prior notice is given to the
30 dispatch service and the transportation inspector. Reasonable
31 prior notice is as defined in section 11.40.040B.
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- 33 E. Every insurance policy or certificate shall contain a clause obligating
34 the insurer or surety to give the Transportation Inspector written notice
35 no less than 30 days before the cancellation, expiration, nonrenewal,
36 lapse, or other termination of such insurance. An allowed idling of a
37 vehicle on a month-to-month basis when insurance is suspended is
38 not a cancellation, expiration, nonrenewal, lapse or other termination
39 if the insurer agrees the insurance coverage is only suspended and
40 will continue when the covered vehicle is returned to active service. A
41 lapse, cancellation, expiration, nonrenewal, or termination of
42 insurance coverage shall **result in [WORK]** an automatic suspension
43 of any permit for so long as the permittee is without insurance as
44 required by this section, and it shall be a violation of this chapter to
45 provide taxicab service with a vehicle not insured as required by this
46 section. The insurance policy shall list as a certificate holder:

Municipality of Anchorage
 Transportation Inspection Division
 P.O. Box 196650
 Anchorage, Alaska 99519

(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 81-149; AO No. 81-167; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 89-63; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99; AO No. 2000-107, § 2, 7-25-00; AO No. 2005-102, § 1, 8-30-05; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 2, 12-3-13)

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11.20.120 - Taxicabs—Records of service.

- A. Every taxicab permittee shall ensure the maintenance of a current and accurate daily list for the taxicab operated pursuant to his or her permit of:
1. The name, address, telephone number, license number and expiration date for each chauffeur operating such taxicab and whether the chauffeur's working hours comply with AMC 11.30.060;
 2. The dates of hire and termination for each chauffeur operating such taxicab;
 3. The daily hours worked by each chauffeur operating such taxicab;
 4. The number of daily hours each such taxicab is operated during each calendar month; and
 5. The time and place of passenger pickup and delivery, the number of passengers, the amount of fare received, the time of the call for service and the name and license number of the chauffeur responding to that call. [THIS INFORMATION SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR TAXICABS ON A "TRIP SHEET."]
- B. A taxicab permittee may designate an agent to provide the records required by this section so long as:
1. Such agent is a resident of or domiciled in the United States [ALASKA]; and
 2. The taxicab permittee executes an agreement establishing the agency relationship. The agreement shall be on a form provided by the Transportation Inspector with signatures notarized, and shall be filed with the Transportation Inspector.
- C. The records maintained pursuant to subsection A of this section as well as any other records related to the operation of the permit shall be retained by the taxicab permittee for at least two years and shall be made available upon request of the Transportation Inspector or a police officer. The Transportation Inspector may request that the

1 taxicab permittee forward the record to him or her on a monthly basis.

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3 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 87-
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6 **11.20.130 - Chauffeur training. (Repealed)**

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8 [EVERY REGULATED VEHICLE PERMITTEE SHALL MAINTAIN OR
9 PARTICIPATE IN MAINTENANCE OF A CHAUFFEUR TRAINING AND
10 TESTING PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, PROVIDING
11 TRAINING AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 11.30.020.C. THE COMMISSION
12 SHALL HAVE FINAL AUTHORITY FOR EVALUATION OF THE TRAINING
13 AND TESTING PROGRAMS, BUT MAY DELEGATE THAT AUTHORITY.
14 THE TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR SHALL EVALUATE TEST
15 RESULTS TO DETERMINE WHETHER A CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE SHALL
16 BE ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.30.020.C.]

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18 (AO No. 93-220, § 19, 8-21-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 2, 5-4-99)

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22 **Section 3.** Anchorage Municipal Code chapter 11.30 is hereby amended to read
23 as follows (*language indicating no amendment is set out for context only, the*
24 *remainder of the chapter is not affected and therefore not set out*):

25
26 **Chapter 11.30 – CHAUFFEURS**

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28 **11.30.020 - Application for chauffeur's license.**

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30 A. An application for a chauffeur's license shall be made to the
31 transportation inspector.

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33 B. An application shall be submitted on a form approved by the
34 transportation inspector and shall be accompanied by:

- 35 1. The fee specified in section 11.10.160.
36 2. Photographs to be taken by the transportation inspector.
37 3. The results and report of either a finger print based criminal
38 background check from the Alaska Department of Public
39 Safety, or a third-party primary source locator background
40 check.

41 a. A finger print based criminal background check obtained
42 through the Alaska Department of Public Safety, which
43 shall:

44 i[a]. Include processing through the Alaska
45 automated fingerprint system;

46 ii[b]. Include a national criminal history record check

- 1 and review of the United States Department of
 2 Justice National Sex Offender database;
 3 iii[c]. Include a driving history research report or
 4 authorize the transportation inspector to obtain
 5 one on the individual;
 6 iv. Be processed by the Alaska Department of Public
 7 Safety with the applicant to pay all fees requested
 8 for Federal Bureau of Investigation processing of
 9 fingerprints, and processing of information
 10 requests including fees for contacting other
 11 jurisdictions to determine the disposition of an
 12 out-of-state arrest or to clarify the nature of an
 13 out-of-state conviction; and
 14 v[d]. Have been produced less than 30 days from
 15 submission to the transportation inspector and
 16 not be altered or marked by any person other
 17 than authorized employees or agents of the
 18 Alaska Department of Public Safety or the
 19 transportation inspector's office, except that any
 20 sealed records or reports of the same shall be
 21 excluded from the submission.
- 22 b. A third-party primary source locator background check
 23 shall be local and national in scope and review
 24 i. a multi-state or multi-jurisdiction criminal records
 25 locator or a similar commercial nationwide
 26 database with validation; and
 27 ii. the United States Department of Justice National
 28 Sex Offender Public Website;
- 29 4. [A CERTIFICATE FROM A PHYSICIAN LICENSED TO
 30 PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE STATE VERIFYING THE
 31 APPLICANT'S PHYSICAL ABILITY TO DRIVE AND PROOF
 32 OF A NEGATIVE DRUG TEST CERTIFICATE FROM A
 33 MUNICIPAL-APPROVED DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING
 34 FACILITY. A POSITIVE TEST SHOWING WILL BE CAUSE
 35 FOR DENIAL OF ANY LICENSE APPLICATION.]
- 36 [5.] Proof that the applicant currently holds a valid state of Alaska
 37 driver's license which entitles him to operate a vehicle by which
 38 persons are transported for compensation.
- 39 5 [6]. Proof that the applicant is at least **18 [19]** years **of age [OLD]**.
 40 6 [7]. **Proof that [DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO READ, WRITE**
 41 **AND SPEAK THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.**
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 43 **C. AN APPLICATION SHALL NOT BE COMPLETE UNTIL] the**
 44 applicant has passed an examination administered by the
 45 transportation inspector or his or her designee, demonstrating the
 46 applicant's ability to read, write and speak the English language. [AND

1 HAS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED A COMMISSION-
2 APPROVED COURSE OF STUDY ENCOMPASSING SENSITIVITY
3 TRAINING, SAFE DRIVING, SAFE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE,
4 KNOWLEDGE OF CITY STREETS AND SIGNIFICANT LOCATIONS,
5 DRIVER PERSONAL SAFETY, ELEMENTS OF SUCCESSFUL
6 TOURISM AND VISITOR SERVICE, AND COMMISSION
7 REGULATIONS ENCOMPASSING DRUG AND ALCOHOL
8 TESTING, DRIVER BEHAVIOR AND APPEARANCE AND ANY
9 OTHER SUBJECTS THE COMMISSION FINDS TO BE IN THE
10 PUBLIC INTEREST OF ENSURING SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE
11 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. THE COURSE WILL INCLUDE
12 CHECK RIDE CERTIFICATION FOR NEW CHAUFFEURS BY
13 PERSONS AUTHORIZED BY THE TRANSPORTATION
14 INSPECTOR TO CONDUCT CHECK RIDES. IN ADDITION,
15 CHAUFFEURS PROVIDING SERVICE IN AN ACCESSIBLE
16 VEHICLE PERMITTED FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS
17 WITH DISABILITIES, SHALL MAINTAIN CURRENT
18 CERTIFICATIONS IN FIRST AID AND CPR AND SATISFACTORILY
19 COMPLETE ANY REFERRALS BY THE TRANSPORTATION
20 INSPECTOR TO TRAINING AND RESOURCES ON THE
21 SPECIALIZED NEEDS OF TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS
22 WITH DISABILITIES AND SAFELY SECURING WHEELCHAIR
23 DEVICES.]

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25 D. [APPLICANTS FOR A CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE MUST SHOW
26 PROOF OF SUCCESSFUL PASSAGE OF THE CHAUFFEUR
27 TRAINING AND TESTING PROGRAM AND PAYMENT OF A FEE
28 REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION.]

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30 [E]. Any person who has been denied a license pursuant to this chapter
31 may not apply again for such a license for a period of one year except:
32 1. for those denied or revoked under section 11.10.085 A.2. and
33 3. and pursuant to section 11.10.110 A.3., who may apply in
34 accordance with relevant provisions of chapters 11.10 and
35 11.30; or
36 2. persons denied for not passing the English language
37 examination, who may apply again at any time.

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39 [F. A CHAUFFEUR APPLYING FOR RENEWAL OF A CHAUFFEUR'S
40 LICENSE MUST HAVE AT LEAST TWO HOURS OF REFRESHER
41 TRAINING BEFORE THE LICENSE IS RENEWED. THE
42 REFRESHER TRAINING PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN THIS
43 SUBSECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF
44 ANCHORAGE.]

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46 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 79-127; AO No. 80-

1 19(S); AO No. 80-136; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-126(S); AO
 2 No. 93-220, § 20, 8-21-94; AO No. 94-93(S), § 3, 8-14-94; AO No. 98-187, §
 3 4, 6-13-99; AO No. 98-51(S), § 3, 5-4-99; AO No. 2001-85, § 2, 5-22-01; AO
 4 No. 2013-109(S-1), § 3, 12-3-13)

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7 **11.30.040 - Issuance of chauffeur's license.**

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 9 The transportation inspector shall issue a Municipal chauffeur's license to an
 10 applicant only if:

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 12 A. The applicant has submitted a complete application as prescribed in
 13 section 11.30.020;
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 15 B. The applicant has not had a conviction entered by a court of
 16 competent jurisdiction within the past three (3) years [12 MONTHS] of:
 17 1. A moving traffic violation which subjected the applicant's
 18 driver's license to suspension or revocation pursuant to AS
 19 28.15.221—28.15.261, or a similar law of another jurisdiction;
 20 2. Reckless or negligent driving;
 21 3. Driving while license canceled, suspended, [OR] revoked, or in
 22 violation of a limitation under AS 28.15.291; [OR]
 23 4. Driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor,
 24 depressant, hallucinogenic, stimulant or narcotic drugs, or any
 25 controlled substance as defined in AS 28.35.030 or any similar
 26 law of another jurisdiction; or
 27 5. a third or subsequent moving traffic violation, or forfeited bail
 28 for same;
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 30 C. The applicant has not had his or her driver's license suspended or
 31 revoked within one year prior to the application date;
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 33 D. The transportation inspector finds no charges pending against the
 34 applicant for criminally offensive sexual behavior in any jurisdiction
 35 included within the transportation inspector's review;
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 37 E. The applicant has not had a felony or misdemeanor conviction entered
 38 by a court of competent jurisdiction within the past seven (7) [FIVE]
 39 years for:
 40 1. Assignment, prostitution, solicitation for the purpose of
 41 prostitution, offering to secure another for the purpose of
 42 prostitution, maintaining a vehicle for the purpose of prostitution
 43 or accepting money from a prostitute for any of the
 44 aforementioned purposes;

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- 2. Sale, transportation, possession or use of any controlled substance as defined in AS 11.71 or any similar law of another jurisdiction;
- 3. Any felony or misdemeanor which includes as an element the use or threat of force upon a person;
- 4. Burglary, larceny, fraud, theft or embezzlement; or
- 5. Any offense which pertains to sexual abuse of a minor or sexual exploitation of a minor. [; OR]

F. Each representation made in the application is correct. Any false or misleading statement or misrepresentation as to a material matter in an application shall be grounds for denial of the application or revocation of the license.

- G. The applicant is not required to register as a sex offender or child kidnapper:
- 1. In the State of Alaska pursuant to AS 12.63.010; or
 - 2. In another jurisdiction pursuant to the laws of that jurisdiction, if the elements of the underlying offense are substantially similar to the State of Alaska offenses for which registration is required pursuant to AS 12.63.010.

(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 84-18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 98-51(S), § 3, 5-4-99; AO No. 2006-117, § 1, 8-29-06; AO No. 2011-91(S-2), § 4, 9-27-11)

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11.30.070 - Duty to serve public.

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C. When in service and not occupied by other passengers, a chauffeur operating a taxicab permitted under section 11.20.037 F. to meet the needs of persons with disabilities for demand-responsive transportation shall respond first to dispatched calls requesting an accessible taxicab. The chauffeur shall maintain communications with the taxicab's dispatch service in accordance with section 11.40.053 at all times between the check in and check out of the chauffeur's work shift. Provision of service by permitted accessible taxicabs is not restricted to passengers with disabilities, but failure to comply with the priority response requirement of this section may result in a citation. When a chauffeur refuses to respond to a dispatched call for a wheelchair or accessible taxicab without good cause, the chauffer shall become ineligible to receive dispatch service for the 24 hours following such refusal.

1 D. A chauffeur shall inspect his or her regulated vehicle at the beginning
 2 and during his or her shift ensuring the vehicle is in a safe operating
 3 condition and clean inside and outside. Any mechanical or safety
 4 deficiencies noted shall be immediately reported to the vehicle owner.
 5 [A RECORD OF THIS NOTIFICATION AND DEFICIENCY WILL BE
 6 NOTED ON THE APPLICABLE TRIP SHEET.] The vehicle owner
 7 shall take action to immediately correct safety deficiencies. Non-safety
 8 deficiencies shall be corrected within 72 hours of notification, except
 9 as otherwise provided in this title. Failure of the chauffeur to report a
 10 safety or mechanical deficiency may result in a citation.

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12 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 94-
 13 64, § 1, 4-12-94; AO No. 98-51(S), § 3, 5-4-99; AO No. 99-105, § 1, 8-17-
 14 99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 3, 12-3-13)

15 11.30.140 Taxicab chauffeur records.

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 20 A. [AT ALL TIMES A CHAUFFEUR SHALL CARRY IN THE TAXICAB A
 21 TRIP SHEET IN A FORM APPROVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION
 22 INSPECTOR.] Immediately after a chauffeur goes on duty, he or she
 23 shall enter the following information on the taxicab computer or digital
 24 dispatch system , or a trip sheet if one is used, [AT THE TOP OF A
 25 TRIP SHEET]:

- 26 1. The chauffeur's name and license number,
- 27 2. taxicab number,
- 28 3. taximeter number, [AND]
- 29 4. date of report, and
- 30 5. start time of shift. [; AND]
- 31 [2. THE TIMES BETWEEN WHICH THE CHAUFFEUR IS
- 32 SCHEDULED TO OPERATE THE TAXICAB ON THE DAY
- 33 THE TRIP SHEET IS PREPARED.]

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 35 B. Immediately after the passenger(s) requesting service is in the
 36 taxicab, the chauffeur shall enter on the taxicab computer or digital
 37 dispatch system , or [a trip sheet] if one is used, the time and place
 38 of passenger pickup and the number of passengers transported. If the
 39 chauffeur is operating an accessible taxicab permitted under section
 40 11.20.037 F., the chauffeur shall also note whether the transport was
 41 for passengers with disabilities who needed the accessibility features.

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 43 C. Immediately after a taxicab chauffeur has discharged a passenger
 44 from the taxicab, he or she shall enter on the taxicab computer or
 45 digital dispatch system , or [a trip sheet] if one is used, the time of
 46 passenger delivery, the destination and the amount of the fare

received or that no fare was received. Tampering with or altering fare and trip data is prohibited.

D. ~~[After June 1, 2020, trip sheets are not required to be retained by chauffeurs. Until that date, a]~~ **[A]** taxicab chauffeur shall retain all trip sheets prepared pursuant to this section for not less than the two-year license renewal period. A chauffeur shall produce any or all of his or her trip sheets upon request of the transportation inspector or a police officer. The chauffeur shall forward the trip sheets to the transportation inspector upon request, and biennially at license renewal. The information for trips documented by a taxicab computer, metering application and digital dispatch system shall be retained by the dispatch company in accordance with section 11.40.

(AO No. 80-136; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 98-51(S), § 3, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 3, 12-3-13)

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Section 4. Anchorage Municipal Code chapter 11.40 is hereby amended to read as follows (*the remainder of the chapter is not affected and therefore not set out*):

Chapter 11.40 - DISPATCH SERVICE

11.40.010 - Dispatch service license required.

No person may dispatch taxicabs without first obtaining a dispatch service license from the Commission.

(AO No. 78-177; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99)

11.40.020 Dispatch service license.

- A. An application for a dispatch service license shall be made to the Transportation Inspector.
- B. An application for a dispatch service license shall be submitted on a form approved by the Transportation Inspector and shall be accompanied by:
 - 1. The fee specified in section 11.10.160;
 - 2. Proof that the applicant has obtained and possesses one or both of the following:
 - a. A valid Federal Communications Commission frequency license and identification of those frequencies authorized to be used in the dispatch service; or
 - b. A computerized dispatch system approved by the transportation inspector;

- 1 3. Identification of the digital dispatch system, if one is used by the
 2 dispatch service, and acknowledgment that the applicant must
 3 demonstrate its functionality and operability;
 4 4 [3]. Proof the applicant is a resident of, or domiciled in, the United
 5 States, and that it has a physical office location with regular
 6 business hours in the municipality. [A LIST OF THE NAME,
 7 ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF EVERY PERSON
 8 WHO WILL HAVE A FINANCIAL, PROPRIETARY, OR
 9 SECURITY INTEREST IN THE LICENSE;]
- 10 4. A proposed color scheme, name and markings to be used by
 11 taxicabs dispatched by the applicant which is substantially
 12 different from the color scheme, name and markings used or
 13 proposed for use by any other dispatch company licensed
 14 under this title;
- 15 5. Proof that the applicant is at least 18 years of age; and
- 16 6. A signed acknowledgement and acceptance of the license
 17 requirement to maintain, and to provide to the transportation
 18 inspector, records of dispatches, complaints, and complaint
 19 response.

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- 21 C. A dispatch service license shall be issued by the transportation
 22 inspector if the applicant complies with this section, is certified as
 23 required by section 11.10.170 and has not had a felony or
 24 misdemeanor conviction entered by a court of competent jurisdiction
 25 within five years of:
- 26 1. Assignment, prostitution, solicitation for the purpose of
 27 prostitution, offering to secure another for the purpose of
 28 prostitution, maintaining a vehicle for the purpose of prostitution
 29 or accepting money from a prostitute for the afore-mentioned
 30 purposes; or
- 31 2. Illegal s[S]ale, transportation, possession or use of any
 32 controlled substance as defined in AS 11.71 or any similar law
 33 of another jurisdiction.

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35 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 84-
 36 18; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-126(S); AO No. 88-21; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4,
 37 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4, 12-3-13)

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39 **11.40.030 - Dispatch service license transfer.**

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- 41 A. No person may transfer any interest in a dispatch service license or
 42 any interest in the corporation, joint venture, association, partnership
 43 or other entity which owns an interest in a dispatch service license
 44 unless that person obtains the prior approval of the Commission.
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1 B. Only a dispatch service licensee can transfer his or her interest in a
2 dispatch service license to another. An application for transfer shall be
3 made to the Transportation Inspector on forms approved by the
4 Transportation Inspector [AND SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A
5 PROPOSED BILL OF SALE WHICH STATES THE SPECIFIC
6 CONSIDERATION TO BE PAID BY THE TRANSFEREE]. If the
7 transferee meets the requirements of this section and those of section
8 11.40.020, the Commission shall approve the transfer. A dispute
9 arising from the underlying contract of sale is not grounds upon which
10 the Commission can refuse to transfer a dispatch service license.

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12 (AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-
13 4-99)

14 **11.40.040 Provision of service; joint dispatch service.**

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17 A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a dispatch service shall
18 serve all taxicab permittees and their chauffeurs who request dispatch
19 service and meet the requirements of this section so long as the fee
20 for such service has been paid.

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22 B. A dispatch service shall promulgate reasonable internal rules. These
23 rules shall include provisions that allow, without penalty, subscribing
24 permittees to suspend subscriptions for idle taxicab vehicles on a
25 month-to-month basis so long as reasonable prior notice is given to
26 the dispatch service and the transportation inspector. Reasonable
27 prior notice shall be not more than 21 and not less than five (5) days
28 prior to the first day of the next calendar month. [AND REGULATIONS
29 AND SHALL SUPPLY THE TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR WITH
30 A CURRENT COPY THEREOF AT ALL TIMES. A DISPATCH
31 SERVICE MAY REFUSE TO SERVE A PERMITTEE OR
32 CHAUFFEUR ONLY AFTER THE PERMITTEE OR CHAUFFEUR
33 HAS REPEATEDLY AND KNOWINGLY VIOLATED ONE OR MORE
34 PROVISIONS OF THE REASONABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS
35 ON FILE WITH THE TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR. IF A
36 DISPATCH SERVICE EXECUTES ONE OR MORE TYPES OF
37 WRITTEN CONTRACTS PERTAINING TO DISPATCH OF
38 TAXICABS, THE DISPATCH SERVICE SHALL SUPPLY THE
39 TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR WITH ONE COPY OF EACH
40 SUCH CURRENT CONTRACT FORM AT ALL TIMES].

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42 C. A dispatch service may only provide dispatch service to a permitted
43 taxicab.

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45 D. A dispatch service may dispatch taxicabs from another taxicab
46 company, but that company shall retain its own business name, style

1 and color and shall be substantially different in its business name,
2 style and color from that used by any other dispatch company.
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4 E. [A DISPATCH SERVICE SEEKING TO MERGE WITH ANOTHER
5 FOR JOINT DISPATCH SERVICE SHALL SUBMIT A PLAN WHICH
6 INCLUDES ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MERGER
7 TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL.]
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9 [F]. Each dispatch service shall establish a system for identifying and
10 tracking the location in realtime [RADIO TRANSMISSIONS FROM]
11 each taxicab which is dispatched through the dispatch service. The
12 system shall be capable of identifying accessible taxicabs and
13 distinguishing them from other permitted taxicabs.
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15 [G]. A dispatch service company shall provide a posting area within its
16 physical office location in the municipality [OPERATIONS CENTER]
17 which contains information, policies, and procedures disseminated by
18 the commission.
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20 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 84-18; AO No. 88-
21 21; AO No. 91-22; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 98-187, § 5, 6-13-
22 99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4, 12-3-13)
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24 **11.40.050 Dispatch service operation and duty to serve the public.**
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26 A. Every dispatch service shall be able to provide service throughout the
27 municipality, and have at least one physical office location with regular
28 business hours within the municipality. [EVERY DISPATCH
29 SERVICE SHALL BE LOCATED WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY.]
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31 B. Every dispatch service shall respond to and [TELEPHONE CALLS,]
32 maintain radio or computerized dispatch communications with every
33 taxicab subscribing to its service and have a dispatcher on duty and
34 responding to these communications at all times for at least 20 hours
35 during every 24-hour period. [AUTOMATED SYSTEMS OR THIRD
36 PARTY ANSWERING SERVICES ARE PROHIBITED FOR AT
37 LEAST 20 HOURS DURING EVERY 24-HOUR PERIOD. TAXICABS
38 SUBSCRIBING TO A DISPATCH SERVICE SHALL BE
39 DISPATCHED TO A CALL FOR SERVICE ON THE BASIS OF
40 EITHER THE NEAREST TAXICAB TO THE LOCATION OF THE
41 CALL FOR SERVICE, OR IN THE ORDER OF TIME IN WHICH
42 TAXICABS HAVE INDICATED THEY ARE WAITING IN A TAXICAB
43 ZONE FOR DISPATCH.] It is unlawful for a dispatch service to give
44 dispatch preference to taxicabs owned, leased, subleased or
45 otherwise operated under the direct or indirect ownership interest of
46 the dispatch company, or to give dispatch preference to taxicabs

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having owners in common with the owners of the dispatch company.

C. No dispatch company may require payment of rates other than those established pursuant to this title. Sections 11.40.080 through 11.40.100 shall not apply to contract rates.

D. Reserved.

E. A dispatch company shall investigate customer complaints presented to the dispatch company, take appropriate action, and document the investigation, resolution, referral, and follow-up by the dispatch company regarding each complaint.

F. A dispatch company shall diligently exercise the duty to serve the public and make every effort to respond to a request for a taxicab dispatch. A dispatch company shall report to the transportation inspector upon request a list of all taxicab requests which did not result in responsive taxicab service, any taxicab chauffeur refusing to respond to a call for service and the permit number of the taxicab the chauffeur was operating. The report of nonresponsive calls shall identify the calls for accessible vehicle service or an accessible taxicab. The report shall also identify nonresponsive calls for service to or from the Girdwood area and the Chugiak-Eagle River area.

G. When a request for accessible vehicle service or an accessible taxicab is received and dispatched, if the chauffeur operating a taxicab permitted under section 11.20.037 F. and not occupied by other passengers refuses or declines to respond without good cause, the dispatch service shall immediately cease all dispatch services to that chauffeur for the next 24 hours. The records required by section 11.40.060 shall include a report of chauffeur refusals to respond to dispatched calls for an accessible taxicab and resulting ineligibility for dispatch service.

H. A dispatch service's recordkeeping shall comply with section 11.40.060.

(AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 85-87; AO No. 92-50; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4, 12-3-13)

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11.40.053 - Communication requirement between dispatchers and taxicab chauffeurs.

A. Each dispatch company licensed under this title must operate and maintain at least one of the following dispatch systems:

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2 1. Two-way radio communication. A [EACH DISPATCH
3 COMPANY LICENSED UNDER THIS TITLE MUST OPERATE
4 AND MAINTAIN A] two-way radio communications system
5 between dispatchers and taxicab chauffeurs. The two-way
6 communications system shall allow each chauffeur on a
7 dispatch company radio frequency to monitor dispatcher
8 transmissions and transmissions from other chauffeurs on that
9 dispatch company radio frequency. [UNLESS THEY MET
10 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION B].

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12 2[B]. Computerized dispatch communication. A [ANY DISPATCH
13 COMPANY WHICH HAS INSTALLED AND IS USING A] GPS
14 based electronic dispatch system which transmits digital
15 communication to and from the dispatch center and its taxicabs
16 [IS NOT REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN CONTINUOUS TWO-
17 WAY VOICE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ITS TAXICABS
18 AND DISPATCH SERVICE]. This system is not required to
19 allow prospective passengers to request taxicab rides through
20 the internet or a digital platform.

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22 B[C]. Digital dispatch system. A licensed dispatch service company may
23 provide services with a digital dispatch system in addition to[, OR IN
24 PLACE OF,] the other dispatch systems authorized by this section.
25 For purposes of this section, a digital dispatch system means
26 technology that connects a prospective passenger, indicating the
27 passenger's location, with a taxicab for on demand transportation
28 service using the internet or a digital platform and mobile interfaces
29 such as a smartphone application.

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31 C[D]. Any dispatch company which has installed and is using a GPS based
32 electronic dispatch system or digital dispatch system which transmits
33 digital communications to and from its taxicabs is not required to have
34 radio identifiers from the taxis to the dispatch when on voice.

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36 (AO No. 98-187, § 8, 3-15-99; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 2016-
37 124(S), § 10, 12-20-16)

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39 **11.40.054 - Standardized training and certification programs,**
40 **standardized emergency notification code, and biennial**
41 **refresher training. (Repealed)**

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43 [DISPATCH SERVICES SHALL ESTABLISH A STANDARDIZED TRAINING
44 AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM THAT EACH DISPATCHER MUST
45 COMPLETE SUCCESSFULLY BEFORE BEGINNING OR MAINTAINING
46 EMPLOYMENT AS A DISPATCHER. SUCH STANDARDIZED PROGRAM

1 WILL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO A STANDARDIZED
 2 EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION CODE WITH PROCEDURES AND A
 3 BIENNIAL REFRESHER TRAINING COURSE. THE SCOPE AND
 4 CURRICULUM OF SUCH TRAINING PROGRAMS SHALL BE APPROVED
 5 BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BEFORE THE COURSE IS
 6 OFFERED.]

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 8 (AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 98-187, § 9, 6-13-99)

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 10 **11.40.057 Compliance with Federal Communications Commission**
 11 **regulations. (Repealed)**

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 13 [EACH DISPATCH SERVICE SHALL TAKE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT
 14 DISPATCHERS AND CHAUFFEURS COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS
 15 OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION AS TO
 16 OPERATION OF RADIOS.]

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 18 (AO No. 98-187, § 10, 2-13-99; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99)

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 20 **11.40.060 Dispatch service records.**

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 22 A. Every dispatch service shall maintain a current and accurate record,
 23 in a form approved by the transportation inspector, of:
- 24 1. The permit number, name and address of the permittee for
 25 each taxicab dispatched and the number of daily hours each
 26 such taxicab is operated during every calendar month;
 - 27 2. Daily dispatch activity, which shall include:
 - 28 a. The taxicab numbers;
 - 29 b. The permit number pursuant to which the taxicab is
 30 operated, including whether it is an accessible taxicab;
 - 31 c. The name or identification and license number of the
 32 operator of the taxicab;
 - 33 d. The time of calls for service;
 - 34 e. The service time requested by the passenger;
 - 35 f. The time the request for service was fulfilled;
 - 36 g. [IF THE DELAY BETWEEN THE SERVICE TIME
 37 REQUESTED BY THE PASSENGER AND THE TIME
 38 SERVICE BECAME AVAILABLE EXCEEDS 30
 39 MINUTES, THE REASON FOR THE DELAY SHALL BE
 40 RECORDED IN THE DISPATCH SERVICE
 41 RECORDS;]
 - 42 [h. WHETHER THE REQUEST WAS FOR SERVICE IN
 43 GIRDWOOD OR CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER.]
 - 44 h[i]. The place of passenger pickup **and dropoff**;
 - 45 i[j]. If the taxicab dispatched was not the nearest available
 46 taxicab subscribing to the dispatch service, or in the

1 order of time in which the taxicabs have indicated that
 2 they are waiting in a taxicab zone for dispatch, a
 3 statement of the reason; [AND]

4 k. Whether the request was for wheelchair-accessible
 5 service or an accessible taxicab; and

6 l. Whether the request was for service other than
 7 passenger transportation.

8 3. The fare as recorded from the taximeter or other than
 9 passenger transportation; and

10 4. All complaints received from members of the public, with the
 11 investigation, resolution, referral, and follow-up for each
 12 complaint noted.

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 14 B. The records maintained pursuant to subsection A. of this section shall
 15 be retained by the dispatch licensee for at least two years.

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 17 C. The records shall be open for review by the administrative hearing
 18 officer, the commission, the transportation inspector, the municipal
 19 department of law, or a police officer.

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 21 D. The dispatch service shall forward records to the transportation
 22 inspector upon request for good cause, and two times per year:
 23 annually at license renewal and six months after renewal. Good cause
 24 for the transportation inspector's request includes, but is not limited to,
 25 a service study being conducted, a reasonable basis to believe there
 26 are inconsistencies or inaccurate records, to track specific areas or
 27 types of service to focus on a specific problem or issue with on
 28 demand transportation services, or other good cause. [THE
 29 TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR MAY REQUEST THAT A
 30 DISPATCH SERVICE FORWARD THE RECORDS TO HIM OR HER
 31 ON A MONTHLY OR OTHER PERIODIC BASIS.]

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 33 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 80-19(S); AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-
 34 4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4, 12-3-13)

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 36 **11.40.070 - Dispatch service rates.**

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 38 Service rates for dispatch service provided to taxicab permittees subscribing
 39 to a particular dispatch company shall be set out as an internal rule of the
 40 dispatch service pursuant to section 11.40.040B. Dispatch service rates
 41 established by internal rule shall become effective no earlier than 30 days
 42 after notice of the change to the internal rule is sent to subscribing taxicab
 43 permittees and the transportation inspector. [, AND SHALL NOT EXCEED
 44 THE DISPATCH RATE APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER
 45 SECTION 11.10.050. THE COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE DISPATCH
 46 SERVICES' RATE-SETTING INTERNAL RULES BY RESOLUTION.]

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2 (AO No. 89-63; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4,
3 12-3-13)

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5 **11.40.080 - Dispatch service established taxicab fare rates—**
6 **APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN RATES].**
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8 A dispatch service may establish the fares the taxicabs that subscribe to it
9 are to charge through a rate-setting rule by filing an application [WHICH
10 INCLUDES THE PROPOSED RULE WITH THE COMMISSION AND THE
11 DATE ON WHICH THE PROPOSED RATE CHANGE IS REQUESTED TO
12 TAKE EFFECT,] and by undertaking any other notices required by the
13 transportation inspector. Dispatch-established taxicab fare rates shall
14 become effective no earlier than 30 days after notice of the change to the
15 internal rule is sent to subscribing taxicab permittees and the transportation
16 inspector. [THE RATE REQUESTED MUST NOT EXCEED THE RATE AS
17 ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION.]
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19 (AO No. 89-63; AO No. 89-97; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-
20 109(S-1), § 4, 12-3-13)

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22 **11.40.090 - Dispatch service rates—Effective date of change.**
23 **(Repealed)**
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25 [DISPATCH SERVICE RATES ESTABLISHED BY REGULATION SHALL
26 BECOME EFFECTIVE NO EARLIER THAN 30 DAYS [AFTER FINAL
27 APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION UNDER SECTION 11.10.050 OR AT A
28 LATER DATE IF SET BY THE ASSEMBLY WHEN IT APPROVES THE
29 REGULATION. A DISPATCH SERVICE'S RATES SET BY INTERNAL
30 RULE SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSION AND BECOME
31 EFFECTIVE NO EARLIER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER WRITTEN NOTICE OF
32 FINAL APPROVAL IS SENT TO THE PERMIT OWNERS BY THE
33 DISPATCH SERVICE.]
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35 (AO No. 89-63; AO No. 98-51(S), § 4, 5-4-99; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 4,
36 12-3-13)

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38 **Section 5.** Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations section 11.10.009 is
39 hereby amended to read as follows (*the remainder of the section is not affected and*
40 *therefore not set out*):
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42 **11.10.009 - Rates, fares, and fees.**
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44 A. [MAXIMUM RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR TAXICAB SERVICE,
45 FARES, AND FEES UNDER TITLE 11 ARE A MUNICIPAL
46 FUNCTION, NOT A DISPATCH FUNCTION.] The following rates and

fares amounts and restrictions shall apply to taxicab service:

1. ~~(Repealed)~~ [THE FARE FOR TAXICAB SERVICE WHEN A TAXICAB IS OPERATED ON TIME SHALL BE NO MORE THAN \$45.00 FOR EACH HOUR. A CHAUFFEUR SHALL NOTIFY ITS DISPATCH SERVICE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH TRIP BASED ON TIME.]
2. The fare for taxicab curbside service only, when the taxicab is operated on mileage, shall be no more than \$3.00 for the first one-tenth mile traveled and no more than \$0.30 for every one-tenth mile traveled.
3. The fare for taxicab service when the taxicab is operated on both time and mileage shall be computed in accordance with the applicable rates as established by the dispatch service [SUBSECTIONS A. AND B. OF THIS SECTION], provided that during the same trip, time and mileage are charged alternately and not concurrently.
4. A fuel surcharge may [SHALL] be added to each trip fare. The fuel surcharge shall be adjusted twice per year on March 1 and October 1 based upon the prior 180 days average price of regular unleaded fuel in Anchorage, inclusive of any motor fuel taxes. The average shall be based on the AAA fuel gauge report for Anchorage published by the Oil Price Information Service at <http://fuelgauge.report.opisnet.com/AKmetro.asp>

Average Price of Fuel	Fuel Surcharge Flag Drop
<\$3.99	\$0.00
\$4.00—\$4.50	\$0.50
\$4.51—\$5.00	\$1.00
\$5.01—\$5.50	\$2.00
>\$5.51	\$3.00

5. Flat or group rates for taxicab service may be established by contractual agreement between dispatch service companies and individuals or other business entities [, BUT THE RATE FOR THE SERVICE UNDER AN AGREEMENT MAY NOT EXCEED THE ESTABLISHED MAXIMUM RATES].
- B. The following fees shall be payable to the municipality at the office of the transportation inspector:
1. Fifty dollars shall accompany any application to change the vehicle operated as a taxicab, limousine or vehicle for hire, to change the owner of a taxicab, limousine, or vehicle for hire, or to change the dispatch service used by a taxicab.
 2. One thousand four hundred and twenty five [SEVEN HUNDRED] dollars (\$1,425.00) shall be paid for the issuance or annual renewal of a taxicab, limousine, or vehicle for hire

1 permit, except that the fee shall be reduced when:

- 2 a. The original permit for a taxicab, limited taxicab, or
 3 limousine is issued after July 1, in which case the fee is
 4 \$712.50 [\$985.00]; or
 5 b. The original permit for a vehicle for hire is issued for any
 6 period of six months or less, as designated by the
 7 applicant, in which case the fee is \$712.50 [\$985.00].
 8 c. The original permit or annual renewal for a vehicle for
 9 hire is issued for seasonal operations of any period of
 10 six months or less, as designated by the applicant, in
 11 which case the fee is \$712.50 [\$985.00].

12 Taxicab permits shall originally be issued for the successful bid
 13 price pursuant to section 11.20.030 D. and thereafter in
 14 accordance with this section.

- 15 3. Three thousand five hundred dollars shall be paid for the
 16 issuance or annual renewal of any dispatch license.
 17 4. Sixty-five dollars shall be paid for the issuance or biennial
 18 renewal of a chauffeur's license.
 19 5. Thirty-five dollars shall be paid for each appeal from a civil
 20 penalty for violation of a provision of this title or municipal
 21 regulation promulgated under this title. This fee is refundable if
 22 the decision of the hearing officer overturns the decision of the
 23 transportation inspector in whole, or in part.
 24 6. Five hundred dollars shall be paid for an annual substitute
 25 vehicle use permit issued pursuant to section 11.20.050.
 26 7. Fifteen dollars shall be paid each time the transportation
 27 inspector certifies and seals a taximeter unless such service is
 28 performed in connection with a semiannual inspection
 29 conducted pursuant to section 11.10.080 A. or with a change
 30 of vehicle for an existing permit pursuant to section 11.20.020.
 31 8. Fifteen dollars shall be paid for taximeter reinspection should
 32 the quarterly, semi-annual or annual inspection fail.
 33 9. One hundred dollars shall be paid for the issuance of annual
 34 renewal of a permit for a horse-drawn vehicle.
 35 10. Fifteen dollars shall be paid to replace a lost or stolen chauffeur,
 36 permittee, or dispatch service license.
 37 11. One thousand dollars shall accompany any application for the
 38 transfer of a permit or license.
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40 (AR No. 79-34; AR No. 79-162; AO No. 80-79; AO No. 84-18; AO No. 87-8;
 41 AO No. 87-126(S); AR No. 88-31; AR No. 92-110; AR No. 97-82, § 1, 6-3-
 42 97; AR No. 2005-252, § 1, 10-11-05; AO No. 2013-109(S-1), § 6, 12-3-13;
 43 AO No. 2017-142, § 1, 11-7-17)
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45 **Section 6.** Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations section 11.10.013 is hereby
 46 repealed. The current text of the section being deleted is as follows:

11.10.013 (Repealed) [PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.]

[THE PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 11.30.020 SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE PHYSICIAN'S EXAMINATION.]

(AR No. 79-34; AO No. 80-79; AR No. 2014-138, § 3, 5-20-14)

Section 7. The Anchorage Transportation Commission shall, within 120 days after passage and approval of this ordinance, review the regulations in AMCR chapters 11.10 and 11.20, consider revisions reasonable or necessary to implement this ordinance, and either submit adopted regulation amendments to the Assembly for approval or submit a report summarizing its review and additional actions planned to implement this ordinance.

Section 8. *[Note: new AO section in the S-version.]* The Anchorage Transportation Commission shall, within six months after passage and approval of this ordinance, submit a report to the Assembly regarding the feasibility and potential effects of allowing dynamic rate adjustments to taxicab fares to be charged. The report should address how the taximeter systems used in the industry in the Municipality could implement a dynamic rate in a fair manner and minimize the potential for improper application of a dynamic rate to prospective passengers, such as for unlawful discriminatory reasons.

Section 9. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk



MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 149-2018

Meeting Date: February 27, 2018

From: ASSEMBLY VICE-CHAIR DUNBAR

Subject: AO 2018-6(S)—AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 11 AND ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 11 TO MODERNIZE AND UPDATE PROVISIONS RELATED TO DISPATCH SERVICES AND SYSTEMS, CHAUFFEUR LICENSING, AND TAXICAB EQUIPMENT TO ACCOMMODATE NEW AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND MODIFY REGULATIONS TO ALLOW TAXICAB BUSINESSES TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE IN THE FOR HIRE TRANSPORTATION MARKET.

1 The S-version of this ordinance includes edits suggested by Assembly Members
2 and the Transportation Inspector, and it addresses some concerns raised by various
3 players in the industry. This memorandum identifies the changes as follows:
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- 5 • Page 2, line 18: add “approved metering application” to the definition of
6 taxicab to accommodate the new taximeter technology allowed by other
7 amendments.
- 8 • Page 3, line 31: delete subsection 11.10.050A.3. to remove the
9 Transportation Commission’s ability to promulgate regulations for rates for
10 vehicles for hire. This furthers the objective to remove the Municipality from
11 price-fixing in the industry. AMC 11.20.310B. covers application
12 requirements sufficient for the Commission’s review without needing
13 authority to set rates.
- 14 • Page 4 line 1: The allowance for a dynamic rate for taxicab fares up to 20%
15 over the regular fare is deleted. This decision is due to the current taximeter
16 technology used by the industry in Anchorage not being ready to
17 accommodate varying fare rates based on high market demand which may
18 be localized and not areawide, and the significant potential to apply dyn1amic
19 rates unfairly or for improper motives. In new AO Section 8 on page 40 the
20 Anchorage Transportation Commission is requested to study implementation
21 of dynamic rates and report to the Assembly with recommendations.
- 22 • Page 5: Some changes to AMC subsection 11.10.080A. are rolled back to
23 the original, to retain the Transportation Inspector’s designation of a vendor
24 to conduct vehicle inspections. The reduced frequency of inspections
25 remains in place. Some grammatical corrections included.
- 26 • Page 7: Instead of allowing chauffeurs to select, or permittees to send them,
27 to a drug and alcohol testing facility of their choice as originally proposed, the
28 S-version returns to a drug and alcohol testing program where the
29 Transportation Inspector develops the design, cost structure, and fee

1 determination. When required the TI sends a chauffeur to the designated
2 testing facility and the Municipality pays the fee, with recovery of those costs
3 each year from all permittees. The pre-chauffeur license drug and alcohol
4 test is still deleted as in the original ordinance, with testing only for reasonable
5 cause, post-accident, and post citation.

- 6 • Page 12, line 27: In AMC subsection 11.20.020B.5., the phrase “as a
7 principal” is removed as unnecessary.
- 8 • Page 13: in AMC subsection 11.20.020C.2. the time period for permit
9 applicants criminal history background check is changed from 5 to 7 years,
10 to be consistent with the chauffeur’s license background check. This
11 consistency is important because new taxicab permits require the applicant
12 to also be a chauffeur and operate the taxicab as an owner-operator pursuant
13 to AMC section 11.20.037D., and the 7-year period is the same as required
14 for other for-hire transportation providers regulated by the state. Also, the
15 offenses listed in subsection C.2.a. and b. are replaced with a cross reference
16 to the identical language in AMC subsections 11.30.040E.1. and E.2. to
17 remove redundancy.
- 18 • Page 13 line 40: language is edited to remove unnecessary wording and
19 ensure brevity.
- 20 • Page 18, lines 15-20: the prior notice of idling a permit is also required to be
21 given to the dispatch service, and the cross reference to the time period
22 defined as “reasonable prior notice” is added.
- 23 • Page 21, line 34: subsection D. is added to ensure the taximeter equipment
24 allows operator entry of pickup/destination information to be entered, and all
25 trip data required for dispatch records will be accommodated.
- 26 • Pages 21-22: current AMC subsections 11.20.100B. and C. are newly added
27 to the S-version to make a change to the seating capacity that determines
28 the level of insurance required. The Transportation Inspector requested this
29 change to resolve an ambiguity with minivans and SUVs used as taxicabs
30 and the required insurance. The reasonable prior notice for idling adds notice
31 to the dispatch service and is cross referenced to section 11.40.040B.
32 Language regarding a lapse or cancellation of insurance is clarified in
33 subsection E.
- 34 • Page 25, line 39: In AMC subsection 11.30.020 there are two changes:
 - 35 ○ Subsection B.5.: the minimum age to obtain a chauffeur’s license is
36 changed to “18 years of age” to maintain consistency with other age
37 requirements for obtaining a permit or dispatch license.
 - 38 ○ Subsection C. is combined into B.6. to remove redundant language
39 regarding the applicant’s ability to read, write and speak the English
40 language by passing a test administered by the Transportation
41 Inspector.
- 42 • Page 26, line 32: The provision prohibiting a person from reapplying for a
43 license after being denied is clarified, and an exception added allowing
44 persons denied for failing the English competency examination to reapply
45 immediately, or at any time.
- 46 • Pages 29-30: The language regarding trip sheets in section 11.30.140 is
47 partially restored, to allow their use if an operator chooses to. If used the
48 retention period remains the same.

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- Page 36, line 44: The place of passenger dropoff is added as a requirement for dispatch service records.
- Page 39, line 17: in the regulations, AMCR subsection 11.10.009A.4. the word “shall” is changed to “may,” to clarify that taxicabs are not required to add fuel surcharges to the trip fare, and in acknowledgment that, except for curbside hails, dispatch services set their fare rates and may consider fuel prices when they do.
- Page 41, line 18: a new AO section 8 is added, to request the Anchorage Transportation Commission study the feasibility and efficacy of allowing a dynamic rate to be charged for taxicab service, and report its findings or recommendations to the Assembly within six months. The current Section 8 is renumbered to 9.

Prepared by: Assembly Counsel
Respectfully submitted: Forrest Dunbar, Assembly Vice-Chair
District 5 – East Anchorage