

# Regulatory Analysis Form

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## SECTION I: PROFILE

(1) Agency:

Philadelphia Parking Authority

(2) Agency Number:

Identification Number: 126-1

IRRC Number:

#2885

(3) Short Title:

Philadelphia Taxicab and Limousine Regulations

(4) PA Code Cite:

52 Pa.Code Part II (proposed)

(5) Agency Contacts (List Telephone Number, Address, Fax Number and Email Address):

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Secondary Contact: James R. Ney, Director, Taxicab and Limousine Division at jney@philpark.org, 215-683-6417 (FAX: 215-683-9437), 2415 South Swanson Street, Philadelphia PA 19148.

(6) Primary Contact for Public Comments (List Telephone Number, Address, Fax Number and Email Address) – Complete if different from #5: Dennis G. Weldon, Jr., General Counsel at PRM101@philapark.org, 215-683-9630 (FAX: 215-683-9619), 3101 Market Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19115.

(All Comments will appear on IRRC'S website)

(7) Type of Rulemaking (check applicable box):

☒ Proposed Regulation

☐ Final Regulation

☐ Final Omitted Regulation

☐ Emergency Certification Regulation;

☐ Certification by the Governor

☐ Certification by the Attorney General

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(8) Briefly explain the regulation in clear and nontechnical language. (100 words or less)

The proposed regulations constitute the entire body of regulations intended for application to Philadelphia taxicab and limousine service providers. The proposed regulations are similar in kind to those currently used by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to regulate taxicabs and limousines in the Commonwealth, outside of Pennsylvania. However, the regulations are not identical to those used by the PUC.

The proposed regulations are intended to provide guidance for taxicab and limousine service providers in Philadelphia in all of the areas in which those providers must interact with the Authority and the public. The regulations provide administrative practice and procedure guidelines, driver training criteria, vehicle condition and inspection requirements, sale of rights guidelines, minimum insurance requirements, and many other rules and procedures drafted with the intent of fostering clean, safe and affordable common carrier transportation in Philadelphia without unduly burdening the service providers.

(9) Include a schedule for review of the regulation including:

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| A. The date by which the agency must receive public comments:                               | 30 days after publication in <i>Pa. B.</i>      |
| B. The date or dates on which public meetings or hearings will be held:                     | N.A   |
| C. The expected date of promulgation of the proposed regulation as a final-form regulation: | early 2011                                      |
| D. The expected effective date of the final-form regulation:                                | mid 2011  |
| E. The date by which compliance with the final-form regulation will be required:            | Upon publication in <i>Pa. B.</i>               |
| F. The date by which required permits, licenses or other approvals must be obtained:        | N.A. Existing certificates and rights continue. |

(10) Provide the schedule for continual review of the regulation.

Review will be provided as needed.

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### **SECTION II: STATEMENT OF NEED**

(11) State the statutory authority for the regulation. Include specific statutory citation.

Sections 13 and 17 of the act of July 16, 2004, (P.L. 758, No. 94), *as amended*, 53 Pa.C.S. §§5701 *et seq.*, §§ 5722 and 5742; section 5505(d) of the Parking Authorities Act, act of June 19, 2001, (P.L. 287, No. 22), *as amended*, 53 Pa. C.S. §§ 5505(d)(17) ), (d)(23), (d)(24).

(12) Is the regulation mandated by any federal or state law or court order, or federal regulation? Are there any relevant state or federal court decisions? If yes, cite the specific law, case or regulation as well as, any deadlines for action.

The act of July 16, 2004, (P.L. 758, No. 94), *as amended*, 53 Pa.C.S. §§5701 *et seq.* (the "Act") transferred regulatory authority over Philadelphia taxicab and limousine service providers from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to the Philadelphia Parking Authority. The Act permits the Authority to prescribe regulations, which it did in 2005 as a local agency. In 2009, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court overruled the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court in the case of *Blount, et al. v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, 965 A.2d 226 (Pa. 2009), to determine that the Authority was a Commonwealth agency for purposes of judicial jurisdiction, but only when it acted in its capacity as a regulator of taxicab and limousine services in Philadelphia.

In April 2010, in the case of *Germantown Cab Co. v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, 993 A.2d 933 (Pa.Comm. Ct. 2010) the Commonwealth Court determined that the Authority's taxicab and limousine regulations were invalid because they were not promulgated in accordance with the Commonwealth Documents Law. The *Germantown Cab Co.* case has been appealed to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court (*See, e.g.*, Pennsylvania Supreme Court Docket No. 213 EAL 2010.)

(13) State why the regulation is needed. Explain the compelling public interest that justifies the regulation. Describe who will benefit from the regulation. Quantify the benefits as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will benefit.

Just as the PUC has promulgated regulations pertaining to taxicab and limousine service in areas of the Commonwealth outside of Philadelphia, the Authority seeks implementation of these regulations as a Commonwealth Agency. The proposed regulations are substantially similar to the local regulations in place currently, with several modifications based upon specific state agency requirements (*e.g.* references to General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure, 1 Pa.Code 1.1 *et seq.*) and changes based on the experiences of the Authority over the past five years and public concerns about the quality of service provided.

The proposed rule making constitutes the Authority's attempt to implement an entire body of regulations crafted to provide guidance to regulated persons and assurance to the public that the highest level of affordable taxicab and limousine service is anticipated in Philadelphia. The regulations will benefit all users of taxicabs and limousines in Philadelphia.

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(14) If scientific data, studies, references are used to justify this regulation, please submit material with the regulatory package. Please provide full citation and/or links to internet source.

No scientific data, studies, references are used to justify these regulations.

(15) Describe who and how many will be adversely affected by the regulation. How are they affected?

Taxicab certificate holders without city-wide service rights will be capped in terms of the number of taxicabs that may be operated at a level consistent with those employed in November 2010. The adverse impact of that cap is expected to be limited because the geographical areas within Philadelphia in which those providers may operate are also restricted by statute. There are only six affected certificate holders.

Most taxicab operators use vehicles that have been retired from service as police vehicles or taxicabs in other cities due to excessive mileage and deteriorated condition. The proposed regulations require newer vehicles to be introduced into service as taxicabs in Philadelphia. This requirement will increase certain operational costs for some regulated parties, although costs related to repairs, failed inspections and vehicle condition penalties are expected to be reduced and ridership is expected to increase. This change will affect the owner of every taxicab with Philadelphia rights.

Taxicabs will be required to increase certain financial responsibility (auto insurance) levels slightly over the currently mandated state minimum level which will result in increased costs to taxicab owners.

(16) List the persons, groups or entities that will be required to comply with the regulation. Approximate the number of people who will be required to comply.

Approximately:

4,300 drivers  
700 taxicab medallion owners  
6 partial-rights carriers  
12 dispatchers  
127 limousine companies



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### **SECTION III: COST AND IMPACT ANALYSIS**

(17) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the **regulated community** associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

The Authority anticipates that the regulations will be revenue neutral for most regulated persons. These regulations will replace a substantially similar version of locally promulgated regulations in effect in Philadelphia for nearly six years. The Authority's taxicab and limousine operating budget, including fee schedules and assessments applicable to all regulated parties, must be submitted for review to the Appropriations Committees of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and the Senate as provided in 53 Pa.C.S. §5707(b).

Certain taxicab owners accustomed to using older high mileage vehicles to provide taxicab service will incur initial increased costs associated with replacing some of those vehicles over the course of the first year of these regulations. Because the proposed regulations do not require the use of new vehicles, the costs to obtain the used vehicles generally operated by taxicab owners is difficult to estimate. The regulations that require newer and lower mileage vehicles are waived for wheelchair accessible and hybrid vehicles in an attempt to encourage the use of those vehicles. See response to question No. 15.

(18) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to **local governments** associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

Local governments will not be affected by this rulemaking.

(19) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to **state government** associated with the implementation of the regulation, including any legal, accounting, or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

There will be no cost or savings to the Authority or other agencies in the state government as a result of these regulations.

(20) In the table below, provide an estimate of the fiscal savings and costs associated with implementation and compliance for the regulated community, local government, and state government for the current year and five subsequent years.

	<b>Current FY Year</b>	<b>FY +1 Year</b>	<b>FY +2 Year</b>	<b>FY +3 Year</b>	<b>FY +4 Year</b>	<b>FY +5 Year</b>
<b>SAVINGS:</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Regulated Community</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A

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<b>Local Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>State Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Total Savings</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>COSTS:</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Regulated Community</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Local Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>State Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Total Costs</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>REVENUE LOSSES:</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Regulated Community</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Local Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>State Government</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A
<b>Total Revenue Losses</b>	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A

(20a) Provide the past three year expenditure history for programs affected by the regulation.

<b>Program</b>	<b>FY -3</b>	<b>FY -2</b>	<b>FY -1</b>	<b>Current FY</b>
Authority budget for taxicab and limousine regulation	\$4,512,362	\$4,565,119	\$4,662,436	\$5,101,777

(21) Explain how the benefits of the regulation outweigh any cost and adverse effects.

The goal of the proposed regulation is to provide world class taxicab and limousine service in Philadelphia.

These regulations will replace a substantially similar version of locally promulgated regulations in effect in Philadelphia for nearly six years, and will result in better screened and trained drivers, newer and

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cleaner taxicabs, more uniformity and quality between medallion taxicabs and partial-rights taxicabs, broader payment options for passengers and myriad of other improvements. The proposed regulations will encourage the use of wheelchair accessible vehicles and hybrid vehicles as taxicabs.

(22) Describe the communications with and input from the public and any advisory council/group in the development and drafting of the regulation. List the specific persons and/or groups who were involved.

Many sections of the proposed regulations are exact replicas of the existing locally promulgated regulations in effect in Philadelphia, many of which were drafted and implemented with the input and at the request of industry members. The need for rapidity in the formulation of the version of the regulations now proposed has foreclosed the option of advanced input. However, the Authority will pay keen attention to the public comments submitted pursuant to this state agency process.

(23) Include a description of any alternative regulatory provisions which have been considered and rejected and a statement that the least burdensome acceptable alternative has been selected.

The proposed regulations are largely derived from the existing locally promulgated regulations in effect in Philadelphia, however, the form of the regulations have been heavily modified to comply with requirements applicable to the *Pennsylvania Code* and to address procedures related to the General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure now applicable to the Authority. As noted above, the proposed regulations have been modified as to substantive issues largely focused upon the points the public most often interfaces with the regulated parties, such as vehicle condition, driver training, and meter technology. No other regulatory schemes were considered.

(24) Are there any provisions that are more stringent than federal standards? If yes, identify the specific provisions and the compelling Pennsylvania interest that demands stronger regulations.

The regulations do not apply to services provided solely pursuant to federal rights.

(25) How does this regulation compare with those of other states? How will this affect Pennsylvania's ability to compete with other states?

The proposed regulations are substantially similar to those of other large municipalities in other states, although there are few direct comparisons due to unique characteristics of each municipality. Nothing in the proposed regulations will put Pennsylvania as a competitive disadvantage with other states.

(26) Will the regulation affect any other regulations of the promulgating agency or other state agencies? If yes, explain and provide specific citations.

The proposed regulations will not affect any other regulation of the Authority or other state agencies.

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(27) Submit a statement of legal, accounting or consulting procedures and additional reporting, recordkeeping or other paperwork, including copies of forms or reports, which will be required for implementation of the regulation and an explanation of measures which have been taken to minimize these requirements.

No additional legal, accounting or consulting procedures and additional reporting, recordkeeping or other paperwork will be required to implement the proposed regulations other than the rulemaking itself.

(28) Please list any special provisions which have been developed to meet the particular needs of affected groups or persons including, but not limited to, minorities, elderly, small businesses, and farmers.

The proposed regulations reiterate and expand the prohibition of discrimination already present in the Authority's locally promulgated regulations, particularly by drivers. A regulated person may not refuse service to a member of the public on the basis of gender, sexual orientation, race, religious preference, nationality, age, point of origin, point of destination or to a person with a disability. *See* §1011.10 (relating to discrimination in service).

The proposed regulations provide that taxicabs must transport dogs trained for the purpose of assisting blind, deaf or physically disabled persons when accompanying blind, deaf or physically disabled persons paying a regular fare. The guide dogs must be properly leashed and may not occupy a seat. *See* §1017.7 (relating to transportation of blind, deaf or physically disabled persons with service animals).

The proposed regulations seek to encourage the use of wheelchair accessible taxicabs by permitting those vehicles to remain in service for longer periods of time than standard vehicles. *See* §§1017.3 and 1017.4 (relating to taxicab age parameters; and taxicab mileage parameters).

Driver training will be amended to include emphasis on these subjects.

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BY [Signature]  
(DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL)

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TITLE: Executive Director

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BY [Signature]  
Dennis G. Weldon, Jr.  
General Counsel

Nov. 23, 2010  
DATE OF APPROVAL

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approval or objection within 30 days after  
submission.

PRM-10-001  
Proposed Rulemaking  
Philadelphia Taxicab and Limousine Regulations  
52 Pa. Code, Part II

The Philadelphia Parking Authority on November 22, 2010, adopted a proposed rulemaking order which establishes a body of regulations applicable to Philadelphia taxicabs and limousine service providers. This proposed rule making was necessitated by the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court's determination in *Germantown Cab Co., v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, that the Authority's existing local regulations are invalid because they were not promulgated pursuant to the Commonwealth Documents law. 993 A.2d 933 (Pa. Commw Ct. 2010). The matter is on appeal to the Supreme Court, but the Authority will proceed with this proposed rule making in an abundance of caution. The contact person is Dennis G. Weldon, Jr. General Counsel, 215-683-9630.

# THE PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY

In Re: Proposed Rulemaking Order :  
Philadelphia Taxicab and :  
Limousine Regulations : Docket No. PRM-10-001  
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## PROPOSED RULEMAKING ORDER

### BY THE AUTHORITY:

In accordance with of the act of July 16, 2004, (P.L. 758, No. 94), *as amended*, 53 Pa.C.S. §§5701 *et seq.*, (the “Act”),<sup>1</sup> the Authority formally commences its rulemaking process to promulgate the entire body of regulations for taxicab and limousine service providers in Philadelphia. The Authority seeks comments from all interested parties on these proposed regulations, which are found at Annex A to this Order.

#### **A. Background and Procedural History**

Pursuant to Section 23 of the Act, the Authority initiated regulatory oversight of taxicab and limousine service providers in Philadelphia on April 10, 2005. That regulatory oversight was guided by regulations promulgated by the Authority as a local agency. Because the Authority had been determined to be a local agency from the time of its inception through April 10, 2010, and beyond, the Authority’s regulations were implemented without publication or review in the form required by the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L. 633, No. 181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, and Sections 201 through 208 of the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L. 769, No 240), referred to as the Commonwealth Documents Law, although the regulations were subject to public comment and Sunshine Act<sup>2</sup> review.

In February of 2009 the Pennsylvania Supreme Court overruled the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court to determine that the Authority was a Commonwealth agency for purposes of judicial jurisdiction, but only when it acted in its capacity as a regulator of taxicab and limousine services in Philadelphia.<sup>3</sup> In April 2010, the Commonwealth Court determined that the Authority’s taxicab and limousine regulations were invalid because they were not promulgated in accordance with the Commonwealth Documents Law.<sup>4</sup> While the validity of the

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<sup>1</sup> See Sections 13 and 17 of the Act.

<sup>2</sup> See 65 Pa.C.S.A. §701 *et seq.*

<sup>3</sup> *Blount, et al. v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, 965 A.2d 226 (Pa. 2009)

<sup>4</sup> *Germantown Cab Co., v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, 993 A.2d 933 (Pa. Commw Ct. 2010)

Authority's existing local agency regulations remains under appeal to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court,<sup>5</sup> the Authority moves to promulgate the regulations found at Annex A in an abundance of caution.

## **DISCUSSION**

The proposed regulations found at Annex A have been drafted to be placed in Part II of Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code. Part I of that title relates to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (the "PUC"). Certain portions of the proposed regulations are modeled on the practices and procedures of the PUC, but few are identical due to the more narrow scope of the Authority's jurisdiction as a regulator of public utilities engaged in taxicab and limousine services in Philadelphia.

The proposed regulations are organized as follows:

Subpart A. General Provisions.

Subpart B. Taxicabs.

Subpart C. Limousines.

While there are many similarities in the services provided by taxicabs and limousines, the Authority has divided its proposed regulations as provided above in order to assist regulated parties with their search for sections applicable to their specific area of service. The proposed regulations also incorporate many of the requirements of the Authority's current local regulations and previously issued orders. Standards, requirements and procedures have been modified to address concerns of regulated parties and the general public.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Authority, therefore, formally commences its rulemaking process to promulgate regulations at 52 Pa. Code Part II consistent with Annex A to this Order. The Authority seeks comments from all interested parties on this proposed body of regulations, which are found at Annex A to this Order. The Authority hereby advises that all comments submitted in response to this Order will be posted, without redaction of name, address, or other personal information or comment provided, on the website of the Independent Regulatory Review Commission, which may be reached at 717-783-5417.

Accordingly, under sections 13 and 17 of the Act, 53 Pa.C.S. §§ 5722 and 5742; section 5505(d) of the Parking Authorities Act, act of June 19, 2001, (P.L. 287, No. 22), *as amended*, 53 Pa. C.S. §§ 5505(d)(17), (d)(23), (d)(24); sections 201 and 202 of the Act of July 31, 1968, P.L. 769 No. 240, 45 P.S. §§ 1201-1202, and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 1 Pa. Code §§ 7.1, 7.2, and 7.5; section 204(b) of the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, 71 P.S. 732.204(b); section 745.5

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<sup>5</sup> See, e.g., Pennsylvania Supreme Court Docket No. 213 EAL 2010.

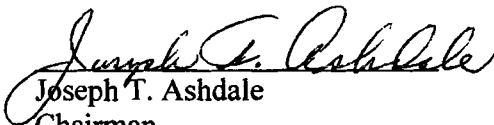
of the Regulatory Review Act, 71 P.S. § 745.5 we are considering adopting the proposed regulations set forth in Annex A<sup>6</sup>, attached hereto;

**THEREFORE,**

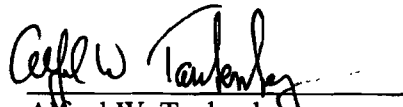
**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That a proposed rulemaking be opened to consider the regulations set forth in Annex A.
2. That the Executive Director shall submit this proposed rulemaking Order and Annex A to the Office of Attorney General for review as to form and legality.
3. That the Executive Director shall submit this proposed rulemaking Order and Annex A for review and comments to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission and the Legislative Standing Committees.
4. That the Secretary of the Board shall certify this proposed rulemaking Order and Annex A and that the Executive Director shall deposit them with the Legislative Reference Bureau to be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.
5. That an original and 15 copies of any written comments referencing the docket number of the proposed regulations be submitted within 30 days of publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* to the Philadelphia Parking Authority, Attn: General Counsel, 3101 Market Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104.
6. That a copy of this proposed rulemaking Order and Annex A shall be served on the City of the First Class Taxicab and Limousine Advisory Committee and a copy shall be posted on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).
7. That the contact person for this proposed rulemaking is James R. Ney, Director, Taxicab and Limousine Division, (215)-683-9417.

**THE PHILADELPHIA PARKING  
AUTHORITY**

  
Joseph T. Ashdale  
Chairman  
(SEAL)

**Certified:**

  
Alfred W. Taubenberg  
Vice-Chairman/Secretary  
(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: November 22, 2010  
ORDER ENTERED: November 23, 2010

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<sup>6</sup> The Authority does not receive money from the State Treasury and is; therefore, not subject to section 612 of the Administrative Code of 1929, 71 P.S. § 232.



## **ANNEX A**



**The  
Philadelphia Parking Authority**

**Taxicab and Limousine Regulations**

**Proposed Rulemaking**

**November 22, 2010**

# **TITLE 52**

## **PUBLIC UTILITIES**

### **Part II.**

### **Philadelphia Parking Authority**

Subpart.		Sec.
A.	General Provisions.	1001.1
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### **SUBPART A.**

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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# **CHAPTER 1.**

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### **SUBCHAPTER A.**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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#### **§1001.1. Purpose.**

(a) The purpose of this part is to facilitate the implementation of the act.

(b) Except as provide in subsection (c), certificate holders, brokers, taxicab drivers, limousine drivers, and other persons with current and valid rights issued by the Authority on the date these regulations are published in final form in the

*Pennsylvania Bulletin* shall maintain those rights through the Authority consistent with the provisions of these regulations and the act.

(c) Rights issued by the Authority through issuance of a waiver prior to the date these regulations are published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* will expire one year from the date of that final form publication.

**§1001.2. Scope of subpart and severability.**

(a) This subpart governs practice and procedure before the Authority, and is intended to supplement 2 Pa.C.S. (relating to administrative law and procedure) and 1 Pa. Code, Part II (relating to General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure).

(b) The provisions of every section, subsection or other division of this part are severable. If any provision of any section, subsection or other division of this part or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the section, subsection or other division, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby, unless a court finds that the valid provisions of the section, subsection or other division are so essentially and inseparably connected with, and so depend upon, the void provision or application, that it cannot be presumed the Authority would have promulgated the remaining valid provisions without the void one; or unless the court finds that the remaining valid provisions, standing alone, are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

**§1001.3. Liberal construction.**

(a) This subpart shall be liberally construed to secure the just, speedy and efficient determination of every action, proceeding or issue presented to which it is applicable. The Authority or presiding officer at any stage of an action or proceeding may disregard an error or defect of procedure which does not affect the substantive rights of the parties.

(b) The singular includes the plural, and the plural, the singular. Words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter. Words used in the past or present tense include the future.

(c) The Authority or presiding officer at any stage of an action or proceeding may waive a requirement of this subpart when necessary or appropriate, if the waiver does not adversely affect a substantive right of a party.

(d) These liberal construction provisions apply with particularity in proceedings involving pro se litigants.

(e) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.2 (relating to liberal construction).

**§1001.4. Information and special instructions.**

(a) Information as to procedures under this subpart, and instructions supplementing this subpart in special instances can be obtained, upon application to:

Clerk  
Office of the Clerk  
Philadelphia Parking Authority  
Taxicab and Limousine Division  
2415 South Swanson Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19148

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §31.4 (relating to information and special instructions).

**§1001.5. Office of the Clerk.**

(a) The Authority's Office of the Clerk (Clerk) will have the following duties:

(1) Receive and docket pleadings and other documents required by this part to be filed with the Clerk.

(2) Receive and process any document to be filed with the Authority when a specific Authority office to receive the document has not otherwise been designated by the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(b) Filings and requests for practice and procedure information should be directed to:

Clerk  
Office of the Clerk  
Philadelphia Parking Authority  
Taxicab and Limousine Division  
2415 South Swanson Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19148

(c) The Clerk will maintain a docket of proceedings. Each proceeding as initiated will be assigned a docket number. The docket will be available for inspection and copying by the public during the Authority's office hours.

**§1001.6. Filing generally.**

(a) Pleadings and other documents required to be filed with the Authority must clearly designate the docket number or similar identifying symbols, if any,

employed by the Authority, and set forth a short title. The identity of the individual making the submission, including name, mailing address and status (for example, party or attorney for a party) must appear on the document.

(b) Pleadings, including documents filed under this subpart, must also comply with Subchapter D (relating to documentary filings).

(c) If a pleading tendered for filing does not comply with this subpart, does not sufficiently set forth required material or is otherwise insufficient, the Authority may decline to accept it for filing and may return it without filing, or the Authority may accept it for filing and advise the person tendering it of the deficiency and require that the deficiency be corrected.

(d) The Authority may require redundant, immaterial, obscene or otherwise inappropriate comments stricken from documents filed with it.

(e) Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.5 (relating to communications and filings generally).

#### **§1001.7. Amendment to rules.**

(a) Persons may file a petition as provided in §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations) requesting a general and permanent change in this subpart.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.6 (relating to amendments to rules).

#### **§1001.8. Authority office hours and address.**

Unless otherwise directed by the Executive Director of the Authority, the Authority offices will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on business days except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays. Certain Authority's offices may be open on Saturdays by appointment. The appropriate address for service of any Authority employee or officer may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

#### **§1001.9. Sessions of the Authority.**

Public meetings of the Authority ordinarily will be held in its offices at 3101 Market Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Schedules for public meetings can be obtained from the General Counsel.

#### **§1001.10. Definitions.**

(a) Subject to additional definitions contained in subparts which are applicable to specific chapters or subchapters, the following words and terms, when used in this

part, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Act*—The Act of July 16, 2004, P.L. 758, No. 94 (relating to the regulation of taxicabs and limousines in cities of the first class).

*Adjudication*—An order, decree, decision, determination or ruling by the Authority affecting personal or property rights, privileges, immunities, duties, liabilities or obligations of the parties to the proceeding in which the adjudication is made.

*Applicant*—A person, who on his own behalf or on behalf of another, is applying for permission to engage in an act or activity which is regulated under the act or this part. In cases in which the applicant is a person other than an individual, the Authority will determine the associated persons whose qualifications are necessary as a precondition to the approval of the application.

*Adversarial proceeding*—A proceeding initiated by a person to seek Authority approvals, tariff changes, enforcement, remedies, issuance of fines or other relief by order of the Authority which is contested by one or more other persons and which will be decided on the basis of a formal record.

*Approved, approval or approve*—The date that an application to the Authority is granted regardless of the pendency of administrative or judicial appeals or other legal action challenging the decision of the Authority.

*Authority*—The Philadelphia Parking Authority.

*Authorized agent*—A person with permission to legally act on behalf of the filing user.

*Board*—A quorum of the members of the Philadelphia Parking Authority appointed pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. §5508.1 (relating to special provisions in cities of the first class).

*Broker*—An individual duly authorized by the Authority as provided in §1029.8 (relating to broker registration approval) to prepare application related documents, appear at settlements, and otherwise act on behalf of a party as to matters related to the sale or transfer of a certificate or medallion.

*Certificate*—A certificate of public convenience issued by the Authority pursuant to the act. The term does not include a driver's certificate or broker registration.

*Certificate holder*—The person to whom a certificate is issued.



*City of Philadelphia or Philadelphia*—A city of the first class in the Commonwealth.

*Clerk*—The Authority employee with whom pleadings and other documents are filed, and with whom official records are kept pursuant to §1001.5 (relating to Office of the Clerk) and as otherwise provided for in this part.

*Compensation*—A thing of value, money or a financial benefit conferred on or received by a person in return for services rendered, or to be rendered, whether by that person or another.

*Contested complaint*—A formal complaint.

*Criminal history report*—The report issued by the Pennsylvania State Police, or similar government entity in a jurisdiction outside the Commonwealth, which will identify any convictions associated with an individual.

*Director*—The Director of the Authority's Taxicab and Limousine Division as provided in §1003.52 (relating to TLD staffing generally).

*Electronic mail or email*—A means of dispatching or receiving notice or a submittal in relation to an Authority matter through electronic means.

*Enforcement proceeding*.—A proceeding initiated by the Authority through the issuance of a formal complaint averring any violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

*Executive Director*—The Authority's chief operating officer.

*Ex parte communication*—

(i) Any off-the-record communications regarding a pending matter before the Authority or which may reasonably be expected to come before the board in a contested on-the-record proceeding.

(ii) The term does not include off-the-record communications by and between members, staff and employees of the Authority, the PUC, the Pennsylvania State Police, the Attorney General or other law enforcement officials necessary for their official duties under this part.

*Fiscal year*—The period which commences on July 1 and terminates the following June 30.

*Formal complaint*—A written document filed with the Clerk initiating an enforcement action as provided in Chapter 5 (relating to formal proceedings).

*Formal investigation*—A matter initiated by the Authority or Authority staff that results in a formal record.

*Formal proceeding*—A matter intended to produce a formal record.

*Formal record*—The pleadings and submittals in a matter or proceeding, a notice or Authority order initiating the matter or proceeding, and if a hearing is held, the following: the designation of the presiding officer, transcript of hearing, exhibits received in evidence, offers of proof, motions, stipulations, subpoenas, proofs of service, references to the Authority and determinations made by the Authority thereon, certifications to the Authority, and anything else upon which action of the presiding officer or the Authority may be based.

*Friendly cross-examination*—Cross-examination of a witness by a party who does not disagree with the witness' position on an issue.

*General Counsel*—Chief legal counsel to the Authority.

*Hearing officer*—A presiding officer.

*Individual*—A natural person.

*Informal complaint*—A document or communication to the Authority seeking action on a matter as provided in §1003.21 (relating to form and content of informal complaints).

*Informal investigation*—A matter initiated by the Authority staff that may result in a formal complaint, a settlement or other resolution of the matter or termination by letter.

*Informal proceeding*—A matter not intended to produce a formal record.

*Nonadversarial proceeding*—A proceeding initiated by a person which is not contested or a proceeding initiated by the Authority or at the request of a person to develop regulations, policies, procedures, technical rules or interpretations of law.

*Notarial officer*—An officer authorized under 1 Pa.Code §35.148 (relating to officer before whom deposition may be taken) and a presiding officer.

*Party*—A person who appears in a proceeding before the Authority, including (but not limited to) interveners, protestants, petitioners, respondents and certificate holders. The term includes the interests of the Authority which may be represented by the Enforcement Department, the TLD, other Authority staff or Trial Counsel, or all of them.

*Person*—Except as otherwise provided in this part or in the act, a natural person, corporation, foundation, organization, business trust, estate, limited liability company, licensed corporation, trust, partnership, limited liability partnership, association, representatives, receivers, agencies, governmental entities, municipalities or other political subdivisions or other form of legal business entity.

*Petitioners*—Persons seeking relief, not otherwise designated in this section.

*Pleading*—An application, complaint, petition, answer, motion, preliminary objection, protest, reply, new matter and reply to new matter or other similar document filed in a formal proceeding.

*Presiding officer*—A member or members of the Authority's board, or such other person designated by the Authority or this part to conduct proceedings. This definition supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.3 (relating to definitions).

*Proof of service*—A certificate of service which complies with §§1001.55 and 1001.56 (relating to proof of service; and form of certificate of service).

*Protestants*—Persons objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an application or other matter which the Authority may have under consideration.

*Public Utility Commission or PUC*—The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

*Recommended decision*—An opinion and order submitted for the approval of the Authority by the presiding officer.

*Regulations*—The regulations of the Authority found in this part.

*Respondents*—Persons subject to a statute or other delegated authority administered by the Authority, who are required to respond to an order or notice issued by the Authority instituting a proceeding or investigation on its own initiative or otherwise.

*Staff*—Employees or agents of the Authority assigned to implement the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

*Submittal*—An application, amendment, exhibit or similar document involving matters filed in an adversarial or nonadversarial proceeding.

*Taxicab and Limousine Division or TLD*—The division of the Authority comprised of staff assigned to implement the purposes of the act, this part and the orders of the Authority.

*TLD Headquarters*—The office of the Taxicab and Limousine Division identified on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). Unless specifically provided otherwise, communications with any Authority staff member shall be directed to TLD Headquarters.

*Trial Counsel*—An attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania who is assigned to the Office of Trial Counsel to prosecute complaints on behalf of the Authority as provided in §1003.55 (relating to Office of Trial Counsel).

*Verification*—When used in reference to a written statement of fact by the signer, means supported by either (a) an oath or affirmation before an officer authorized by law to administer oaths, or before a particular officer or individual designated by law as one before whom it may be taken, and officially certified to in the case of an officer under seal of office or (b) a unsworn statement made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.3 (relating to definitions).

## **SUBCHAPTER B.**

### **TIME**

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#### **§1001.11. Date of filing.**

(a) Whenever a pleading, submittal or other document is required or permitted to be filed under this part or by statute, it will be deemed to be filed on the date actually received with the Clerk, or such other office as specifically designated by the Authority.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.11 (relating to timely filing required).

**§1001.12. Computation of time.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided by statute, in computing a period of time prescribed or allowed by this part or by statute, the day of the act, event or default after which the designated period of time begins to run is not included. The last day of the period is included, unless it is Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday in this Commonwealth, in which event the period shall run until the end of the next day which is neither a Saturday, Sunday or holiday. A part-day holiday shall be considered as a holiday. Intermediate Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays shall be included in the computation.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by statute, in computing a period of time prescribed or allowed by this part or by statute which is measured by counting a specified number of days backward from a scheduled future act, event or default, the day of the scheduled future act, event or default is not included. The day on which the prescribed or allowed action is to occur shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday in this Commonwealth, in which event the day of the prescribed or allowed action shall run until the next preceding day which is neither a Saturday, Sunday or holiday. A part-day holiday shall be considered as a holiday. Intermediate Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays are included in the computation.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.12 (relating to computation of time).

**§1001.13. Issuance of Authority orders.**

(a) In computing a period of time involving the date of the issuance of an order by the Authority, the day of issuance of an order will be the date the Clerk enters the order. An order will not be made public prior to its entry except where, in the Authority's judgment, the public interest so requires. The date of entry of an order may or may not be the day of its adoption by the Authority. The Clerk will clearly indicate on each order the date of its adoption by the Authority and the date of its entry.

(b) At the time a decision of a presiding officer becomes effective as an adjudication of the Authority, in the absence of Authority review as provided in §1005.127 (relating to final orders and effect of failure to file exceptions) the Clerk will issue and serve upon the parties of record an appropriate notice of the date the adjudication became effective as an Authority order.

(c) The date of entry of an order which is subject to review by Commonwealth Court is governed by Pa.R.A.P. No. 108. The date of issuance of any other order shall be deemed to be the date of entry for the purposes of computing the time for appeal under an applicable statute relating to judicial review of Authority action.

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.13 (relating to issuance of agency orders).

**§1001.14. Effective dates of Authority orders.**

(a) An order of the Authority promulgating regulations shall be effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* unless otherwise specially provided in the order.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (a), an order of the Authority shall be effective as of the date of entry unless otherwise specially provided in the order.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.14 (relating to effective dates of agency orders).

**§1001.15. Extensions of time and continuances.**

(a) Extensions of time shall be governed by the following:

(1) Except as otherwise provided by statute, whenever under this part or by order of the Authority, or notice given thereunder, an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified time, the time fixed or the period of time prescribed may, by the Authority, the presiding officer or other authorized person, for good cause be extended upon motion made before expiration of the period originally prescribed or as previously extended. Upon motion made after the expiration of the specified period, the act may be permitted to be done where reasonable grounds are shown for the failure to act.

(2) Requests for the extension of time in which to file briefs shall be filed at least five days before the time fixed for filing the briefs unless the presiding officer, for good cause shown, allows a shorter time.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by statute, requests for continuance of hearings or for extension of time in which to perform an act required or allowed to be done at or within a specified time by this part by order of the Authority or the presiding officer, shall be by motion in writing, timely filed with the Authority, stating the facts on which the application rests, except that during the course of a proceeding, the requests may be made by oral motion in the hearing before the Authority or the presiding officer. Only for good cause shown will requests for continuance be considered. The requests for a continuance should be filed at least 5 days prior to the hearing date.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.15 (relating to extensions of time).

**§1001.16. Issuance of decisions by presiding officers.**

(a) The date of the issuance of a decision by a presiding officer shall be the date on which the decision is mailed to the parties. The decision will be deposited in the United States mail on the same date that the decision is docketed by the Clerk. The date of the issuance will be clearly indicated in a cover letter with the mailing to the parties.

**SUBCHAPTER C.  
REPRESENTATION  
BEFORE THE AUTHORITY**

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**§1001.21. Appearance.**

(a) Individuals may represent themselves.

(b) Subject to subsections (a) and (c), in a proceeding before the Authority or a presiding officer, persons may be represented in the following manner:

(1) A partner may represent the partnership.

(2) A bona fide officer of a corporation, trust or association may represent the corporation, trust or association.

(3) An officer or employee of an agency, political subdivision or government entity may represent the agency, political subdivision or government entity.

(c) In order for an individual to represent an entity pursuant to subsection (b), the following information must be presented along with any pleading or other document filed with the Clerk or to the presiding officer at the time of proceeding, whichever occurs first:

(1) For individuals appearing pursuant to subsection (b)(1) and (2):

(i) Confirmation of the individual's position with the represented entity.

(ii) A copy of a board resolution from the entity or a notarized letter from the entity's secretary confirming the individual's authorization to represent the entity.

(2) For individuals appearing pursuant to subsection (b)(3):

(i) A copy of the photographic identification card of the officer or employee issued by the agency, political subdivision or government entity.

(ii) An original letter executed by an authorized representative of the agency, political subdivision or government entity, other than the individual appearing in the proceeding before the Authority.

(3) The Authority or a presiding officer may review information submitted as provided in this subsection for sufficiency and may require supplementation or otherwise refuse acceptance of the information and the deny the requested representational status of the individual.

(e) Subsection (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.21 (relating to appearance in person).

**§1001.22. Appearance by attorney.**

(a) Subject to §§1001.21(a) and (b) (relating to appearance) an attorney at law admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania shall represent persons in Authority proceedings.

(b) An attorney not licensed in this Commonwealth may appear before the Authority in accordance with the Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rules.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.22 (relating to appearance by attorney).

**§1001.23. Other representation prohibited at hearings.**

(a) Persons may not be represented at a hearing before the Authority or a presiding officer except as stated in §1001.21 or §1001.22 (relating to appearance by attorney).

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.23 (relating to other representation prohibited at hearings).



**§1001.24. Notice of appearance or withdrawal.**

(a) *Individuals.* An individual appearing without legal representation before the Authority or a presiding officer shall file with the Clerk an address for service of a notice or other written communication. A change in address which occurs during the course of the proceeding shall be reported to the Clerk promptly.

(b) *Attorneys.*

(1) *Appearance by initial pleading.* An attorney who signs an initial pleading in a representative capacity shall be considered to have entered an appearance in that proceeding.

(2) *Appearance in all other instances.* An attorney shall file with the Clerk a written notice of appearance.

(i) *Content of notice.* Initial pleadings, entries of appearance and notices of withdrawal must include:

(A) The attorney's name, mailing address and electronic mailing address.

(B) Pennsylvania attorney identification number or, if not licensed in this Commonwealth, identification of the jurisdictions in which the attorney is licensed to practice law.

(C) Telephone number and telefacsimile number.

(D) The name and address of the person represented.

(ii) *Filing.*

(A) *Appearance.* The notice of appearance shall be served on the parties to the proceeding, and a certificate of service shall be filed with the Clerk.

(B) *Change in address.* A change in address which occurs during the course of the proceeding shall be reported to the Clerk and the parties promptly.

(3) *Withdrawal.* An attorney may withdraw an appearance by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the Clerk. The notice shall be served on the parties and the presiding officer, if one has been designated.

(c) *Supersession.* Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.24 (relating to notice of appearance).

**§1001.25. Form of notice of appearance.**

(a) A form of notice of appearance to be used by attorneys appearing before the Authority is available at the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld), and must be substantially similar to the following:

**BEFORE THE  
PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY**

In the Matter of:

[File, Docket or other identifying No.:]

**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

Please enter my appearance in the above-designated matter on behalf of:

I am authorized to accept service on behalf of said party in this matter

**[CHECK ONE]**

☐ On the basis of this notice, I request a copy of each document hereafter issued by the Authority in this matter.

☐ I am already receiving or have access to a copy of each document issued by the Authority in this matter (alone, or in a consolidated proceeding) and do not on the basis of this notice require an additional copy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
P. O. address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, state and zip code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number  
(including area code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telefacsimile Number  
(including area code)

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Pennsylvania Attorney I.D. No./  
Other Jurisdiction(s) Admitted

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Email Address

(b) *Supersession*. Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §31.25 (relating to form of notice of appearance).

**§1001.26. Contemptuous conduct.**

(a) Contemptuous conduct at a hearing before the Authority or a presiding officer shall be grounds for exclusion from the hearing and for summary suspension without a hearing for the duration of the hearing.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §31.27 (relating to contemptuous conduct).

**§1001.27. Suspension and disbarment.**

(a) The Authority may deny, temporarily or permanently, the privilege of appearing or practicing before it in any way to a person who is found by the Authority, after notice and opportunity for hearing in the matter, to have done one or more of the following:

- (1) Lacked the requisite qualifications to represent others.
- (2) Lacked the requisite technical education, training or experience for a particular project or type of project submitted for Authority approval.
- (3) Engaged in unethical, contemptuous or improper conduct before the Authority.
- (4) Repeatedly failed to follow Authority or presiding officer directives.

(b) For the purpose of subsection (a), practicing before the Authority shall include:

- (1) Transacting business with the Authority.
- (2) The preparation of a statement, opinion or other paper by an attorney, accountant, broker, engineer or other expert, filed with the Authority in a pleading, application, submittal or other document with the consent of the attorney, accountant, broker, engineer or other expert.
- (3) Appearances at a hearing before the Authority or a presiding officer.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) are identical to 1 Pa. Code §31.28 (relating to suspension and disbarment).

**§1001.28. Power of attorney.**

(a) A certificate holder may be represented by one individual attorney-in-fact at certain Authority appointments.

(b) One individual attorney-in-fact may execute certain documents approved by the Authority on behalf of a certificate holder.

(c) An attorney-in-fact must be a competent adult individual fluent in the English language. An individual will be deemed ineligible to serve as an attorney-in-fact if he is unable to clearly respond to Authority investigations and comply with the reporting requirements of this part.

(d) The Authority will maintain a list of appointments at which a certificate holder may be represented by an attorney-in-fact and the list may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(e) The power of attorney identifying an attorney-in-fact must be drafted in compliance with the laws of the Commonwealth and display the original notarized signature of a person authorized to so act on behalf of the certificate holder.

(f) A power of attorney may not identify an attorney-in-fact who is ineligible to own Authority issued rights as provided in §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest). The certificate holder shall confirm that the attorney-in-fact is eligible to serve pursuant to this part.

(g) The Authority may require as a condition of accepting a power of attorney that the designated attorney-in-fact file a certified criminal history report for the Commonwealth and any state or country in which that individual has lived during the last 5 years.

(h) The Authority will not accept a power of attorney executed one year or more from the date of the requested action by the attorney-in-fact.

## SUBCHAPTER D. DOCUMENTARY FILINGS

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### **§1001.31. Requirements for documentary filings.**

(a) *Form.* Pleadings must be divided into consecutively numbered paragraphs. Each paragraph shall contain as far as practicable only one material allegation.

(b) *Specificity.* The material facts on which a pleading is based shall be stated in a concise and summary form. Averments of time, place and items of special damage shall be specifically stated.

(c) *Certain averments.* Averments of fraud or mistake shall be averred with particularity. Malice, intent, knowledge, and other conditions of mind may be averred generally.

(d) *Relief requested.* Any pleading demanding relief shall specify the relief sought. Relief in the alternative or of several different types may be demanded.

(d) *Attachments.* Copies of documents relied upon in the pleadings must be identified and attached. Copies of reported court decisions, writings or orders already of record with the Authority need not be attached to the pleading if reference by docket number is made to the proceeding in which they were filed in accordance with §1001.33 (referring to incorporation by reference).

(e) *Identifying information.* Documents filed with the Authority in a proceeding must clearly contain the following information:

- (1) The docket number or similar identifying symbols, if any.
- (2) The title or caption of the proceeding before the Authority.
- (3) Within the title of the document, the name of the person on whose behalf the filing is made. If more than one person is involved, only a single name is necessary.

(f) *Caption.* Every pleading shall contain a caption setting forth the "Philadelphia Parking Authority", the number of the action and the name of the pleading. The caption of an initial pleading shall set forth the names of all the parties, but in subsequent pleadings it is sufficient to state the name of the first party on each side in the complaint with an appropriate indication of other parties. The caption shall be substantially similar to the following:

**BEFORE THE  
PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY**

Complainant	:	
Complainant,	:	
	:	
v.	:	Docket No.
Respondent	:	
Respondent.	:	

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(g) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.1 (relating to title).

**§1001.32. Filing specifications.**

(a) A filing made with the Authority must be:

(1) *Typewritten.* Pleadings, submittals or other documents filed in proceedings, if not printed, must be typewritten on paper cut or folded to letter size, 8 to 8 1/2 inches wide by 10 1/2 to 11 inches long, with left-hand margin at least 1 inch wide and other margins at least 1 inch. The impression must be on only one side of the paper, unless there are more than four pages, and shall be double spaced, except that quotations in excess of a few lines shall be single spaced and indented. Reproduced copies shall be accepted as typewritten, if copies are clearly legible.

(2) *Printed.* Printed documents must be at least 12-point type on unglazed paper, cut or folded so as not to exceed 8 1/2 inches wide by 11 inches long, with inside margin at least 1 inch wide, and with double-leaded text and single-leaded, indented quotations.

(3) *Bound.* Pleadings, submittals and other documents, other than correspondence, must be stapled, fastened or otherwise bound at the left side only.

(c) *Supersession*. Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §33.2 (relating to form).

**§1001.33. Incorporation by reference.**

(a) Documents on file with the Authority may be incorporated by reference into a subsequent pleading, submittal or other document. A document may be so incorporated only by reference to the specific document and to the prior filing and docket number at which it was filed.

(b) Documents on file with the Authority for more than 5 years may not be incorporated by reference in a current document unless the person filing the current document first ascertains that the earlier document continues to be readily available in the active records of the Authority.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.3 (relating to incorporation by reference).

**§1001.34. Single pleading or submittal covering more than one matter.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided under this chapter and Chapter 5 (relating to formal proceedings), a single pleading may be accepted for filing with respect to a particular matter and one or more directly related matters and shall be deemed to be a single filing for purposes of the computation of fees as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule).

(b) If, upon review, the Authority determines that the matters are not closely related or otherwise properly joined, the Authority will direct that the single pleading be refiled as two or more separate pleadings each subject to a separate filing fee.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.4 (relating to single pleading or submittal covering more than one matter).

**§1001.35. Execution.**

(a) *Signature*.

(1) *Filings*. A pleading, submittal or other document must be signed in permanent ink by the party in interest, or by the party's attorney, as required by subsection (b), and show the office and mailing address of the party or attorney. An original hard copy must be signed, and other copies filed must conform thereto unless otherwise ordered by the Authority.

(b) *Signatory.*

(1) A pleading, submittal or other document filed with the Authority must be signed by one of the following:

(i) The person filing the documents, and severally if there is more than one person so filing.

(ii) An officer if it is a corporation, trust, association or other organized group.

(iii) An officer or employee thereof if it is another agency, a political subdivision, or other governmental authority, agency or instrumentality.

(iv) An attorney having authority with respect thereto.

(2) A document filed by a corporation, trust, association or other organized group, may be required to be supplemented by appropriate evidence of the authority of the officer or attorney signing the documents.

(c) *Effect.*

(1) The signature of the individual signing a document filed with the Authority constitutes a certificate by the individual that:

(i) The individual has read the document being signed and filed, and knows the contents thereof.

(ii) The document has been signed and executed in the capacity specified upon the document with full power and authority to do so, if executed in a representative capacity.

(iii) The document is well grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law, to the best of the individual's knowledge, information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry.

(iv) The document is not interposed for an improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation.

(2) If a document is signed in violation of this subsection, the presiding officer or the Authority, upon motion or upon its own initiative, may impose upon the individual who signed it, a represented party, or both, an appropriate sanction, which may include striking the document, dismissal of the proceeding or the imposition of penalties consistent with this part and the act.



(d) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.11 (relating to execution).

#### **§1001.36. Verification and affidavit.**

(a) *Verification required.* Applications, petitions, formal complaints, motions and answers thereto containing an averment or denial of fact not appearing of record in the action must be personally verified by a party thereto or by an authorized officer or other authorized employee of the party if a corporation, partnership, association or other business entity. Pursuant to subsection (b) and (c), verification may be made by using a verification or by using an affidavit.

(b) *Form verification.* When a verification is used, notarization is not necessary. The filing date for the verification will be determined in accordance with §1001.11(a) (relating to date of filing). The docket number or other applicable assigned Authority identification number for the filing must be clearly indicated on the original verification. The verification form should comply substantially with the following:

### **VERIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief) and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) *Affidavit form.* When an affidavit is used, it must be notarized. The original affidavit shall be submitted to the Authority and may be an attachment to a filing. The filing date for the affidavit will be determined in accordance with §1001.11(a). The docket number or other applicable assigned Authority identification number for the filing must be clearly indicated on the original affidavit. The affidavit form should comply substantially with the following:

### **AFFIDAVIT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (Affiant) being duly sworn (affirmed) according to law, depose and say that (I am authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of

\_\_\_\_\_ corporation, being the  
holder of the office of \_\_\_\_\_ with that corporation, and  
that, I am an employee or agent of \_\_\_\_\_ and have  
been authorized to make this affidavit on its behalf and that) the facts above set  
forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge,  
information and belief) and (I or corporation) expect to be able to prove the same  
at any hearing hereof.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed before me this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

2 \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of official administering oath)

My Authority Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

(d) *Certification process.* An applicant for a certificate shall include in the  
verification or affidavit the following statement:

Applicant is not now engaged in intrastate transportation of property or  
passengers for compensation in this Commonwealth except as authorized by the  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission certificate or permit or Philadelphia  
Parking Authority certificate, and will not engage in the transportation for which  
approval is herein sought, unless and until the transportation is authorized by the  
Authority.

(e) *Criminal penalty.* An individual who executes a pleading, application,  
submittal or other document knowing that it contains a false statement and who  
causes it to be filed in the Authority shall be subject to prosecution for the  
commission of a misdemeanor of the second degree in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.  
§4904(a).

(f) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.12 (relating to  
verification).

**§1001.37. Number of copies to be filed.**

(a) Except as may be otherwise provided by this part or ordered or requested by  
the Authority, at the time pleadings, submittals or documents other than  
correspondence are filed with the Clerk, or other Authority office, there shall be

furnished to the Authority an original and two conformed copies of the papers, including exhibits, if any.

(b) Subsections (a) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.15 (relating to number of copies).

**§1001.38. Rejection of filings.**

The Authority may reject a filing if it does not comply with any applicable statute, regulation or order of the Authority.

## **SUBCHAPTER E. FEES**

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| 1001.41 | Filing fees.                      |
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| 1001.43 | Authority fee schedule.           |

**§1001.41. Filing fees.**

(a) A pleading, submittal or other document for which a filing fee is required to be charged will be received, but will not be deemed to be filed, until the filing fee required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority has been paid.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.21 (relating to filing fees).

**§1001.42. Mode of payment to the Authority.**

(a) The Authority will accept payment for fees, penalties, assessments or other costs required by act, this part or an order of the Authority by money order or cashiers' check made payable to the "Philadelphia Parking Authority" at TLD Headquarters, in person or by mail.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.22 (relating to mode of payment of fees).

**§1001.43. Authority fee schedule.**

(a) The Authority will issue a new fee schedule for each fiscal year, subject to approval of the Pennsylvania Legislature, pursuant to section 5707(b) of the act (relating to budget and fees).

(b) The Authority will provide notice of the new fee schedule by email to each certificate holder as required by section 5707(b) of the act. The current fee schedule may be obtained from the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(c) *Supersession.* Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§33.21(b) and 33.23 (relating to filing fees; and copy fees).

## SUBCHAPTER F. SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS

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1001.51	Service by the Authority.
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### **§1001.51. Service by the Authority.**

(a) *Applicability.* This section applies to service of an order, notice, pleading or other document originating with the Authority and other documents designated by the Authority or a presiding officer, except when the Authority specifically requires a different form of service.

(b) *Forms of service.*

(1) *First class mail.* Service may be made by mailing a copy thereof to the person to be served, addressed to the person designated in the initial pleading, submittal or notice of appearance at the person's residence, principal office or place of business.

(2) *Personal.* Service may be made personally by Authority staff or anyone authorized by the Authority or a presiding officer.

(3) *Email.* Service may be made by email upon the following persons:

(A) A certificate holder.

(B) A broker.

(C) A regulated person that has registered an email address with the Authority pursuant to subsection (c).

(D) A person's attorney pursuant to §1001.53(a) (relating to service on attorneys).

(E) A party to any Authority proceeding, including interveners and protestants for whom an email address is on file with the Clerk.

(F) A party to any Authority proceeding in which a presiding officer orders notification of parties by telephone, telefacsimile or other electronic means when time periods are short and delivery by mail or other methods may not prove adequate. The presiding officer will confirm the alternative form of service in writing and a filing will be made with the Clerk regarding confirmation.

(c) *Voluntary email registration.* Any person may file an email address with the Clerk for purposes of receiving service pursuant to this part. By filing an email address with the Clerk the filing person agrees to receipt of service originating with the Authority pursuant to this section.

(d) *Change of address.* It is the duty of a party to notify the Authority within 48 hours of changes to the party's current address, including any email address on file with the Clerk.

(e) *Alternative service.* If the Authority is unable to serve a party by email or by mail at the party's last known address, the Authority may make service by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the same area as the party's last known address. In the alternative, service may also be accomplished by publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* or by service on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, if appropriate.

(f) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.31 (relating to service by the agency).

#### **§1001.52. Service by a party.**

(a) Pleadings, submittals, briefs and other documents, filed by parties other than the Authority in proceedings pending before the Authority shall be served upon parties in the proceeding and upon the presiding officer, if one has been assigned, unless an alternative form of service is specifically provided by the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(b) Service may be made by one of the following methods:

(1) *First class mail.* Service may be made by mailing the requisite number of copies to each party as provided in §1001.57 (relating to number of copies to be served), properly addressed with postage prepaid.

(2) *Personal.* Service may be made personally by delivering the requisite number of copies to each party as provided in §1001.57. Personal service may only be made by an individual 18 years of age or older who is neither a party to the proceeding nor an employee or relative of a party.

(3) *Telefacsimile or email.* Service may be made by telefacsimile or email to those parties who have agreed to accept service in that manner. Documents served electronically need not be followed by service of a hard copy if the parties have so agreed. This section is not intended to limit service by email available pursuant to any other section in this part.

(c) In a proceeding in which only some of the parties participate, the parties, with the authorization of the presiding officer, may limit the service of documents to parties and persons or individuals which state on the record or request in writing that they wish to be served.

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.32 (relating to service by a participant).

**§1001.53. Service on attorneys.**

(a) When an attorney enters an appearance under §1001.24 (relating to notices of appearance or withdrawal), service must be directed to the attorney in the same manner as prescribed for the attorney's client. An attorney's entry of appearance must include an email address at which all communications and notices from the Authority or other parties to the attorney's client may be served.

(b) When a party is represented by an attorney, service upon the attorney shall be deemed service upon the party. Separate service on the party may be omitted.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §31.26 and 33.33 (relating to service on attorneys; and effect of service upon an attorney).

**§1001.54. Date of service.**

(a) The date of service shall be the day when the document served meets one of the following conditions:

(1) The document is deposited in the United States mail.

(2) The document is deposited with an overnight express package delivery service.

(3) The document is delivered in person.

(4) The document is transmitted by telefacsimile or email as provided in §§1001.51(b) or 1001.52(b) (relating to service by the Authority; and service by a party) prior to 4:30 p.m. local prevailing time in the Eastern Time Zone (United States of America).

(b) Unless otherwise prescribed by the Authority or presiding officer, whenever a party is required or permitted to do an act within a prescribed period after service of a document upon the party and the document is served by first-class mail by the United States Postal Service, 3 days shall be added to the prescribed period.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.34 (relating to date of service).

**§1001.55. Proof of service.**

(a) A certificate of service in the form prescribed by §1001.56 (relating to form of certificate of service) must accompany and be attached to the original and all copies of pleadings, submittals or other documents filed with the Authority when service is required to be made by the parties.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.35 (relating to proof of service).

**§1001.56. Form of certificate of service.**

(a) The form of certificate of service must be as follows:

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the parties, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of §1001.52 (relating to service by a party).

(List names and addresses of parties served and manner in which each was served.)

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of 2\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)  
Counsel for \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.36 (relating to form of certificate of service).

**§1001.57. Number of copies to be served.**

(a) One copy of a document shall be served on the presiding officer if one has been designated, unless a larger number of copies are specifically required either (1) by an order issued by the Authority or presiding officer or (2) another section of this part.

(b) One copy of each document shall be served on each party in a proceeding, unless a larger number of copies are specifically required either (1) by an order issued by the Authority or presiding officer or (2) by another section of this part.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.37 (relating to number of copies).

## **SUBCHAPTER G. PENALTY**

Sec.

1001.61 Penalties.

1001.62 Continuing offenses.

**§1001.61. Penalties.**

(a) *Monetary penalty range.* If a penalty has not been otherwise assigned to a violation of any provision of the act, this part or an order of the Authority, the penalty applicable to the violation shall be not less than \$50 and not greater than \$1,000.

(b) *Additional penalties.* The penalty requested in a formal complaint initiated as provided in Chapter 5 (relating to formal proceedings), may include any or all of the following:

- (1) A monetary penalty payable to the Authority.
- (2) A suspension of rights.
- (3) A modification of rights.
- (4) A cancellation of rights.
- (5) Such other penalties deemed necessary to protect the public interest.



**§1001.62. Continuing offenses.**

Each and every day's continuance in the violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority, shall be a separate and distinct offense. If any interlocutory order of supersedeas or a preliminary injunction is granted, no penalties shall be incurred or collected for or on account of any act, matter or thing done in violation of such final direction, requirement, determination, order or decree so superseded or enjoined for the period of time such order of supersedeas or injunction is in force.

**SUBCHAPTER H.  
MATTERS BEFORE OTHER  
TRIBUNALS**

Sec.

1001.65        Notice and filing of copies of pleadings before other tribunals.

**§1001.65. Notice and filing of copies of pleadings before other tribunals.**

(a) When matters over which the Authority may have jurisdiction under the act are raised in proceedings filed with a court or other regulatory body by a person subject to the act, either an appropriate application or petition, or notice of the proceedings and copies of the material pleadings filed therein, shall be filed simultaneously with the Director so that it may have sufficient notice and time for proper consideration of the matters within its jurisdiction.

(b) Upon filing of a petition for bankruptcy under the United States Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C.) by a certificate holder or broker a copy of the petition shall be simultaneously filed with the Director.

(c) An entity subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the Authority, or its trustee in bankruptcy, shall file a copy of the reorganization plan for itself or for its bankrupt parent, subsidiary or affiliate with the Director for Authority review within 10 days after the debtor has filed the plan, its supplements and amendments, or has received notice that the plan has been filed with the court.

(d) If the reorganization plan submitted under subsection (c) contemplates the abandonment of taxicab, limousine or dispatcher service, the submittal must include an SA-1 "Sale Application as provided in §§1027.6 or 1059.6 (relating to sale of transferable rights), as appropriate. If reorganization plan of a certificate holder or broker includes the abandonment of the certificate or Authority issued right, the submittal must include specific notice to the Authority of the date of abandonment.

## SUBCHAPTER I. AMENDMENTS OR WITHDRAWALS OF SUBMITTALS

Sec.

1001.81          Amendments.

1001.82          Withdrawal or termination of uncontested matter or proceeding.

### **§1001.81. Amendments.**

(a) Except as specifically limited by another section of this part, an amendment to a submittal or pleading may be tendered for filing and will be deemed filed in accordance with §1001.11 (relating to date of filing). The Authority may waive time restrictions as to filing dates in the interest of justice.

(b) Subsections (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §33.41 (relating to amendments).

### **§1001.82. Withdrawal or termination of uncontested matter or proceeding.**

(a) *Notice of withdrawal or termination.* A party that desires to terminate an uncontested matter or proceeding before final decision by the Authority or otherwise desires to withdraw a submittal or pleading, shall file written notice of withdrawal or termination as follows:

(1) In matters initiated through pleading, notice shall be filed with the Clerk and served upon all parties as provided by §1001.52 (relating to service by a party).

(2) In matters related to applications or other filings, notice shall be filed with the reviewing TLD department designated in the application or other submittal.

(b) *Review of notice.* Unless otherwise provided by statute, contested through petition of another party or when the best interests of the public would be harmed, the matter will be considered withdrawn and terminated with prejudice 15 days after filing of the notice required by §1001.82 (relating to withdrawal or termination). As a matter of discretion by the Authority or presiding officer, a withdrawal or termination may be denied.

(c) *Contested proceedings.* Withdrawal of a pleading in a contested proceeding is governed by §1005.44 (relating to withdrawal of pleadings in a contested proceeding).

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §33.42 (relating to withdrawal or termination).

## **SUBCHAPTER J. DOCKET**

Sec.

1001.86.      Docket.

### **§1001.86. Docket.**

(a) The Clerk will maintain a docket of all proceedings, and each proceeding as initiated will be assigned an appropriate designation. The docket will be available for inspection and copying by the public during the Authority's office hours.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §33.51 (relating to docket).

## **SUBCHAPTER K. WAIVER OF RULES**

Sec.

1001.91      Applications for waiver of formal requirements.

### **§1001.91. Applications for waiver of formal requirements.**

(a) Pleadings, submittals or other documents which are subject to rejection under any provision of this chapter or Chapter 3 or 5 (relating to special provisions; and formal proceedings) may be accompanied by a request, pursuant to §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations) for waiver of any such provisions with which the document tendered is in conflict or does not conform. The request shall show the nature of the waiver or exception desired and set forth the reasons in support thereof. Unacceptable filings may be returned by the Clerk with an indication of the deficiencies thereof and the reasons for nonacceptance and return.

(b) Unless the Authority shall expressly so order, the Clerk may not waive a failure to comply with the act, this part or an order of the Authority or another applicable requirement, and the failure may be cause for striking all or any part of the filings.

(c) Subsection (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§33.61 (relating to applications for waiver of formal requirements).

## SUBCHAPTER L. UNOFFICIAL STATEMENTS, OPINIONS AND NOTICE

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| 1001.96 | Unofficial statements and opinions by Authority personnel. |
| 1001.97 | Notice of rulemaking proceedings.                          |

### **§1001.96. Unofficial statements and opinions by Authority personnel.**

Statements contained in formal opinions of the Authority or in decisions of a presiding officer which are not necessary in resolving the case, and informal opinions, whether oral or written, expressed by Authority members, presiding officers, legal counsel, employees or representatives of the Authority and reports drafted by Authority departments are only considered as aids to the public, do not have the force and effect of law or legal determinations, and are not binding upon the Commonwealth or the Authority.

### **§1001.97. Notice of rulemaking proceedings.**

- (a) Before the adoption of a regulation, the Authority will publish a general notice as provided in 1 Pa. Code Chapter 7 (relating to procedure for adoption or change of regulations).
- (b) The order or notice will recite the statutory or other authority under which the regulation is proposed to be adopted, and include either the terms of the proposed regulation, or a description of the subjects and issues involved to inform interested persons of the nature of the proceeding, to permit interested persons to submit comments relative thereto within the time period required by the act.
- (c) The Authority may, upon petition by a person having an interest in the proposed regulations, hold public hearings on the proposed regulations. The petition for hearing shall be in the form set forth in §1005.16 (relating to petitions generally), shall be filed concurrently with the comments and state the reasons for having a hearing and the person's interest in the proposed regulations.
- (d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code § 35.104 (relating to notice of rulemaking proceedings).

## CHAPTER 3. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

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### SUBCHAPTER A. TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS

#### EMERGENCY RELIEF

##### **§1003.1. Definitions.**

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Emergency*—A situation which presents a clear and present danger to life or property or which is uncontested and is not subject to a pending proceeding and requires action prior to the next scheduled public meeting.

*Emergency order*—An *ex parte* order issued by the Authority's Chairman, the Executive Director, the Director, or a standing presiding officer in the Adjudication Department in response to an emergency.

*Interim emergency order*—An interlocutory order issued by a presiding officer which is immediately effective and grants or denies injunctive relief during the pendency of a proceeding.

#### EX PARTE EMERGENCY ORDERS

Sec.

1003.1      Petitions for issuance of emergency orders.

- 1003.2 Disposition of ex parte emergency orders.
- 1003.3 Hearings following issuance of emergency orders.
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**§1003.2. Petitions for issuance of emergency orders.**

(a) To the extent practicable, a petition for emergency order must be in the form of a petition as set forth in §1005.16 (relating to petitions generally) and shall be served on the persons directly affected by the application.

(b) A petition for emergency order must be supported by a verified statement of facts which establishes the existence of an emergency, including facts to support the following:

- (1) The petitioner's right to relief is clear.
- (2) The need for relief is immediate.
- (3) The injury would be irreparable if relief is not granted.
- (4) The relief requested is not injurious to the public interest.

**§1003.3. Disposition of ex parte emergency orders.**

(a) *Authorization.* The Authority's Chairman, the Executive Director, the Director or a standing presiding officer in the Adjudication Department have the authority to issue an emergency order.

(b) *Form.* An emergency order will be issued in writing and filed with the Clerk with copies to the members of the Authority.

(c) *Ratification.* An emergency order or the denial of a petition for emergency order issued by Authority's Chairman, the Executive Director, the Director, or a standing presiding officer in the Adjudication Department will be ratified, modified or rescinded by the Authority at the next scheduled public meeting after issuance of the order, provided that a case or controversy exists on the date of the meeting.

(d) *Service.* An emergency order or the denial of a petition for emergency order will be served by the Clerk upon the persons directly affected by the decision as provided in §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority) with copies to the members of the Authority.

#### **§1003.4. Hearings following issuance of emergency orders.**

- (a) A person against whom an emergency order is issued may file a petition for an expedited hearing to determine whether the emergency order will remain in effect. The petition must conform to the form and service requirements in §§1005.16 (relating to petitions generally).
- (b) The petition for expedited hearing shall be filed with the Clerk and a copy served upon the Adjudication Department's supervising presiding office.
- (c) The hearing will be held before a presiding officer within 10 days of receipt of the petition by the Clerk.
- (d) If the emergency order is issued by the Authority Chairman, the Executive Director, the Director, a presiding officer will have the authority to stay the effect of the order until the next scheduled public meeting of the Authority.
- (e) The decision of the presiding officer will constitute a recommended decision and will be reviewed by the Authority as provided in §§1005.125—129 (relating exception from recommended decision).

### **INTERIM EMERGENCY RELIEF**

Sec.

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| 1003.4 | Petitions for interim emergency orders.            |
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| 1003.6 | Issuance of interim emergency orders.              |
| 1003.7 | Form of interim emergency orders.                  |
| 1003.8 | Authority review of interim emergency orders.      |

#### **§1003.5. Petitions for interim emergency orders.**

- (a) A party may submit a petition for an interim emergency order during the course of a proceeding. The petition shall be filed with the Clerk and served contemporaneously on the Adjudication Department's supervising presiding officer and on the parties.
- (b) To the extent practicable, a petition for an interim emergency order must be in the form of a petition as set forth in §1005.16 (relating to petitions generally). A petition for an interim emergency order must be supported by a verified statement of facts which establishes the existence of the need for interim emergency relief, including facts to support the following:

- (1) The petitioner's right to relief is clear.
- (2) The need for relief is immediate.
- (3) The injury would be irreparable if relief is not granted.
- (4) The relief requested is not injurious to the public interest.

(c) Allegations set forth in the petition shall be deemed to have been denied by the opposing parties, and an answer is not required. A party may file an answer in the form set forth in §1005.30 (relating to answers to complaints, petitions, motions and other filings requiring a response) no later than 5 days after service of a copy of the petition.

(d) Other pleadings, memoranda or briefs related to a petition for interim emergency order are not permitted unless specifically requested by the presiding officer.

#### **§1003.6. Hearing on petitions for interim emergency orders.**

An interim emergency order may not be issued until the presiding officer holds a hearing on the merits of the petition. The hearing must be held within 20 days of the filing of the petition.

#### **§1003.7. Issuance of interim emergency orders.**

(a) A presiding officer will issue an order granting or denying interim emergency relief within 25 days of the filing of the petition.

(b) An order granting a petition for interim emergency relief will set forth the findings required by §1003.5(b) (relating to petitions for interim emergency orders).

(c) An interim emergency order or an order denying interim emergency relief will be served as provided in §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).

#### **§1003.8. Form of interim emergency orders.**

(a) An order following a hearing on a petition for interim emergency relief will include:

- (1) A brief description of the evidence presented.
- (2) A grant or denial of the petition.



(b) An order following a hearing on a petition for interim emergency relief may require a bond to be filed in a form satisfactory to the Director and will specify the amount of the bond.

**§1003.9. Authority review of interim emergency orders.**

(a) An order granting or denying interim emergency relief is immediately effective upon issuance by the presiding officer. No stay of the order will be permitted while the matter is being reviewed by the Authority.

(b) The decision of the presiding officer will constitute a recommended decision and will be reviewed by the Authority as provided in §§1005.125—129 (relating to exception from recommended decisions).

## **OUT OF SERVICE**

Sec.

§1003.11. Definitions.

§1003.12. Out of service designation.

**§1003.11. Definitions.**

*Out of service*—Immediate and temporary prohibition from the exercise of rights granted by the Authority pursuant to the act due to a public safety concern. An out of service designation will be narrowly tailored to create the most limited reduction of rights necessary to protect the public interest.

*Public safety concern*—Behavior of an individual or condition of a vehicle or equipment which violate the act, this part or an order of the Authority and which have an immediate and direct adverse impact upon the orderly operation of taxicabs and limousines in Philadelphia or which present a direct threat to public safety. For example, a limousine with a broken windshield, a taxicab with inaccurate colors and markings or a taxicab driver subject to a police arrest warrant may each result in an out of service designation.

**§1003.12. Out of service designation.**

(a) *Vehicles*. Upon observation of a condition of a taxicab or limousine that creates a public safety concern, the Enforcement Department may immediately place the taxicab or limousine out of service. Public notice of a vehicle's out of service status will be conspicuously affixed to the vehicle and may only be removed by the Authority after inspection as provided in §1017.36 (relating to re-inspection) or by order as provided in subsection (g).

(b) *Drivers.* A driver's certificate issued by the Authority pursuant to section 5706 of the act (relating to driver certification program) may be placed out of service by the Enforcement Department upon determination that the driver's operation of a taxicab or limousine will create a public safety concern or if the driver fails to appear at TLD Headquarters upon direction of the Enforcement Department.

(c) *Certificates and other rights.* Where a regulation or order of the Authority directs that a certificate or other right issued by the Authority be placed out of service, the condition necessary for that determination shall be deemed to involve a threat to public safety and the procedures of this section shall apply.

(d) *Notice to the Clerk.* The Enforcement Department will provide prompt notice of an out of service designation to the Clerk. The notice will include the date and time that the out of service designation was made, and the following information about the respondent, if available:

(1) Name.

(2) Address.

(3) Email address.

(4) Telephone number.

(5) The Authority number assigned to the out of service rights.

(e) *Hearing to be scheduled.* Upon notification of an out of service designation as provided in subsection (c), the Clerk will schedule a hearing before an Adjudication Department presiding officer within three days of the out of service designation.

(f) *Formal Complaint.*

(1) The Enforcement Department will file a formal complaint with the Clerk against the out of service respondent for the violations forming the basis of the out of service designation within two days of the designation. The complaint will be served pursuant to §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).

(2) The out of service designation will be terminated and the Clerk will notify the respondent and the presiding officer of the cancellation of the scheduled hearing in the event a complaint is not filed as provided in paragraph (1).

(3) The out of service respondent shall file an answer to the Enforcement Department's complaint as provided in §1005.30 (relating to answers to complaints, petitions, motions and other filings requiring a response). The answer

shall be filed with the Clerk and served as provided in §1001.52 (relating to service by a party).

*(g) Scope of Hearing.*

(1) The averments of the Enforcement Department's complaint filed as provided in subsection (e)(1) will be deemed denied by the respondent for purposes of the out of service hearing.

(2) At the out of service hearing, the Enforcement Department will bear the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence that the out of service designation remains appropriate under this section. The respondent may submit evidence, cross-examine Enforcement Department witnesses and otherwise participate in the hearing as provided by Chapter 5 (relating to formal proceedings).

(h) *Order.* An order following an out of service hearing may rescind, modify or continue the out of service designation. When an order of the presiding officer modifies or continues an out of service designation, the order will include a prompt date for a hearing on the Enforcement Department's formal complaint.

(i) *Appeal.* The decision of the presiding officer will constitute a recommended decision and will be reviewed by the Authority as provided in §§1005.125—129 (relating to exception from recommended decisions).

## **SUBCHAPTER B. INFORMAL PROCEEDINGS GENERALLY**

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### **§1003.21. Form and content of informal complaints.**

(a) Informal complaints averring a violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority may be by letter or other writing. No form of informal complaint is required, but in substance the report, letter or other writing must contain the essential elements of a formal complaint as specified in §1005.11 (relating to content of formal complaints).

(b) Informal complaints shall be filed with the Clerk.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.5 (relating to form and content of informal complaints).

**§1003.22. Authority action on informal complaints.**

(a) *Filing.* The Clerk will place a copy of an informal complaint related to a docketed matter in the official document folder. Each informal complaint shall be forwarded to the Enforcement Department for review, unless the Enforcement Department is the subject of the complaint, in which case the matter will be referred to the Director.

(b) *Authority staff review.* The purpose of staff review will be to determine if the subject matter is within the Authority's jurisdiction and, if warranted, institute an informal investigation. Informal investigations are typically undertaken to gather data or to substantiate allegations of potential violations of the act, this part or order of the Authority and are conducted without hearing.

(c) *Authority staff action.* Upon the completion of the informal investigation of an informal complaint, staff will notify the informal complainant of the results. When staff determines that no violation or potential violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority has occurred, the informal investigation will be terminated by letter.

(d) *Initiation of formal complaint.* In the event it is determined by staff, in conjunction with the Office of Trial Counsel, that a violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority has occurred and when formal action is deemed to be warranted, the Authority will file a formal complaint as provided in Chapter 5 (relating to formal proceedings).

(e) *Caveat.* The submission of an informal complaint does not entitle complainant to a formal hearing before the Authority.

(f) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.6 and 35.7 (relating to correspondence handling of informal complaints; and discontinuance of informal complaints without prejudice).

**§1003.23. Other initiation of formal complaints.**

The informal complainant may file and prosecute a formal complaint averring any violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority by a regulated person pursuant to §1005.10(a)(4) (relating to formal complaints generally) within 30 days of service of an informal complaint termination letter from the Enforcement Department.

## SUBCHAPTER C. APPLICATIONS AND PROTESTS

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### **§1003.31. Applications generally.**

(a) *Form.* Applications for authorization or permission filed with the Authority shall conform to the requirements of this part.

(b) *Review.* Applications in nonadversarial proceedings will be reviewed by the Director. Applications in adversarial proceedings will be referred by the Director to a presiding officer with instructions to conduct hearings to develop an evidentiary record.

(c) *Approval.* In nonadversarial proceedings, the Director will make recommendations related to the approval of an application to the Authority. In adversarial proceedings, the presiding officer will issue a recommended decision related to the approval of an application to the Authority.

(d) *Denial.* The Director or the presiding officer may deny an application. The denial will be in writing and clearly detail the reasons the application was denied. Applications denied by the Director may be appealed as provided in §1005.19 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff). Applications denied by the presiding officer shall be subject to exceptions as provided in §1005.125 (relating to exceptions to recommended decisions).

(e) *Protest.* Applications subject to protest shall be deemed to be adversarial proceedings and shall proceed as provided in §1003.34 (relating to protests).

(f) *Compliance: conditions for approval for certificate or registration.*

(1) When the Authority approves an application related to a certificate of public convenience for taxicab, limousine or dispatcher services or a broker registration, the applicant will be notified of the approval by email.

(2) The applicant shall file with the Authority within 30 days of receipt of the notice, a certificate of insurance or other security required by this part, relating to insurance and security for the protection of the public.

(3) The applicant shall file all required tariffs and lists of applicable rates and charges with the Director prior to exercising any rights granted by the Authority.

(4) The Authority will not issue a certificate or registration until the requirements of this subsection have been met.

(5) Failure of an applicant to comply with this section within the 30-day period referenced in paragraph (2) may result in the dismissal of the application and rescission of prior approval, unless the Authority has, upon written request demonstrating good cause, extended the time for compliance.

(6) This subsection is intended to supplement the application requirements related to each specific certificate or registration as provided in this part.

(g) Subsection (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.1 (relating to applications generally).

#### **§1003.32. Contents of applications.**

(a) Applications must conform to this section unless a form or other specific requirements are required in this part. Applications shall include such information and be in such form as the Authority requires, including the following:

(1) Be in writing.

(2) State clearly and concisely the authorization or permission sought.

(3) Cite by appropriate reference the statutory provisions, regulations or other authority under which the authorization or permission is sought.

(4) Set forth, in the order indicated, the following:

(i) The exact legal name of the applicant.

(ii) The jurisdiction under the statutes of which the applicant was created or organized and the location of the principal place of business of the applicant, when the applicant is a corporation, trust, association or other entity.

(iii) The name, title, mailing address, telephone number and electronic mail address, if available, of the person to whom correspondence or communication in regard to the application is to be addressed. The Authority will serve, when

required, notices, orders and other papers upon the person named, and service will be deemed to be service upon the applicant.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.2 (relating to contents of applications).

**§1003.33. Applications requiring notice.**

(a) Notice of applications to the Authority for rights under the act must be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and as may otherwise be required by the Authority

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§35.1 and 35.2 (applications generally; and content of applications).

**§1003.34. Protests.**

(a) A person may file a protest to an application for Authority rights in one of the following circumstances:

- (1) The person will be directly affected by the granting of the application.
- (2) The protestant can and will provide all or part of the proposed service may.

(b) A person objecting to the approval of an application shall file with the Clerk and serve upon the applicant and the applicant's attorney, if any, a written protest which shall contain the following:

- (1) The applicant's name and the docket number of the application.
- (2) The name, business address and telephone number of the protestant.
- (3) The name, business address and telephone number of the protestant's attorney or other representative.
- (4) A statement of the protestant's interest in the application, including a statement of any adverse impact which approval of the application can be expected to have on the protestant.
- (5) A list of all Authority and PUC certificate or registration numbers under which the protestant operates, accompanied by a copy of any portion of the protestant's authority upon which its protest is predicated.
- (6) A statement of any restrictions to the application which would protect the protestant's interest, including a concise statement of any amendment which would result in a withdrawal of the protest.

(7) Such other information required by the notice published as provided in §1003.33 (relating to applications requiring notice).

(c) At the time a protest petition is filed the protest fee shall be paid as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule).

(d) A protest shall be filed within the time specified in the notice appearing in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, which shall be no less than 15 days from the date of publication. Failure to file a protest in accordance with this subsection shall bar subsequent participation in the proceeding, except when permitted by the Authority for good cause shown.

(e) Upon the filing of a timely protest the application will be referred to a presiding officer of the Adjudication Department for a recommended decision as provided in §§1005.121—124 (relating to recommended decisions). TLD staff will participate in the protest proceeding.

(f) The protestant will be allowed to participate in the proceeding as a party intervenor.

(g) A protest shall be treated as a pleading and the applicant may, within 20 days after the closing date for the filing of protests, file an answer to the protest. The failure of the applicant to answer a protest shall be deemed a denial of the averments made therein.

(h) Upon withdrawal of all protests prior to the initiation of the recommended decision proceeding, an application will be decided by the Director as provided in §1003.31 (relating to applications generally).

(i) Subsections (a)—(h) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.23 and 35.24 (relating to protest generally; and effect of protest).

**§1003.35. Applications for temporary certificate of public convenience.**

**(a) *Application.***

(1) An applicant for a certificate of public convenience may seek temporary use of the rights requested on an expedited basis.

(2) A request for temporary rights shall be made through the relevant application form which may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).



(3) Temporary rights issued by the Authority will expire automatically and without further notice in the following manner:

(i) On the expiration date provided at the time the temporary rights are granted, which may not exceed six months from the date the temporary rights are granted.

(ii) On the date the application for non-temporary rights is granted or denied.

(4) The Authority will include the applicant's request for temporary rights in the notice of application published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

(b) *Standard for granting temporary certificates.* Temporary certificates are disfavored. Temporary rights will only be issued to an applicant for a certificate in the following circumstances:

(1) The applicant clearly identifies that an emergency situation that necessitates the granting of emergency rights exists in Philadelphia.

(2) The Authority determines that an emergency condition does exist in Philadelphia and that the immediate granting of the temporary rights will assist in the amelioration of the emergency.

(3) The applicant appears from the initial review of the application to be capable of safely and adequately providing service, including the filing of compliant rates, tariffs and proof of insurance.

(c) *Revocation of temporary certificate.* A grant of temporary certificate may be later revoked by the Authority if it determines that the applicant is unfit under this subpart.

(d) *Continuation of temporary certificate.* Temporary certificates issued pursuant to this section may not be renewed or extended. A person may apply for new temporary rights upon the expiration of any previously granted temporary rights.

(e) *Filing of protests.* A person who can and will provide all or part of the proposed service may file a protest to the temporary certificate. Protests shall be consistent with §1003.34 (relating to protests). The protest shall indicate whether it protests the application for temporary rights or for permanent rights, or both.

**§1003.36. Registration of intrastate operating authority issued by the Interstate Commerce Authority.**

Certificate holders that are granted intrastate operating authority to provide transportation service within the City of Philadelphia by the Interstate Commerce Authority under 49 U.S.C.A. §§10922 and 10923 (relating to certificates of motor and water common carriers and permits of motor carriers respectively) shall, not

later than 30 days after the date on which the carrier first begins providing the authorized service, file a copy of the authority granted by the Interstate Commerce Authority and, for common carriers, a copy of the tariff in force for the authority with the Director. Supplements to tariffs filed under this section shall be filed when changes occur in tariffs or supplements or both previously filed.

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### **§1003.41. Official forms and guidance documents.**

Forms for certain applications, petitions, complaints and other documents may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld) or from TLD Headquarters.

## **SUBCHAPTER E. TAXICAB AND LIMOUSINE DIVISION**

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### **§1003.51. Definitions.**

*Taxicab and Limousine Division or TLD*—The division of the Authority comprised of staff assigned to implement the purposes of the act, this part and the orders of the Authority.

*Trial Counsel*— An attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania who is assigned to the Office of Trial Counsel to prosecute complaints on behalf of the Authority as provided in §1003.55 (relating to Office of Trial Counsel).

**§1003.52. TLD staffing generally.**

(a) *The Director.* The Authority's Executive Director will designate a Director of the TLD to administer the operations of TLD staff and to perform such specific functions provided in the act, this part and the orders of the Authority.

(b) *Manager of Administration.* The Executive Director will designate a Manager of Administration to complete the tasks directed by this part. The Manager of Administration will report to the Director.

(c) *Administration.* The Authority's Executive Director will designate such additional staff and internal TLD departments not otherwise required by this subpart to assist the Director and Manager of Administration with the implementation of the act, this part and orders of the Authority.

**§1003.53. Adjudication Department.**

(a) *Designation.* The TLD will include an Adjudication Department to provide for the administration of hearings and appeals related to enforcement actions and as otherwise provided for in the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(b) *Standing presiding officers.* The Authority will appoint not less than one individual to the Adjudication Department as a standing presiding officer to facilitate the purposes of the act and this part related to hearings and appeals. The Authority may assign additional tasks to the Adjudication Department, including the obligation to produce a recommended decision pursuant to §1005.121—24 (related to recommended decisions).

(c) *Qualifications.* A presiding officer appointed to the Adjudication Department shall have been admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for a period of not less than seven years prior to the date of designation.

(d) *Additional staff.* Executive Director may designate such additional Adjudication Department staff necessary to provide for the orderly operation of the department, including court reporters.

(e) Subsection (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.185—35.187 (relating to designation of presiding officers; and disqualification of a presiding officers and; authority delegated to presiding officers)

#### **§1003.54. Enforcement Department.**

(a) The TLD will include an Enforcement Department to be comprised of such staff and inspectors necessary to conduct all functions necessary for the enforcement of the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following:

(1) To examine the condition and management of any entity providing taxicab service, limousine service or other products or services subject to the act.

(2) To provide technical support to Trial Counsel in all prosecutorial proceedings.

(3) To initiate certain formal complaints as provided in §1005.12 (relating to citation complaints by the Authority).

(b) The Enforcement Department will be supervised by a manager appointed by the Executive Director, who will report to the Director for administrative purposes only.

#### **§1003.55. Office of Trial Counsel.**

(a) *Designation.* The TLD will include an Office of Trial Counsel to be comprised of not less than one attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Trial Counsel will be appointed by the Executive Director and will provide legal counsel and representation to the following departments:

(1) The Enforcement Department.

(2) Such other departments of the Authority permitted by the act, this part or order of the Authority.

(b) *Duties generally.* The Office of Trial Counsel has the following duties and powers:

(1) To advise the Enforcement Department on all matters, including the granting of rights, certificates or registrations, the conduct of background investigations, audits and inspections and the investigation of potential violations of the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(2) Make recommendations and objections relating to the issuance of certificates, registrations or other rights.

(3) Initiate, in its sole discretion, proceedings for violations of the act, this part or an order of the Authority by filing a complaint or other pleading with the Authority seeking civil fines or penalties, the imposition of conditions on a certificate, registration, other right or the suspension or cancellation of a conditions on a certificate, registration or other right.

(4) Withdraw, amend or otherwise alter, in its sole discretion, a complaint or other pleading with the Authority in a manner consistent with this part.

(5) Act as the prosecutor in enforcement proceedings.

(6) Seek a settlement that may include fines, penalties or other actions or limitations on rights subject to approval by the presiding officer.

(7) Appear at administrative hearings and other proceedings before a presiding officer or the Authority.

(f) *Supervision.* The Office of Trial Counsel will be supervised by the then longest continually appointed Trial Counsel and will have no reporting obligations to the Director. The supervising Trial Counsel will report to the General Counsel on administrative matters and otherwise adhere to the requirements of this subchapter.

#### **§1003.56. Conduct.**

(a) Trial Counsel representing the Enforcement Department, or an employee involved in the hearing process, may not discuss the case *ex parte* with a presiding officer assigned to the case, the General Counsel or an attorney assigned to the case by the General Counsel.

(b) A presiding officer, the General Counsel or an attorney assigned to the case by the General Counsel or a member of the Authority may not discuss or exercise a direct supervisory responsibility over any employee with respect to an enforcement hearing with which the employee is involved.

(c) If it becomes necessary for the General Counsel or an attorney appointed by the General Counsel or a member of the Authority to become involved on behalf of the Authority in any formal proceeding, the General Counsel or an attorney appointed by the General Counsel or the member of the Authority involved shall be prohibited from participating in the adjudication of that matter.

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## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **§1005.1. Pleadings allowed.**

(a) Except as limited by specific provisions of this part, the pleadings in an action before the Authority include the following:

- (1) Application and protest.
- (2) Formal complaint, answer, new matter and reply to new matter.
- (3) Petition and answer.
- (4) Motions and answers.

## **FORMAL COMPLAINTS**

### **§1005.10. Formal complaints generally.**

(a) Formal complaints averring an act done or omitted to be done by a person subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority, in violation, or claimed violation of a statute which the Authority has jurisdiction to administer, or of this part or an order of the Authority, may be filed with the Authority by:

- (1) The Enforcement Department.
- (2) The Office of Trial Counsel.
- (2) The PUC.
- (3) Philadelphia law enforcement or licensing officials, as provided by section 5705(b) of the act (relating to contested complaints).
- (4) An informal complainant within 30 days of service of a termination letter from the Authority declining further action as provided in §§1003.22(c) and 1003.23 (relating to Authority action on informal complaints; and other initiation of formal complaints).

(b) If the complaint relates to a provision in a tariff, regulation, report or other similar document on file with the Authority as a matter of public record, the document should be identified.

(c) A copy of the complaint will be served upon the respondent as follows:

- (1) By the Authority in accordance with §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).



(2) By a complainant other than the Authority in accordance with §1001.52 (relating to service by party).

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.9 (relating to formal complaints generally).

**§1005.11. Content of formal complaints.**

(a) Except as permitted pursuant to §1005.12 (relating to citation complaints by the Authority), a formal complaint must set forth the following:

(1) The name, mailing address, telephone number, telefacsimile number and electronic mailing address, if applicable, of the complainant.

(2) If the complainant is represented by an attorney, the name, mailing address, telephone number, telefacsimile number and Pennsylvania Supreme Court identification number of the attorney and, if available, the electronic mailing address.

(3) The name, mailing address and certificate or license number of the respondent complained against, if known, and the nature and character of its business.

(4) The interest of the complainant in the subject matter—for example, customer, competitor, and the like.

(5) A clear and concise statement of the act or omission being complained of including the result of any informal complaint or informal investigation.

(6) A clear and concise statement of the relief sought, provided that penalties entered in a proceeding initiated as provided in §1005.10 (a)(4) (relating to formal complaints generally) will be consistent with §1001.61 (relating to penalties).

(7) Except for a document referenced within §1005.10(b), a document or the material part thereof, or a copy must be attached when a claim is based upon the document, the material part thereof, or a copy. If the document, the material part thereof, or a copy is not accessible, the complaint must set forth that the document, the material part thereof, or the copy is not accessible and the reason, and set forth the substance of the document or material part thereof.

(b) A verification executed in accordance with §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) shall be attached to the formal complaint.

(c) The complaint must reference the act, the regulation or order and shall quote the pertinent portions thereof.

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.10 and 35.14 (relating to form and content of formal complaints; and orders to show cause).

**§1005.12. Citation complaints by the Authority.**

(a) *Citations.* The Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel may issue a formal complaint through a form citation for any violation of the act, this part or order of the Authority. The form citation will be filed with the Clerk and include the following relevant information, unless the circumstances of the violation render the information impracticable to obtain at the time of filing:

(1) A unique citation number.

(2) The Authority number issued to the certificate, driver's certificate, registration or other right of the respondent.

(3) If the operation of a motor vehicle is at issue, the following information will be provided, if practicable:

(i) The driver's name.

(ii) The driver's home address.

(iii) The driver's gender.

(iv) The driver's birth date.

(v) All of the information required by paragraph (4).

(4) If the incident involves a motor vehicle, the following information shall be provided, if practicable:

(i) The vehicle's make.

(ii) The vehicle's model.

(iii) The vehicle identification number.

(iv) The vehicle's license plate number and state of issuance.

(v) The vehicle's color.

(vi) The vehicle's dispatcher.

(vi) The vehicle's registered owner.

- (vii) Designation of the vehicle's impoundment, if applicable.
- (viii) The vehicle's insurer and the policy number.
- (5) The location of the incident.
- (6) The time and date of the incident.
- (7) The meter number and type, if applicable.
- (8) The section of the act, this part or an order of the Authority alleged to have been violated.
- (9) The penalty sought for the violation.
- (10) The date the citation was issued.
- (11) The issuing officer's name, signature and badge number.

(b) *Answer to citations.* No pleading response to a citation is necessary. Preliminary motions may not be filed regarding complaints instituted under this section. Upon receipt of a citation the respondent shall do one of the following:

- (1) Pay the penalty amount identified on the citation within 15 days after the date of service. Payment shall be made as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule).
- (2) File a request with the Clerk for a hearing within 15 days after the date of service. A duly filed request for hearing shall be deemed a denial of each averment made in the citation. Requests for hearings may be made by completing the applicable portion of the citation and serving it upon the Clerk or by appearing at TLD Headquarters and completing a hearing request form.

(c) *Default orders.*

(1) If payment of a citation is not made or a request for a hearing is not filed as provided in subsection (b), a default order will be issued by the Authority or a presiding officer sustaining the complaint and assessing the penalty, as proposed in the complaint, against the respondent.

(2) In the event a respondent fails to appear at a hearing requested pursuant to subsection (b), without good cause shown, the Authority or presiding officer, upon review of evidence of service of the Authority's hearing notice upon the respondent, will issue a default order sustaining the complaint and assessing the fine, as proposed in the complaint, against the respondent.

(d) *Hearing.* Hearings conducted pursuant to this section shall otherwise proceed pursuant to this subpart.

**§1005.13. Joinder of formal complaints.**

(a) Two or more complainants may join in one complaint if they are complaining against the same respondent, and if the subject matter and relief sought is substantially the same.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.11 (relating to joinder of formal complaints).

**§1005.14. Satisfaction of formal complaints.**

(a) If the respondent satisfies a complaint either before or after a hearing, a statement to that effect signed by the complainant shall be filed with the Clerk setting forth that the complaint has been satisfied and requesting dismissal or withdrawal of the complaint. Except when requested by the parties, the Authority or presiding officer will not be required to render a final order upon the satisfaction of a complaint.

(b) This section supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.41 (relating to satisfaction of complaints).

## **PETITIONS**

**§1005.16. Petitions generally.**

(a) Petitions are pleadings that may be filed by the Trial Counsel, an Authority division, parties, applicants, certificate holders, registrants, drivers, and other persons authorized by the Authority. Petitions must be filed with the Clerk.

(b) Petitions must be in writing, state clearly and concisely the grounds for the petition, the interest of the petitioner in the subject matter, the facts and any legal argument relied upon and the relief sought and otherwise comply with §§1001.31—36 (relating to documentary filings).

(c) Petitions must conform to §1001.6 (relating to filing generally) and be served on all persons directly affected.

(d) This section supplements 1 Pa. Code §§35.17 and 35.18 (relating to petitions generally; and petitions for issuance, amendment, waiver or deletion of regulations).

**§1005.17. Petitions for declaratory orders.**

(a) Petitions for the issuance of a declaratory order to terminate a controversy or remove uncertainty must:

(1) State clearly and concisely the controversy or uncertainty which is the subject of the petition.

(2) Cite the statutory provision or other authority involved.

(3) Include a complete statement of the facts and grounds prompting the petition.

(4) Include a full disclosure of the interest of the petitioner.

(b) The petitioner shall serve a copy of the petition on the Director, General Counsel, all persons directly affected and on other parties who petitioner believes will be affected by the petition. Service shall be evidenced with a certificate of service filed with the petition.

(c) Copies shall also be served in compliance with Authority direction.

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.19 (relating to petitions for declaratory orders).

**§1005.18. Petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations.**

(a) A petition to the Authority for the issuance, amendment, waiver or repeal of a regulation must be filed with the Clerk and set forth clearly and concisely the interest of the petitioner in the subject matter, the specific regulation, amendment, waiver or repeal requested, and cite by appropriate reference the statutory provision or other authority involved.

(b) A petition under this section must set forth the purpose of, and the facts claimed to constitute the grounds requiring the regulation, amendment, waiver or repeal.

(c) In addition to other considerations, the relief sought in a petition under this section will not be granted if the Authority determines that the requested relief is inconsistent with the purposes of the act, will disrupt or harm taxicab or limousine operations in Philadelphia or will adversely affect the public interest.

(d) A copy of the petition shall be served on all persons directly affected by the petition, the Director, General Counsel, and as otherwise required by the

Authority. Service shall be evidenced with a certificate of service filed with the petition.

(e) A petition for the issuance or amendment of a regulation shall incorporate the proposed regulation or amendment.

(f) A petition for waiver of a regulation shall initially be determined by the Director upon submission of documents. The Director's decision is subject to appeal as provided in §1005.19 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff).

(g) Subsections (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of regulations).

**§1005.19. Appeals from actions of the staff.**

(a) Actions taken by staff, other than a presiding officer, pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority will be deemed to be the final action of the Authority unless appealed by petition to the Authority within 15 days after service of notice of the action, unless a different time period is specified in this subpart or in the act. This section does not apply to staff decisions related to informal complaints, which must be addressed as provided in §1003.23 (relating to other initiation of formal complaints).

(b) An action taken by staff under delegated authority will note the parties' right to appeal the action under this section.

(c) Petitions for appeal from actions of staff must be filed with the Clerk, served as provided in §1001.52 (relating to service by party) and will be assigned to a presiding officer for a recommended decision as provided in §§1005.121—124 (relating to recommended decisions).

(d) Petitions for appeal from actions of the staff shall aver any material factual disputes related to the staff action necessitating an on the record hearing and otherwise comply with the requirements of §1005.16 (relating to petitions generally).

(e) A party may file an answer to a petition for appeal with the Clerk within 20 days of service, and in default thereof, may be deemed to have waived objection to the granting of the petition. Answers shall be served upon all other parties as provide in §1001.52.

(f) Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.20 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff).

## INTERVENTION

### **§1005.21. Initiation of intervention.**

(a) Participation in a proceeding as an intervenor may be initiated as follows:

(1) By the filing of a notice of intervention by another agency of the Commonwealth which is authorized by statute to participate in the proceeding.

(2) By order of the Authority or presiding officer upon grant of a petition to intervene.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.27 (relating to initiation of intervention).

### **§1005.22. Eligibility to intervene.**

(a) *Persons.* A petition to intervene may be filed by a person claiming a right to intervene or an interest of such nature that intervention is necessary or appropriate to the administration of the statute under which the proceeding is brought. The right or interest may be one of the following:

(1) A right conferred by statute of the United States or of the Commonwealth.

(2) An interest which may be directly affected and which is not adequately represented by existing participants, and as to which the petitioner may be bound by the action of the Commission in the proceeding.

(3) Another interest of such nature that participation of the petitioner may be in the public interest.

(b) *Commonwealth.* The Commonwealth or an officer or agency thereof may intervene as of right in a proceeding subject to paragraphs (1)—(3).

(c) *Supersession.* Subsections (a) and (b) are identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.28 (relating to eligibility to intervene).

### **§1005.23. Form and content of petitions to intervene.**

(a) Petitions to intervene must set out clearly and concisely the following:

(1) The facts from which the alleged intervention right or interest of the petitioner can be determined.

(2) The grounds of the proposed intervention.

(3) The petitioner's position regarding the issues in the proceeding.

(b) When the circumstances warrant, petitions to intervene filed on behalf of more than one person may be required to list those persons and entities comprising the represented group.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.29 (relating to form and contents of petitions to intervene).

#### **§1005.24. Filing of petitions to intervene.**

(a) Petitions to intervene and notices of intervention may be filed with the Clerk at any time following the filing of an application, petition, complaint, or other document seeking agency action, but in no event later than the date fixed for the filing of petitions to intervene or protests in any order or notice with respect to the proceedings published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, unless, in extraordinary circumstances for good cause shown, the Authority or the presiding officer authorizes a late filing. Where a person has been permitted to intervene notwithstanding his failure to file his petition within the time prescribed in this section, the Authority or presiding officer may, where the circumstances warrant, permit the waiver of the requirements of §1005.83 (relating to copies and form of documentary evidence) with respect to copies of exhibits for the intervenor.

(b) Subsections (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.30 (relating to filing of petitions to intervene).

#### **§1005.25. Notice, service and action on petitions to intervene.**

(a) *Notice and service.* Petitions to intervene, when filed with the Clerk, must show service thereof upon all parties to the proceeding in conformity with §1001.52 (relating to service by a party).

(b) *Action on petitions.* As soon as practicable after the expiration of the time for filing answers to petitions as provided in §1005.34. (relating to answers to petitions to intervene), the Authority or presiding officer will grant or deny the petition in whole or in part or may, if found to be appropriate, authorize limited participation.

(c) *Rights upon grant of petition.* Admission as an intervenor will not be construed as recognition by the Authority that the intervenor has a direct interest in the proceeding or might be aggrieved by an order of the Authority in the



proceeding. Intervenor is granted no rights which survive discontinuance of a case.

(d) *Actions on petitions filed after a hearing has commenced.* No petitions to intervene may be filed or will be acted upon during a hearing unless permitted by the Authority or presiding officer after opportunity for all parties to object thereto. Only to avoid detriment to the public interest will any presiding officer tentatively permit participation in a hearing in advance of, and then only subject to, the granting by the agency of a petition to intervene.

(e) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.31 (relating to notice and action on petitions to intervene).

#### **§1005.26. Limitation of participation in hearings.**

(a) Where there are two or more intervenors having substantially like interests and positions, the Authority or presiding officer may, in order to expedite the hearing, arrange appropriate limitations on the number of attorneys who will be permitted to cross-examine and make and argue motions and objections on behalf of the intervenors.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.32 (relating to limitation of participation in hearings).

## **ANSWERS**

#### **§1005.30. Answers to complaints, petitions, motions and other filings requiring a response.**

(a) *Time for filing.* Unless a different time is prescribed by statute, the Authority, or the presiding officer, answers to complaints, petitions, motions and other filings requiring a response shall be filed with the Clerk and served upon all other parties within 20 days after the date of service.

(b) *Form of answer.* Answers shall be in writing, and so drawn as fully and completely to advise the parties and the agency as to the nature of the defense. They shall admit or deny specifically and in detail each material allegation of the pleading answered, and state clearly and concisely the facts and matters of law relied upon. Answers shall be set forth in paragraphs numbered to correspond with the pleading answered and otherwise comply with §§1001.31—36 (relating to documentary filings).

(c) *Failure to file an answer.* A respondent failing to file an answer within the applicable period may be deemed in default, and relevant facts stated in the pleadings may be deemed admitted.

(d) *Supersession.* Subsections (b)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.35 and 35.37 (relating to answers to complaints and petitions; and answers to orders to show cause).

**§1005.31. Answers seeking affirmative relief or raising new matter.**

(a) *Answers seeking affirmative relief.* In its answer, a respondent may seek relief within the jurisdiction of the Authority against other parties in a proceeding if common questions of law or fact are present. The answer must conform to this chapter for answers generally and set forth:

- (1) The facts constituting the grounds of complaint.
- (2) The provisions of the statutes, rules, regulations or orders relied upon.
- (3) The injury complained of.
- (4) The relief sought.

(b) *Answers raising new matter.* An affirmative defense shall be pleaded in an answer or other responsive pleading under the heading of “New Matter.” A party may set forth as new matter another material fact which is not merely a denial of the averments of the preceding pleading.

(c) *Supersession.* Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code § 35.38 (relating to respondents seeking affirmative relief).

**§1005.32. Replies to answers seeking affirmative relief or new matter.**

(a) Unless otherwise ordered by the Authority, replies to answers seeking affirmative relief or to new matter shall be filed with the Clerk and served within 20 days after date of service of the answer, but not later than 5 days prior to the date set for the commencement of the hearing.

(b) Failure to file a timely reply to new matter may be deemed in default, and relevant facts stated in the new matter may be deemed to be admitted.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.39 (relating to replies to respondents seeking affirmative relief).

**§1005.33. Answers to amendments of pleadings.**

(a) An answer to an amendment, modification or supplement to an application, complaint, petition or other pleading set forth under §1005.41 (relating to amendments of pleadings generally) shall be filed with the Clerk within 20 days

after the date of service of the amendment, modification or supplement, unless for cause the Authority or presiding officer with or without motion prescribes a different time.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.40 (relating to answers to amendments of pleadings).

**§1005.34. Answers to petitions to intervene.**

(a) A party may file an answer to a petition to intervene within 20 days of service, and in default thereof, may be deemed to have waived objection to the granting of the petition. Answers shall be served upon all other parties.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.36 (relating to answers to petitions to intervene).

## **CONSOLIDATION**

**§1005.35. Consolidation.**

(a) The Authority or presiding officer, with or without motion, may order proceedings involving a common question of law or fact to be consolidated. The Authority or presiding officer may make orders concerning the conduct of the proceeding as may avoid unnecessary costs or delay.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §§35.45 and 35.122 (relating to consolidation; and consolidation of formal proceedings).

## **AMENDMENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF PLEADINGS**

**§1005.41. Amendments of pleadings generally.**

(a) *Generally.* A modification of or supplement to an application, complaint, petition or other pleading shall be deemed as an amendment to the pleading, and must comply with the requirements of this Chapter relating to the pleading amended.

(b) *Limitation.* No amendment to a pleading may be filed more than 20 days after the date an answer or other response to the original pleading was due to be filed

with the Clerk, unless directed or permitted by the Authority or the presiding officer after opportunity for all parties to be heard thereon.

(c) Subsections (a)—(b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.48 (relating to amendments of pleadings generally).

**§1005.42. Amendments to conform to the evidence.**

(a) *Amendment by consent.* When the parties introduce issues at a hearing not raised in the pleadings without objection of any party, the issues shall be treated in all respects as if they had been raised in the pleadings.

(b) *Amendment following objection.* If evidence upon new issues is objected to on the ground that it is not within the issues raised by the pleadings, the Authority or the presiding officer may allow the pleadings to be amended and the evidence to be received, when it appears that the presentation of the merits of the proceedings will be served thereby without prejudicing the public interest, the rights of a party and that the omission of the amended information was not calculated to delay the proceedings.

(c) *Continuance following objection.* A continuance may be granted by the Authority or the presiding officer under §1001.15 (relating to extensions of time and continuances) when necessary to allow the objecting party to address new issues and evidence.

(d) *Notice of amendment.* If an amendment adopted under this section has the effect of broadening the issues in the proceeding, notice of the amendment shall be given in the same manner as notice was given at the commencement of the proceeding and to the same persons who received the notice.

(e) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.49 (relating to amendments to conform to the evidence).

**§1005.43. Directed amendments.**

(a) The Authority may at any time, or during a hearing, presiding officers may on their own motion or the motion of a party, direct parties to state their case more fully or in more detail by way of amendment. The amendment shall be reduced to writing and filed within the time fixed by the Authority or the presiding officer.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.50 (relating to directed amendments).

#### **§1005.44. Withdrawal of pleadings in a contested proceeding.**

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), a party desiring to withdraw a pleading in a contested proceeding may file a petition for leave to withdraw the appropriate document with the Authority or presiding officer and serve it upon the other parties. The petition must set forth the reasons for the withdrawal. A party may object to the petition within 20 days of service. After considering the petition, an objection thereto and the public interest, the Authority or presiding officer will determine whether the withdrawal will be permitted.

(b) In an enforcement proceeding initiated by the Authority, Trial Counsel may withdraw any pleading upon notice to the respondent to be provided pursuant to §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).

(c) A protest to an application may be withdrawn by filing a notice of withdrawal directed to the Authority or the presiding officer. The notice must state that the protest is withdrawn and provide the reasons for the withdrawal.

(d) Withdrawal or termination of an uncontested proceeding is governed by §1001.82 (relating to withdrawal or termination of uncontested matter or proceeding).

(e) Subsection (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.51 (relating to withdrawal of pleadings).

## **MOTIONS**

#### **§1005.45. Motions.**

(a) *Scope and content.* A request may be made by motion for relief desired, except as may be otherwise expressly provided in this subpart. A motion must set forth the ruling or relief sought, and state the grounds therefore and the statutory or other authority upon which it relies.

(b) *Presentation of motions.* A motion may be made in writing at any time, and a motion made during a hearing may be stated orally upon the record, or the presiding officer may require that an oral motion be reduced to writing and filed separately. Written motions must contain a notice which states that a responsive pleading shall be filed within 20 days of the date of service of the motion.

(c) *Response to motions.* A party has 20 days from the date of service within which to answer or object to a motion, unless the period of time is otherwise fixed by the Authority or the presiding officer.

(d) *Rulings on motions.*

(1) The Authority or presiding officer will rule upon motions where an immediate ruling is essential in order to proceed with the hearing.

(2) A motion made during the course of hearing, which if granted would otherwise dispose of parties' rights, should be acted upon by the presiding officer prior to taking further testimony if, in the opinion of the presiding officer, the action is warranted.

(3) If a motion involves a question of jurisdiction, the establishment of a prima facie case or standing, the presiding officer may render a final determination with regard to a motion prior to the termination of hearings by issuing an initial or recommended decision.

(e) *Preliminary motions.*

(1) Preliminary motions are available to parties and may be filed in response to a pleading, except the following:

(i) Citation complaints filed pursuant to §§1005.10(a)(1) and 1005.12 (relating to formal complaints generally; and citation complaints by the Authority)

(ii) Motions.

(iii) Answers to motions.

(2) Preliminary motions must state specifically the legal and factual grounds relied upon and be limited to the following:

(i) Lack of Authority jurisdiction or improper service of the pleading initiating the proceeding.

(ii) Failure of a pleading to conform to this chapter or the inclusion of scandalous or impertinent matter.

(iii) Insufficient specificity of a pleading.

(iv) Legal insufficiency of a pleading.

(v) Lack of capacity to sue or nonjoinder of a necessary party.

(vi) Pendency of a prior proceeding or agreement for alternative dispute resolution.

(f) *Supersession*. Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.177 (relating to scope and contents of motions). Subsection (b) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.178 (relating to presentation of motions). Subsection (c) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.179 (relating to objections to motions). Subsection (d) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.180 (relating to action on motions). Subsection (e) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§ 35.54 and 35.55 (relating to motions as to complaints; and motions as to answer).

## **SUBCHAPTER B. HEARINGS**

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## GENERAL

### **§1005.51. Notice of proceeding; hearing; waiver of hearing.**

(a) When notice and hearing are required under the act, publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* of a notice of application or other initial pleading is sufficient to provide notice of the proceeding. Service on interested persons is also sufficient to provide notice. Hearings will be held upon the filing of the pleading, unless waived by the parties.

(b) If the appropriate pleading is not filed within the set period of time, or when the parties have waived hearings, the Authority may dispose of the matter without a hearing upon the basis of the pleadings or submittals and the studies and recommendations of the staff.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.101, 35.103 and 35.121 (relating to waiver of hearing; preliminary notice to Department of Justice; and initiation of hearings).

### **§1005.52. Scheduling of hearing.**

(a) A hearing calendar of all matters set for hearing will be maintained by the Clerk and will be in order of assignment as far as practicable. All matters will be heard in at TLD Headquarters, unless a different site is designated by the Authority or the presiding officer. The Authority or the presiding officer, in its discretion with or without motion, for cause may at any time with due notice to the parties advance or postpone any proceeding on the hearing calendar.

(b) Hearings will be held before the Authority or presiding officer, and all appearances, including staff counsel participating, will be entered upon the record, with a notation on whose behalf each appearance is made. A notation will be made in the record of the names of the members of the staff of the Authority participating, including accountants, and other experts, who are assisting in the investigation of the matter. This section supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§ 35.123 and 35.125 (relating to conduct of hearings; and order of procedure).

(c) In oral and documentary hearings, neither the Authority nor the presiding officer will be bound by technical rules of evidence, and all relevant evidence of reasonably probative value may be received. Reasonable examination and cross-examination will be permitted at all oral hearings. If a party does not testify on his own behalf, the party may be called and examined as if under cross-examination.



(d) Subsection (a—c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.102 (relating to hearing calendar).

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

### **§1005.53. Notice of nonrulemaking proceedings.**

(a) The Authority or presiding officer is authorized to schedule prehearing conferences and hearings. Parties shall be given reasonable notice of the time and place of the prehearing conference or hearing. In fixing the time and place of conferences and hearings, regard will be given to the convenience and necessity of the parties or their attorneys so far as time and the proper execution of the functions of the Authority permit.

(b) A protestant shall attend the initial hearing or prehearing conference, if one has been scheduled. Failure to attend may result in the dismissal of the protest by the Authority or presiding officer.

(c) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§35.105 and 35.106 (relating to notice of nonrulemaking proceedings; and contents of notice of nonrulemaking proceedings).

## **HEARING CONFERENCES**

### **§1005.54. Conferences generally.**

Conferences shall be scheduled and conducted in accordance with 1 Pa Code §§35.111—35.116 (relating to prehearing conferences).

## **STIPULATIONS**

### **§1005.55. Presentation and effect of stipulations.**

(a) Parties may stipulate to relevant matters of fact or the authenticity of relevant documents. The stipulations may be received in evidence at a hearing, and when so received shall be binding on the parties to the stipulation with respect to the matters therein stipulated.

(b) The parties may make stipulations independently of orders or rulings issued under §1005.54 (relating to conferences generally).

(c) The Authority or presiding officer may disregard in whole or in part a stipulation of facts under this section but may grant further hearing if requested by a party to the stipulation within 15 days after issuance of an Authority order disregarding the stipulation of fact.

(d) Subsections (a)—(b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.155 (relating to presentation and effect of stipulations). Subsection (c) supplements 1 Pa. Code §35.155.

**§1005.56. Restrictive amendments to applications for rights issued by the Authority.**

(a) Parties to an application for Authority rights may stipulate as to restrictions or modifications to the proposed rights. Stipulations in the form of restrictive amendments or modifications must:

- (1) Be in writing.
  - (2) Explain why the stipulation is in the public interest.
  - (3) Be signed by each party to the stipulation.
  - (4) Be submitted to the Manager of Administration for insertion into the document folder.
- (b) Restrictive amendments shall be binding on the parties but not on the Authority if it is determined they are not in the public interest. If a restrictive amendment is not accepted by the Authority, it may remand the matter for appropriate proceedings.

## **HEARINGS**

**§1005.57. Order of procedure.**

(a) In a proceeding, the party having the burden of proof, shall open and close unless otherwise directed by the presiding officer. In a hearing on investigations and in proceedings which have been consolidated for hearing, the presiding officer may direct who will open and close. Oral rejoinder, if proposed by the party with the burden of proof, shall be completed before any cross-examination of the witness is conducted.

(b) Except when the presiding officer determines that it is necessary to develop a comprehensive evidentiary record, the participation of a person granted the right to intervene in a proceeding will be limited to the presentation of evidence through the submission of testimony under §1005.90.

(c) In proceedings when the evidence is peculiarly within the knowledge or control of another party, the order of presentation set forth in subsections (a) and (b) may be varied by the presiding officer.

(d) The presiding officer may direct the order of parties for purposes of cross-examination, subject to §1005.58 (f) (relating to presentation by parties).

(e) Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.125 (relating to order of procedure).

**§1005.58. Presentation by parties.**

(a) A party has the right of presentation of evidence, cross-examination, objection, motion and argument subject to the limitations of this subpart. The taking of evidence and subsequent proceedings shall proceed with reasonable diligence and with the least practicable delay.

(b) When an objection to the admission or exclusion of evidence before the Authority or the presiding officer is made, the ground relied upon shall be stated briefly. A formal exception is unnecessary and may not be taken to rulings thereon.

(c) The Authority or presiding officer may require or allow a factual statement of the scope of a pleading or the position of a party in the proceeding. Facts admitted on the record by a party or by testimony, exhibits or in writing, need not be further proved.

(d) The Authority or the presiding officer may limit appropriately the number of witnesses who may be heard upon an issue.

(e) A party will not be permitted to introduce evidence during a rebuttal phase which:

(1) Is repetitive.

(2) Should have been included in the party's case-in-chief.

(3) Substantially varies from the party's case-in-chief.

(f) If a party conducts friendly cross-examination of a witness, the presiding officer may permit the other parties a second opportunity to cross-examine after friendly cross-examination is completed. The recross-examination shall be limited to the issues on which there was friendly cross-examination.

(g) Subsections (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.126 (relating to presentation by the parties).

**§1005.59. Failure to appear, proceed or maintain order in proceedings.**

(a) Except as provided in §1005.12(c) (relating to citation complaints by the Authority), after being notified, a party who fails to be represented at a scheduled conference or hearing in a proceeding will:

(1) Be deemed to have waived the opportunity to participate in the conference or hearing.

(2) Not be permitted thereafter to reopen the disposition of a matter accomplished at the conference or hearing.

(3) Not be permitted to recall witnesses who were excused for further examination.

(b) Subsection (a)(1)—(3) does not apply if the presiding officer determines that the failure to be represented was unavoidable and that the interests of the other parties and of the public would not be prejudiced by permitting the reopening or further examination. Counsel shall be expected to go forward with the examination of witnesses at the hearing under §1005.57 (relating to order of procedure), or as has been otherwise stipulated or has been directed by the presiding officer.

(c) If the Authority or the presiding officer finds, after notice and opportunity for hearing, that the actions of a party, including an intervenor, in a proceeding obstruct the orderly conduct of the proceeding and are inimical to the public interest, the Authority or the presiding officer may take appropriate action, including dismissal of the complaint, application, or petition, if the action is that of complainant, applicant, or petitioner.

## **TRANSCRIPT**

**§1005.60. Transcripts generally.**

(a) If required by law, hearings will be stenographically reported by the Authority's official reporter.

(b) Notwithstanding the review provisions of §1005.61 (relating to review of testimony), the hearing transcript will be a part of the record and the sole official transcript of the proceeding.

(c) The transcripts will include a verbatim report of the hearings and nothing will be omitted therefrom except as is directed by the presiding officer. Changes in the

transcript must be made as provided in §1005.62 (relating to transcript corrections).

(d) Subsections (a)—(c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.131 (relating to recording of proceedings).

**§1005.61. Review of testimony.**

(a) In proceedings when testimony was electronically recorded and subsequently transcribed, a party may review the recording to ensure it was transcribed accurately.

(b) Review will not be permitted except upon written request within 20 days after the transcript has been filed with the Authority.

(c) Upon request for review, the Authority or presiding officer will schedule a time and place for the review which shall be open to all parties. The court reporter shall submit the tapes and equipment necessary for the review and shall arrange for the court reporter responsible for transcribing the tapes to be present at the review.

(d) Actual costs associated with making the tapes available for review, including the time of the court reporter, shall be paid by the party requesting review.

(e) Nothing in this section requires the electronic recording of testimony.

**§1005.62. Transcript corrections.**

(a) A correction in the official transcript may be made only to make it accurately reflect the evidence presented at the hearing and to speak the truth.

(b) Proposed corrections of a transcript may be submitted by either of the following means:

(1) By written stipulation by the parties of record who were present when the transcription was taken.

(2) Upon written request of one or more parties of record present when the transcription was taken.

(c) Proposed corrections shall be filed as follows:

(1) Within 10 days after the transcript has been filed with the Clerk.

(2) Within 10 days after the electronically recorded testimony has been reviewed.

(3) Upon permission of the presiding officer granted prior to the closing of the record.

(d) Objections or other comments to the proposed corrections shall be filed within 10 days of service of the proposed corrections.

(e) Proposed corrections and objections or other comments shall be served upon the parties of record present when the original transcription was taken.

(f) The presiding officer will rule upon a proposed correction of a transcript within 20 days of its receipt. A request for corrections not acted upon within 20 days is deemed to be:

(1) Denied if opposed in a timely manner.

(2) Granted if unopposed.

(g) Subsections (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.132 (relating to transcript corrections).

#### **§1005.63. Copies of transcripts.**

(a) A party or other person desiring copies of the transcript may obtain copies from the official reporter upon payment of the fees fixed therefore.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.133 (relating to copies of transcripts).

### **SUBCHAPTER C. INTERLOCUTORY REVIEW**

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#### **§1005.71. Interlocutory review generally.**

(a) The Authority will not permit interlocutory review of rulings made by a presiding officer during the course of any proceedings, except as specifically

provided by this subpart and in extraordinary circumstances where only the prompt decision by the Authority can prevent detriment to the public interest.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.190 (relating to appeals to agency head from rulings of presiding officers).

**§1005.72. Petition for interlocutory Authority review and answer to a material question.**

(a) During the course of a proceeding, a party may file a timely petition with the Clerk directed to the Authority requesting review and answer to a material question only as provided in §1005.71 (relating to interlocutory review generally) with copies served on all parties and the presiding officer and state, in not more than three pages, the question to be answered and the detriment to the public interest that will occur without the relief requested.

(b) Within 10 days of service of the petition, each party may submit a brief directed to the Authority supporting or opposing the petition and addressing the merits of the question for which an answer is requested and whether a stay of proceedings is required to protect the substantial rights of a party. The brief may not exceed 15 pages.

(c) The petitioning party shall also provide with the brief rulings on its question and extracts from the record as will assist the Authority in reaching a decision.

(d) Additional briefs are not permitted unless directed by the Authority.

**§1005.73. Authority action on petition for interlocutory review and answer.**

Unless the Authority acts upon a question filed pursuant to §1005.72 (relating to petition for interlocutory Authority review and answer to a material question) for determination within 30 days after filing of the appeal shall be deemed to have been denied.

## **SUBCHAPTER D. EVIDENCE AND WITNESSES**

### **EVIDENCE**

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## **EVIDENCE**

### **§1005.75. Admissibility of evidence.**

(a) In oral and documentary proceedings, neither the Authority nor the presiding officer will be bound by technical rules of evidence, and all relevant evidence of reasonably probative value may be received. Reasonable examination and cross-examination will be permitted at all oral hearings.

(b) In the discretion of the Authority or presiding officer, evidence may be excluded if:

- (1) It is repetitious or cumulative.
- (2) Its probative value is outweighed by:



(i) The danger of unfair prejudice.

(ii) Confusion of the issues.

(iii) Considerations of undue delay or waste of time.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.161 (relating to form and admissibility of evidence).

**§1005.76. Admission of evidence.**

(a) The Authority or presiding officer shall rule on the admissibility of evidence, and shall otherwise control the reception of evidence so as to confine it to the issues in the proceeding.

(b) For an exhibit to be received into evidence, it shall be marked for identification and moved into evidence.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.162 (relating to reception and ruling on evidence).

**§1005.77. Control of receipt of evidence.**

(a) The Authority or presiding officer shall have all necessary authority to control the receipt of evidence, including the following:

(1) Ruling on the admissibility of evidence.

(2) Confining the evidence to the issues in the proceeding and impose, where appropriate:

(i) Limitations on the number of witnesses to be heard.

(ii) Limitations of time and scope for direct and cross-examinations.

(iii) Limitations on the production of further evidence.

(iv) Other necessary limitations.

(b) The Authority or presiding officer will actively employ these powers to direct and focus the proceedings consistent with due process.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.127, 35.162 and 35.163 (relating to limiting number of witnesses; reception and ruling on evidence; and designation of relevant portions of documentary evidence).

**§1005.78. Additional evidence.**

(a) At any stage of the hearing or thereafter the Authority or the presiding officer may call for further admissible evidence upon an issue and require that the evidence be presented by the parties concerned, either at the hearing or at the adjournment thereof.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.128 (relating to additional evidence).

**§1005.79. Effect of pleadings.**

(a) Pleadings listed in §1005.1 (relating to pleadings allowed) shall, without further action, be considered as part of the record as pleadings.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) and in the case of a noncontested proceeding, a pleading, or any part thereof may not be considered as evidence of a fact other than that of filing thereof unless offered and received into evidence.

(c) A fact admitted by a party in an answer, filed under oath, to a numbered allegation in a pleading may be considered as evidence of the fact without the pleading and answer being offered and received into evidence.

(d) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.125(d) (relating to order of procedure). Subsection (c) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.35 (relating to answers to complaints and petitions).

**§1005.80. Public documents.**

(a) A report, decision, opinion or other document or part thereof, need not be produced or marked for identification, but may be offered in evidence as a public document by specifying the document or part thereof and where it may be found, if the document is one of the following:

(1) A report or other document on file with the Authority.

(2) An official report, decision, opinion, published scientific or economic statistical data or similar public document which is issued by a governmental department, agency, committee, Authority or similar entity which is shown by the offeror to be reasonably available to the public.

(b) Upon the request of a party and at the direction of the Authority or presiding officer, a party who incorporates by reference a pleading shall provide a copy of the pleading to the party requesting one.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.164, 35.165 and 35.166 (relating to documents on file with agency, public documents; and prepared expert testimony).

**§1005.81. Records of other proceedings.**

(a) When a portion of the record in another proceeding before the Authority is offered in evidence and shown to be relevant and material to the instant proceeding, a true copy of the record shall be presented in the form of an exhibit, together with additional copies as provided in §1005.83 (relating to copies and form of documentary evidence), unless both of the following occur:

(1) The party offering the record agrees to supply, within a period of time specified by the Authority or the presiding officer, the copies at his own expense, if any, when so required.

(2) The portion is specified with particularity so as to be readily identified, and upon motion is admitted into evidence by reference to the records of the other proceedings.

(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.167 (relating to records in other proceedings).

**§1005.82. Official and judicial notice of fact.**

(a) Official notice or judicial notice of facts may be taken by the Authority or the presiding officer.

(b) When the decision of the Authority or the presiding officer rests on official notice or judicial notice of a material fact not appearing in the evidence in the record, the parties will be so notified.

(c) Upon notification that facts are about to be or have been noticed, a party adversely affected shall have the opportunity upon timely request to show that the facts are not properly noticed or that alternative facts should be noticed.

(d) The Authority or the presiding officer in its discretion will determine whether written presentations suffice, or whether oral argument, oral evidence or cross-examination is appropriate in the circumstances.

(e) Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.173 (relating to official notice of facts).

**§1005.83. Copies and form of documentary evidence.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subpart, when exhibits of a documentary character are offered in evidence, copies shall be furnished to the presiding officer and to the parties present at the hearing, unless the presiding officer otherwise directs. Two copies of each exhibit of documentary character shall be furnished for the use of the Authority unless otherwise directed by the presiding officer.

(b) Whenever practicable, all exhibits of a documentary character received in evidence must be on paper of good quality and so prepared as to be plainly legible and durable, whether printed, typewritten or otherwise reproduced, and conform to Chapter 1, Subchapter D (relating to documentary filings) whenever practicable.

(c) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.169 (relating to copies to parties and agency). Subsection (b) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.168 (relating to form and size of documentary evidence).

**WITNESSES**

**§1005.90. Oral examination.**

(a) Witnesses shall be examined orally unless the testimony is taken by deposition as permitted by the Authority or presiding officer or the facts are stipulated in the manner provided in §1005.54 (relating to conferences generally) or in §1005.55 (relating to presentation and effect of stipulations) or the testimony of expert witnesses is submitted in prepared written form as permitted by the Authority or presiding officer. Witnesses whose testimony is to be taken shall be sworn, or shall affirm, before their testimony shall be deemed evidence in the proceeding or any questions are put to them.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.137 (relating to oral examination).

**§1005.91. Written testimony.**

(a) *General.* Use of written testimony in Authority proceedings is encouraged, especially in connection with the testimony of witnesses determined by the Authority or presiding officer to be experts. Written direct testimony is required of expert witnesses testifying in rate cases.

(b) *Use.* The Authority or presiding officer may direct that expert testimony to be given upon direct examination be submitted as prepared written testimony. A reasonable period of time will be allowed to prepare written testimony.

(c) *Rules regarding use.* Written testimony is subject to the same rules of admissibility and cross-examination of the sponsoring witness as if it were presented orally in the usual manner.

(d) *Cross-examination.* Cross-examination of the witness presenting written testimony shall proceed at the hearing at which testimony is authenticated if service of the written testimony is made upon each party of record at least 20 days prior to the hearing, unless the presiding officer for good cause otherwise directs. In a rate proceeding, the presiding officer or the Authority will establish the schedule for the filing and authentication of written testimony, and for cross-examination by other parties.

(e) *Form.* Written testimony must normally be prepared in question and answer form, include a statement of the qualifications of the witness and be accompanied by exhibits to which it relates. A party offering prepared written testimony shall insert line numbers in the left-hand margin on each page. A party should also use a logical and sequential numbering system to identify the written testimony of individual witnesses.

(f) *Service.* Written testimony shall be served upon the presiding officer and parties in the proceeding in accordance with the schedule established by this chapter. At the same time the testimony is served, a certificate of service for the testimony shall be filed with the Secretary.

(g) *Copies.* At the hearing at which the testimony is authenticated, counsel for the witness shall provide two copies of the testimony to the court reporter.

(h) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(g) supersede 1 Pa. Code § 35.138, 35.150 and 35.166 (relating to expert witnesses; scope and conduct of examination; and prepared expert testimony).

#### **§1005.92. Offers of proof.**

(a) An offer of proof may be requested when opposing counsel contends the witness is not competent to testify to the subject matter or that the evidence to be offered is inadmissible. An offer of proof also may be made when the presiding officer has sustained an objection to the admission of testimony or tangible evidence. If the proffered evidence is tangible, it shall be marked for identification and shall constitute the offer of proof. If the proffered evidence is oral testimony, the offer of proof shall consist of a summary of the evidence which counsel contends would be adduced by the testimony. The presiding officer may also request a statement of the basis for admissibility of the evidence.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.190(b) (relating to appeals to agency head from rulings of presiding officers).

## **SUBPOENAS**

### **§1005.95. Subpoenas.**

Matters related to subpoenas shall be as provided in 1 Pa. Code §35.142 (relating to subpoenas).

### **§1005.96. Depositions.**

Matters related to depositions shall be as provided in 1 Pa. Code §§35.145—152 (relating to depositions).

## **CLOSE OF THE RECORD**

### **§1005.101 Close of the record.**

- (a) The record will be closed at the conclusion of the hearing unless otherwise directed by the Authority or presiding officer.
- (b) After the record is closed, additional matter may not be relied upon or accepted into the record unless allowed for good cause shown by the Authority or presiding officer upon motion.
- (c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code § 35.231 and 35.232 (relating to reopening on application of party; and reopening by presiding officer).

## **SUBCHAPTER E. PRESIDING OFFICERS**

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**§1005.110. Designation of presiding officer.**

(a) When evidence is to be taken in a proceeding, either the Authority, a standing presiding officer appoint pursuant to §1003.53(b) (relating to Adjudication Department) or an Authority representative appointed according to law and qualified as provided in §1005.111 (relating to qualifications), may preside at the hearing.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §35.185 (relating to designation of presiding officers).

**§1005.111. Qualifications.**

(a) An authority representative appointed as provided in §1005.110 (relating to designation of presiding officer) will be one of the following:

(1) A member of the Authority.

(2) The Director.

(3) An attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for a period of not less than seven years prior to the date of designation.

(b) A presiding officer appointed to preside over an enforcement proceeding will meet the qualifications of subsection (a)(3).

**§1005.112. Disqualification of a presiding officer.**

(a) A party may file a motion for disqualification of a presiding officer which shall be accompanied by affidavits alleging personal bias or other disqualification.

(b) A presiding officer may withdraw from a proceeding when deemed disqualified in accordance with law.

(c) A motion for disqualification shall be filed with the Clerk and served on the presiding officer and the parties to the proceeding.

(d) The presiding officer will rule upon a motion for disqualification within 30 days of receipt. Failure to rule upon a motion for disqualification within 30 days of its receipt will be deemed to be a denial of the motion.

(e) The ruling of the presiding officer on a motion for disqualification is subject to the interlocutory appeal procedure in §1005.71. (relating to petition for interlocutory Authority review and answer to a material question).

(f) Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.186 (relating to disqualification of a presiding officer).

**§1005.113. Authority of presiding officer.**

(a) The presiding officer will have the authority, within the powers of the act, this part or an order of the Authority. This authority includes, but is not limited to, the power to exclude irrelevant, immaterial or unduly repetitive evidence, to prevent excessive examination of witnesses, to schedule and impose reasonable limitations on discovery and to otherwise regulate the course of the proceeding.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code § 35.187 (relating to authority delegated to presiding officers).

**§1005.114. Restrictions on duties and activities.**

(a) Presiding officers will perform no duties inconsistent with their duties and responsibilities as such.

(b) Except as required for the disposition of ex parte matters not prohibited by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, no presiding officer will consult a person or party on a fact in issue unless upon notice and opportunity for all parties to participate.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) are identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.188 (relating to restrictions on duties and activities).

**§1005.115. Manner of conduct of hearings.**

(a) The presiding officer will conduct a fair and impartial hearing and maintain order.

(b) The presiding officer may note on the record a party's disregard of a ruling. When necessary, the presiding officer may submit a report to the Authority recommending suspension and disbarment of the offending person as provided by §1001.27 (relating to suspension and disbarment).

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.189 (relating to manner of conduct of hearings).

**§1005.116. Unavailability of presiding officer.**

(a) If a presiding officer becomes unavailable, the Adjudication Department's supervising presiding officer may either designate another qualified standing presiding officer to prepare the initial or recommended decision or cause the record to be certified to the Authority for decision.



(b) Subsection (a) is identical to 1 Pa. Code §35.203 (relating to unavailability of presiding officer).

## **SUBCHAPTER F. BRIEFS**

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1005.118           Filing and service of briefs.

### **§1005.117. Content and form of briefs.**

(a) When briefs are required by this part or upon direction of the Authority or presiding officer in a proceeding, the brief must contain the following:

- (1) A concise statement or counter-statement of the case.
- (2) Reference to the pages of the record or exhibits where the evidence relied upon by the filing party appears.
- (3) An argument preceded by a summary. The party with the burden of proof shall, in its main or initial brief, completely address, to the extent possible, every issue raised by the relief sought and the evidence adduced at hearing.
- (4) A conclusion with requested relief.

(b) Briefs must also contain the following, if and as directed by the presiding officer:

- (1) A statement of the questions involved.
- (2) Proposed findings of fact with references to transcript pages or exhibits where evidence appears, together with proposed conclusions of law.
- (3) Proposed ordering paragraphs specifically identifying the relief sought.
- (c) Exhibits should not be reproduced in the brief, but may, if desired, be reproduced in an appendix to the brief.
- (d) Briefs of more than 20 pages must contain on their front leaves a table of contents with page references and a table of citations, which may be prepared without pagination.

(e) Briefs must be as concise as possible and, except for briefs in rate cases, be limited to 60 pages in length, unless some other limitation is imposed or allowed by the presiding officer. The length of briefs in rate cases will be controlled by the presiding officer.

(f) Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.192 (relating to content and form of briefs).

**§1005.118. Filing and service of briefs.**

(a) *Service.* Copies shall be served on the parties in accordance with §1001.57 (relating to number of copies to be served).

(b) *Number of copies.* An original and 12 copies of a brief shall be filed with the Clerk in proceedings before the Authority, with only three copies filed in proceedings before a presiding officer.

(c) *Filing of briefs in nonrate proceedings.*

(1) *Initial brief.* An initial brief shall be filed by the party with the burden of proof except as provided by agreement or by direction of the presiding officer.

(2) *Response brief.* A party may file a response brief to the initial brief.

(d) *Filing of briefs in rate proceedings.*

(1) *Main brief.* A main brief may be filed by a party except as provided by agreement or by direction of the presiding officer.

(2) *Reply brief.* A party may file a reply brief to a main brief regardless of whether the party filed a main brief.

(e) *Filing of amicus curiae briefs.* A person interested in the issues involved in an Authority proceeding, although not a party, may, without applying for leave to do so, file amicus curiae briefs with the Clerk in regard to those issues. Unless otherwise ordered, amicus curiae briefs shall be filed and served in the manner and number required and within the time allowed by this section, absent good cause.

(f) *Deadlines.* Initial briefs, main briefs, responsive briefs and reply briefs shall be filed and served within the time fixed by the presiding officer. If no specific times are fixed, initial briefs or main briefs shall be filed and served within 20 days after the date of service of notice of the filing of the transcript and responsive briefs or reply briefs shall be filed within 20 days after date of service of the notice of the filing of the transcript.

(g) *Late-filed briefs.* Briefs not filed and served on or before the dates fixed therefore will not be accepted, except by special permission of the Authority or the presiding officer as permitted under §1001.15 (referring to extensions of time and continuances).

(h) *Supersession.* Subsections (a)—(g) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.191 and 35.193 (relating to proceedings in which briefs are to be filed; and filing and service of briefs).

## **SUBCHAPTER G. RECOMMENDED DECISIONS AND APPEALS**

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### **RECOMMENDED DECISIONS**

#### **§1005.121. Recommended decisions generally.**

(a) This subchapter applies only to proceedings referred to a presiding officer for a recommended decision by a provision of this part or order of the Authority.

(b) The Authority will employ the use of recommended decisions in lieu of proposed reports.

**§1005.122. Certification of record without decision.**

(a) If a proceeding is referred to a presiding officer as provided in §1005.121 (related to recommended decisions generally), that officer will normally file a decision. The record will be certified to the Authority without a decision of the presiding officer only as required or allowed by the Authority.

(b) Subsection (a) supersedes 1 Pa. Code §§35.201—35.207 (relating to proposed reports generally).

**§1005.123. Appeal hearings.**

In the event a matter is referred to a presiding officer with instructions to conduct hearings to develop an evidentiary record or if the petition for appeal avers a material factual dispute which the presiding officer determines necessitates a hearing, the hearing shall be conducted as provided in Subchapter B (relating to hearings).

**§1005.124. Briefs and oral argument before presiding officer.**

(a) In matters which do not require a hearing to develop an evidentiary record the presiding officer may issue a recommended decision upon review of the petition and answer, if any.

(b) On the presiding officer's own motion or at the request of a party, the presiding officer may order the filing of briefs in a form consistent with Subchapter F (relating to briefs), on such schedule as the presiding officer deems appropriate.

(c) In the event briefs are filed, on the presiding officer's own motion or at the request of a party the presiding officer may order the presentation of oral argument and impose limits on the argument that are deemed appropriate. When determining the propriety of oral argument the presiding officer shall consider the limitations of time, the nature of the proceedings, the complexity or importance of the issues of fact or law involved and the public interest.

(d) Subsections (a—c) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.204 (relating to oral argument before presiding officer).

**EXCEPTIONS TO RECOMMENDED DECISIONS**

**§1005.125. Exceptions to recommended decisions.**

(a) Subject to subsection (f), a party may file written exceptions to the recommended decision of a presiding officer with the Clerk within 15 days after

the recommended decision is issued, unless some other exception period is provided. Exceptions may not be filed with respect to an interlocutory decision.

(b) Each exception must be numbered and identify the finding of fact or conclusion of law to which exception is taken and cite relevant pages of the decision. Supporting reasons for the exceptions shall follow each specific exception.

(c) The exceptions must be concise. The exceptions and supporting reasons must be limited to 20 pages in length. Statements of reasons supporting exceptions must, insofar as practicable, incorporate by reference and citation, relevant portions of the record and passages in previously filed briefs. A separate brief in support of or in reply to exceptions may not be filed with the Clerk.

(d) An original and twelve copies of the exceptions shall be filed with the Clerk.

(e) Unless otherwise ordered by the Authority, the provisions of §§1001.11 and 1001.54 (relating to date of filing; and date of service) will not be available to extend the time periods for filing exceptions.

(f) A presiding officer's decision related to an enforcement proceeding will not be subject to exception or administrative appeal, except as provided in section 5705(a) of the act (relating to contested complaints).

(g) Subsections (a)—(f) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.211 and 35.212 (relating to procedure to except to proposed report; and content and form of briefs on exceptions).

#### **§1005.126. Replies.**

(a) A party has the right to file a reply to an exception in proceedings before the Authority. Unless otherwise directed by the Authority or presiding officer, a reply shall be filed within 10 days of the date that an exception is filed and be limited to 20 pages in length and in paragraph form. A reply must be concise and incorporate by reference relevant passages in previously filed briefs. A reply may not raise new arguments or issues, but be limited to responding to the arguments or issues in the exception.

(b) Unless otherwise ordered by the Authority, the provisions of §§1001.11 and 1001.54 (relating to date of filing; and date of service) will not be available to extend the time periods for filing replies to an exception.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.211 (relating to procedure to except to proposed report).

**§1005.127. Final orders and effect of failure to file exceptions.**

(a) *Enforcement proceedings.* A presiding officer's decision related to an enforcement proceeding will become a final order or adjudication of the Authority as provided in section 5705(a) of the act.

(b) *Other proceedings.* If no exceptions are filed in a proceeding included within §1005.125(a) (relating to exceptions to recommended decisions), the decision of the presiding officer will become a final order or adjudication of the Authority without further Authority action, unless, within 15 days after the decision is issued, two or more members of the Authority request that the General Counsel schedule the decision for Authority review. Authority action on exceptions shall be a final order or adjudication.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.213 and 35.226 (relating to effect of failure to except to proposed report; and final orders).

**§1005.128. Oral argument before the Authority.**

(a) In a case duly brought to the Authority by the filing of an exception or appeal, a request for oral argument before the Authority shall be filed in writing together with the appeal.

(b) In a case where exceptions are filed under §1005.125 (relating to procedure to except to proposed decisions) a request for oral argument before the Authority shall be filed in writing together with exceptions to recommended decision, or any reply.

(c) In a case where no recommended decision will be issued, a request for oral argument before the Authority shall be filed in writing together with the initial or responding brief.

(d) If oral argument is ordered, it shall be limited, unless otherwise specified, to matters properly raised by the briefs.

(e) Subsections (a)—(d) supersede 1 Pa. Code §§35.214 and 35.221 (relating to oral argument on exceptions; and briefs and oral argument in absence of proposed report).

**§1005.129. Withdrawal of appeals.**

(a) The filing of exceptions to a recommended decision shall be deemed to be an appeal to the Authority of the recommended decision and is subject to review by the Authority.

(b) An appeal to the Authority may be withdrawn at any time. If the presiding officer's previous decision is not otherwise subject to Authority review, it becomes final and effective upon the filing of a notice of withdrawal.

## **SUBCHAPTER H. REOPENING, RECONSIDERATION AND REHEARING**

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1005.131      Reopening prior to a final decision.  
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### **§1005.131. Reopening prior to a final decision.**

(a) At any time after the record is closed but before a final decision is issued, a party may file a petition to reopen the proceeding for the purpose of taking additional evidence.

(b) A petition to reopen must set forth clearly the facts claimed to constitute grounds requiring reopening of the proceeding, including material changes of fact or of law alleged to have occurred since the conclusion of the hearing.

(c) Within 10 days following the service of the petition, another party may file an answer thereto.

(d) The record may be reopened upon notification to the parties in a proceeding for the reception of further evidence if there is reason to believe that conditions of fact or of law have so changed as to require, or that the public interest requires, the reopening of the proceeding.

(1) The presiding officer may reopen the record if the presiding officer has not issued a decision or has not certified the record to the Authority.

(2) The Authority may reopen the record after the presiding officer has issued a decision or certified the record to the Authority.

(e) Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code § §35.231—35.233 (relating to reopening of record).

### **§1005.132. Petitions for relief.**

(a) Petitions for rehearing, reargument, reconsideration, clarification, rescission, amendment, supersedeas or the like must be in writing and specify, in numbered

paragraphs, the findings or orders involved, and the points relied upon by petitioner, with appropriate record references and specific requests for the findings or orders desired.

(b) A copy of every petition covered by subsection (a) shall be served upon each party to the proceeding.

(c) Petitions for reconsideration, rehearing, reargument, clarification, supersedeas or others shall be filed within 10 days after the Authority order involved is entered or otherwise becomes final.

(d) Answers to a petition covered by subsection (a) shall be filed and served within 10 days after service of a petition.

(e) The filing of a petition as provided in this section will not act to toll any period of appeal related to judicial review of an agency action. The expiration of any such period of appeal without action by the Authority shall be deemed a denial of the petition by the Authority.

(f) Subsections (a)—(e) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.241 (relating to application for rehearing or reconsideration).

## **SUBCHAPTER I. REPORTS OF COMPLIANCE**

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### **§1005.41. Reports of compliance.**

(a) A person subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority who is required to do or perform an act by an Authority order, certificate, registration, driver's certificate or other right shall file with the Director a notice stating that the requirement has or has not been met or complied with.

(b) The notice shall be filed within 30 days following the date when the requirement becomes effective, unless the Authority, by regulation, by order or by making specific provision thereof in the certificate, registration, driver's certificate or other right provides otherwise for compliance or proof of compliance. The notice shall be accompanied by a verification in accordance with §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit).



(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.251 (relating to reports of compliance).

**§1005.42. Compliance with orders prescribing rates.**

(a) When the Authority makes a final decision concerning a rate filing and permits or requires the adoption of rates other than the rates originally filed, the certificate holder affected shall file, within 20 days of entry of the final order, a tariff revision consistent with the Authority's decision together with a proof of revenues and supporting calculations. The certificate holder shall simultaneously serve copies of the tariff revision, along with the proof of revenues and supporting calculations, on the parties in the proceeding. A utility may also be required to provide an electronic, red-lined copy of any filing made to assist the parties in promptly identifying and analyzing the filing.

(b) Unless otherwise specified in the order, the tariff revision shall be effective upon statutory notice to the Authority and to the public and, whether made effective on statutory notice or under authority granted in the order, shall bear under the effective date on the title page the following notation: "Filed in compliance with the order of Philadelphia Parking Authority, entered \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (date) at \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ (time).

(c) Exceptions to a tariff revision under this section may be filed by a party to the proceeding within 10 days of the date of service of the compliance filing, and shall be strictly limited in scope to the factual issue of alleged deviation from requirements of the Authority order. The utility making the compliance filing may respond to exceptions within 5 days. No further pleadings will be permitted.

(d) No rates contained in a tariff revision filed in compliance with an Authority order may be imposed prior to entry of a subsequent order by the Authority approving the compliance filing. Notwithstanding the filing of an exception, the Authority may allow the compliance rates to become effective.

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**§1005.45. Notice of taking appeal.**

When an appeal is taken from an order of the Authority to the Commonwealth Court, the appellant shall immediately give notice of the appeal to all parties to the Authority proceeding, the Clerk and the General Counsel, as provided by §1001.52 (relating to service by a party).

**§1005.46. Preparation and certification of records.**

A record will not be certified as complete until copies of exhibits or other papers have been furnished when necessary to complete the Authority file. Copies will be requested by the Authority.

**§1005.47. Certification of interlocutory orders.**

(a) When the Authority has made an order which is not a final order, a party may by motion request that the Authority find, and include the findings in the order by amendment, that the order involves a controlling question of law as to which there is a substantial ground for difference of opinion and that an immediate appeal to Commonwealth Court from the order may materially advance the ultimate termination of the matter. The motion shall be filed within 10 days after service of the order, and is procedurally governed by §1005.45 (relating to motions). Unless the Authority acts within 30 days after the filing of the motion, the motion will be deemed denied.

(b) Neither the filing of a motion under subsection (a), nor the adoption of an amended order containing the requested finding, will stay a proceeding unless otherwise ordered by the Authority or Commonwealth Court.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) supersede 1 Pa. Code §35.225 (relating to interlocutory orders).

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**§1011.1. Purpose.**

This subpart establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for taxicab service in Philadelphia.

**§1011.2. Definitions.**

The following words and terms, when used in this subpart, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Act*—The Act of July 16, 2004, P.L. 758, No. 94 (relating to the regulation of taxicabs and limousines in cities of the first class).

*Arrest*—Detaining, holding, or taking into custody by police or other law enforcement authorities to answer for an alleged commission of an offense.

*Call or demand service*—Local common carrier service for passengers, rendered on either an exclusive or a nonexclusive basis, where the service is characterized by the fact that passengers normally hire the vehicle and its driver either by telephone call or by hail, or both.

*Certificate*—A certificate of public convenience issued by the Authority pursuant to the act. The term shall not include a driver's certificate or broker registration.

*Certificate holder*—The person to whom a certificate is issued.

*Common carrier*—A common carrier by motor vehicle, as defined in 66 Pa.C.S. §102 (relating to definitions), transporting passengers.

*Controlling interest*—

(i) A controlling interest is an interest in a legal entity, applicant or certificate holder if a person's voting rights under state law or corporate articles or bylaws entitle the person to elect or appoint one or more of the members of the board of directors or other governing board or the ownership or beneficial holding of five percent or more of the securities of the corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity, unless this presumption of control or ability to elect is rebutted by clear and convincing evidence. A member, partner, director, or officer of a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity, is deemed to have a controlling interest.

(ii) A person who owns or beneficially holds less than five percent of the securities of a privately held domestic or foreign corporation, partnership, limited

liability company or other form of privately held legal entity shall be deemed as having rebutted the presumption of control by clear and convincing evidence.

*Conviction—*

(i) A finding of guilt or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere whether or not a judgment of sentence has been imposed as determined by the law of the jurisdiction in which the prosecution was held relating to any of the following:

(A) A felony.

(B) A crime involving moral turpitude.

(C) A crime requiring registration with the Pennsylvania State Police as provided in 42 Pa.C.S. §9795.1 (relating to registration) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(D) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(E) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 27 (relating to assault) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(F) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 29 (relating to kidnapping) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(G) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 31 (relating to sexual offenses) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(ii) A crime resulting in an order of Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition, prior to successful completion of the terms of the order.

(iii) Except as provided in subparagraph (i) and (ii), the term does not include a misdemeanor or summary conviction or any conviction that has been expunged or overturned or for which an individual has been pardoned.

*Crime involving moral turpitude—*A crime determined by the Authority to be consistent with the provisions of 22 Pa. Code 237.9 (relating to crimes of moral turpitude).

*Criminal history report—*The report issued by the Pennsylvania State Police, or similar government entity in a jurisdiction outside the Commonwealth, which will identify any convictions associated with an individual.

*Dispatcher—*The owner of a certificate of public convenience to operate a dispatching service in Philadelphia issued by the Authority pursuant to section

5711(c)(6) of the act (relating to power of authority to issue certificates of public convenience) and Chapter 1019 (relating to dispatchers).

*Director*—The Director of the Authority's Taxicab and Limousine Division as provided in §1003.52 (relating to TLD staffing generally).

*Dispatcher's certificate*—A certificate issued by the Authority to a dispatcher.

*Driver history report*—A driver's license report containing details about a driver's history including accidents and violations issued by a jurisdiction within the United States of America.

*Driver's license*—A license or permit to operate a motor vehicle issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation or similarly authorized government entity in another jurisdiction of the United States of America.

*Enforcement Department*—The department of the TLD created pursuant to §1003.54 (relating to Enforcement Department).

*Exclusive service*—Transportation on a given trip when the first or principal person, party or group hiring the vehicle has the exclusive right to determine where, when or if another passenger shall be carried on that trip.

*Federal tax identification number*—The Social Security number of an individual or the Employer Identification Number of a business entity, fiduciary or other person.

*Holding company*—A person, other than an individual, which, directly or indirectly, owns, has the power or right to control or to vote 20% or more of the outstanding voting securities of a corporation or other form of business organization. A holding company indirectly has, holds or owns any such power, right or security if it does so through an interest in a subsidiary or successive subsidiaries.

*Inspector*—Enforcement Department uniformed or non-uniformed staff assigned to investigate and enforce the act, this part and orders of the Authority who will be identifiable by an Authority issued badge number.

*Key employee*—An individual who is employed in a director or department head capacity and who is empowered to make discretionary decisions that affect the operations of an applicant, certificate holder, or other entity identified by the Authority.

*Manager of Administration*—The individual appointed to manage the Administration Department of the TLD as provided in §1003.52 (relating to TLD

staffing generally). The Manager of Administration may be contacted at TLD Headquarters or by email at TLDAdmin@philpark.org.

*Manager of Enforcement*—The individual named appointed to manage the Enforcement Department of the TLD as provided in §1003.54 (relating to Enforcement Department). The Manager of Enforcement may be contacted at TLD Headquarters or by email at TLDEnforcement@philpark.org.

*Medallion*—A piece of metal in a shape and with a color to be determined by the Authority which is to be affixed to a vehicle by Authority staff before that vehicle may provide citywide taxicab service.

*Medallion number*—The number assigned to and placed on a particular medallion by the Authority, pursuant to §1017.14 (relating to taxicab numbering).

*Medallion lienholder*—A person holding a duly recorded lien against a medallion as provided by section 5713 of the act (relating to property and licensing rights) and §1013.21 (relating to notice of medallion lien).

*Medallion taxicab*—A taxicab certified by the Authority to provide city-wide taxicab service and affixed with a medallion by the Authority as provided in §1013.2 (relating to attachment of a medallion) and section 5714(a) of the act (relating to certificate and medallion required).

*Moving violations*—Any debt owed the Commonwealth or one of its political subdivisions for violations of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S. §§101-9802), that is not under appeal.

*Proposed buyer*—The party seeking to acquire an ownership interest in a medallion or certificate, as the context provides.

*Parking violations*—Any debt owed to the City of Philadelphia related to a violation of the Philadelphia Traffic Code (12 Phila. Code §§100-3012), that is not under appeal.

*Partial-rights taxicab*—A taxicab authorized by the Authority to provide common carrier call or demand transportation of persons for compensation on a non-citywide basis, pursuant to §1015 (relating to partial-rights taxicabs) and sections 5711(c)(2) and 5714(d)(2) of the act (relating to power of Authority to issue certificates of public convenience; and certificate and medallion required).

*Regulated person*—A certificate holder, broker, taxicab driver, or other person subject to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

*Rights*—A certificate of public convenience, driver's certificate, broker registration or other authorization issued to a regulated party by the Authority pursuant to the act.

*Taxicab*—

(i) A motor vehicle designed for carrying no more than eight passengers, exclusive of the driver, as defined in section 5701 of the act (relating to definitions) and certified by the Authority pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(ii) Unless the context indicates otherwise, the term includes partial-rights taxicabs, medallion taxicabs and wheelchair accessible taxicabs.

*Taxicab and Limousine Division or TLD*—The division of the Authority comprised of staff assigned to implement the purposes of the act, this part and the orders of the Authority.

*Taxicab certificate*—A certificate issued by the Authority authorizing the holder to provide taxicab service pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the term includes medallion taxicab certificates and partial-rights taxicab certificates.

*Taxicab driver*—The individual to whom a current and valid taxicab driver's certificate has been issued by the Authority pursuant to section 5706 of the act (relating to driver certification program).

*Taxicab driver's certificate*—The original photographic identification card issued by the Authority which confirms that an individual has complied with Chapter 1021 (relating to taxicab drivers) and is authorized to provide taxicab service pursuant to section 5706 of the act.

*Taxicab service*—The transportation of passengers or offering to transport passengers in a taxicab as a common carrier call or demand service in Philadelphia. The term includes the stopping, standing or parking of a taxicab in a taxicab stand line or other location commonly used by the public to access taxicabs. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the term shall include both partial-rights taxicabs and medallion taxicabs.

*TLD Headquarters*—The office of the Taxicab and Limousine Division identified on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). Unless specifically provided otherwise, communications with any Authority staff member shall be directed to TLD Headquarters.

*Transfer fee*.—The fee paid to the Authority for its review of a sale application as provided in §1027 (relating to sale of rights).



*Trial counsel*—An attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania who is assigned to the Office of Trial Counsel to prosecute complaints on behalf of the Authority as provided in §1003.55 (relating to Office of Trial Counsel).

*Wheelchair accessible taxicab*—A taxicab that can accommodate at least one person in a wheelchair without the person having to transfer from the wheelchair to another seat and that meets requirements established by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336, 104 Stat. 327) or requirements that are a functional equivalent and approved by the Authority.

### **§1011.3. Annual rights renewal process.**

(a) *Expiration of certificate.* All rights will expire annually, including the following:

- (1) A certificate will expire on June 30 of each year.
- (2) A taxicab driver's certificate will expired one year from its date of issuance or renewal.
- (3) A broker registration will expire on June 30 of each year.
- (4) All other rights, including waivers issued as provided in §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations), will expire one year from the date of issuance or as otherwise provided by order at the time of issuance.

(b) *Expired rights.*

- (1) Expired rights will be placed out of service and cancelled by the Authority as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).
- (2) Taxicab driver certificates that have been expired for 1 year or more will be deemed cancelled.

(c) *Renewal forms.*

- (1) Rights issued by the Authority must be renewed by completing and filing the required renewal form with the Director. Renewal forms may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld) or from TLD Headquarters.
- (2) The renewal forms may require the submission of additional information or documents in order to confirm continuing eligibility pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(3) The renewal forms must be verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and filed as follows:

(A) For medallion taxicab certificates, Form TX-1 "Medallion Renewal" must be filed on or before February 15 of each year.

(B) For partial-rights taxicab certificates, Form PR-1 "Partial Rights Renewal" must be filed on or before February 15 of each year.

(C) For dispatcher certificates, Form DSP-6 "Dispatcher Renewal" must be filed on or before February 15 of each year.

(D) For taxicab drivers' certificates, Form DR-3 "Driver Renewal" must be filed 60 days before the expiration date printed on the taxicab driver's certificate.

(E) For broker registrations, a Form BR-4 "Broker Renewal" must be filed on or before February 15 of each year.

(d) *Renewal denial.* The Authority will deny renewal of rights in the following circumstances:

(1) If the owner of the rights subject to renewal fails to complete the renewal process.

(2) The renewal process reveals information about the renewing person or those with a controlling interest in the renewing person that would have resulted in a denial of an initial application for the rights.

(3) The renewing person fails to comply with §1011.4 (relating to annual assessments and renewal fees).

(e) *Suspended rights.* Rights subject to suspension for any reason must be renewed on the dates and in the manner provided by this section regardless of the suspended status.

#### **§1011.4. Annual assessments and renewal fees.**

(a) *Assessments and renewal fees.* The owners of rights issued by the Authority shall pay an annual assessment or renewal fee in an amount established each year pursuant to section 5707(b) of the act (relating to budget and fees) and as set forth in the Authority's annual fee schedule as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fees schedule).

(b) *Payment of assessments by certificate holders.* Except as provided in subsection (c), the annual assessment for certificate holders is due on or before June 15 of each year.

(c) *Installment payments.* Upon request by a taxicab certificate holder through the annual renewal form required by §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process), the Director may permit certificate holders to pay the assessment in two equal installments on or before June 15 and December 15 of each year, as limited by subsections (d) and (e).

(d) *Assessment payment by appointment.*

(1) In person appointments to pay annual assessments may be scheduled by the Director anytime after the renewal form is filed. If the certificate holder fails to appear at the scheduled appointment, the certificate holder will be charged a rescheduling fee as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule), in addition to any penalty entered against the certificate holder.

(2) The scheduled appointment will become the new due date for the installment assessment payment.

(3) The Authority will provide notice of assessment payment appointments as provided in §1001.51 (relating to service by Authority).

(e) *Eligibility.* A certificate will be ineligible for assessment installment payments if the certificate holder or any person having a controlling interest in the certificate holder has done any of the following in the previous five years:

(1) Failed to pay an assessment to the Authority on schedule.

(2) Failed to begin and complete the annual rights renewal process on schedule.

(3) Been subject to suspension or cancellation of any rights issued by the Authority pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(f) *Payment of renewal fees by taxicab drivers.* The annual renewal fee for taxicab drivers is due with the filing of the DR-3 as provide in §1011.3 (c)(3)(D).

(g) *Payment of renewal fees by brokers.* The annual renewal fee for brokers is due with the filing of the BR-4 as provide in §1011.3 (c)(3)(E).

(h) *Late assessment or renewal fee payments.*

(1) A regular assessment or renewal fee payment will be considered late if not paid before 3 p.m. on the day it is due.

(2) An installment assessment payment will be considered late if not paid at the appointed time and date for payment.

(3) Rights issued by the Authority will expire at the time an assessment payment becomes late and will be immediately placed out of service by the Authority in as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).

**§1011.5. Ineligibility due to conviction or arrest.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e), a person is ineligible to own any interest in any right issued by the Authority if the person, or a person having a controlling interest in the person or a key employee, has been subject to a conviction as defined in §1011.2 (relating to definitions) in the past five years and for six months from the date the convicted person completes the sentence imposed, including incarceration, probation, parole and other forms of supervised release.

(b) In the event a regulated party owning a transferable right becomes ineligible to hold rights issued by the Authority due to a conviction, the regulated party shall immediately cease use of the rights and shall initiate the sale of the rights to an eligible person as provided in Chapter 1027 (relating to sale of rights) within 180 days of the conviction.

(c) A regulated party shall inform the Director within 72 hours of being subject to an arrest or conviction as defined by §1011.2 (relating to definitions).

(d) In the event a criminal prosecution is initiated against a regulated party for a crime that may lead to a conviction as defined in §1011.2, the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel may initiate a formal complaint against the regulated party as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) and seek the immediate suspension of rights pending the conclusion of the criminal proceedings.

(e) A person subject to an order of Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition shall be ineligible to own any interest in any right issued by the Authority until the terms of the order have been completed.

**§1011.6. Fleet program.**

(a) The Authority will maintain a fleet program to assist taxicab certificate holders with the process of accurately transferring liability for Philadelphia parking violations from the owner of the vehicle to the taxicab driver assigned to the vehicle when the parking violation was issued.

(b) Each taxicab certificate holder engaged in the leasing of a taxicab to a taxicab driver shall enroll in the Authority's fleet program. Information related to

enrollment and an enrollment application may be obtained from the Authority at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

**§1011.7. Payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes.**

(a) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall pay all assessments, fees, penalties, and other payments due to the Authority pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority on schedule, unless the matter related to the payment is under appeal.

(b) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall remain current on the payment of parking violations and moving violations, unless the violation is under appeal.

(c) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall remain current on the payment of taxes due to the Commonwealth or City of Philadelphia, unless under appeal.

(d) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall hold and maintain a Business Privilege License issued by the City of Philadelphia and present a copy of the license to the Authority for inspection upon demand.

(e) For purposes of this section regulated persons and applicants includes those with a controlling interest in the regulated person or applicant, or both, and key employees.

**§1011.8. Facility inspections.**

(a) All certificate holders and brokers shall make their operating locations available for inspection by the Authority. A facility inspection may be made without prior notice.

**§1011.9. Taxicab service limitations.**

(a) Only the following individuals may provide taxicab service:

- (1) The owner, if the owner is a taxicab driver.
- (2) An employee of the certificate holder who is a taxicab driver.
- (3) A taxicab driver who leases the taxicab directly from the certificate holder.

(b) A certificate holder shall supervise its taxicab to make certain that only those taxicab drivers authorized by this section provide taxicab service.

#### **§1011.10. Discrimination in service.**

A regulated person may not refuse service to a member of the public on the basis of gender, sexual orientation, race, religious preference, nationality, age, point of origin, point of destination or to a person with a disability.

#### **§1011.11. Record retention.**

(a) Certificate holders and brokers shall maintain for five years all records required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, or otherwise kept in the ordinary course of business, in the English language and in a format capable of being easily produced to the Authority.

(b) Both paper and electronic records must be maintained in chronological order by date and time of day.

(c) Paper records required by this section must be stored in dry areas protected by a fire suppression system.

(d) Electronic records required by this section must be routinely copied and stored at a location that is separate by at least one mile from the office where the record originated.

(e) A regulated party shall produce records maintained pursuant to subsection (a) to the Authority upon request. In the event the records require a special form of software to search or interpret, a regulated party shall make that software available to the Authority.

#### **§1011.12. Aiding or abetting violations.**

A person may not aid, abet, encourage or require a regulated party to violate the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

#### **§1011.13. Interruptions of service.**

(a) An interruption of service by a common carrier for more than 48 hours shall be reported to the Director in writing within 72 hours of the beginning of the service interruption. The written statement must include the cause of interruption and its probable duration.

(b) An interruption of service by a dispatcher for more than 30 minutes shall be reported to the Director in writing within two hours of the beginning of the service interruption. The written statement must include the cause of interruption and its probable duration.

(c) Suspension of service by a common carrier for five consecutive days without notice to the Authority will be deemed sufficient cause for cancellation of the rights of the common carrier, except if the suspension is caused by strike or labor difficulties, riot, insurrection, war, government decrees, an act of God or other good cause shown.

(d) Suspension of service by a dispatcher for six consecutive hours without notice to the Authority will be deemed sufficient cause for cancellation of the dispatcher's certificate, except if the suspension is caused by strike or labor difficulties, riot, insurrection, war, government decrees, an act of God or other good cause shown.

(e) An order of cancellation entered pursuant to this section will not be issued until the certificate holder is given opportunity for a public hearing on a formal complaint as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) as to why the rights should not be cancelled.

#### **§1011.14. Voluntary suspension of certificate.**

(a) A certificate holder may place a certificate in a voluntary state of suspension in order to avoid penalties for violation of §1011.13 (relating to interruptions of service) subject to the prior approval of the Director who may, in his sole or peculiar discretion as he deems appropriate, attach such conditions as he may find to be necessary or proper.

(b) A certificate may be placed in voluntary suspended status after a report is issued as provided in §1011.13.

(c) A certificate may not be placed in voluntary suspended status for more than one year.

(d) A medallion may only be placed in a voluntarily suspended status for 90 days.

(e) The Authority will not grant an application for voluntary suspension if the approval will result in a reduction of five percent or more of the aggregate number of authorized medallion taxicabs in Philadelphia.

(f) To request approval from the Authority for the voluntary suspension of a certificate, the certificate holder must file a completed CPC-1 "Voluntary Suspension Application" with the Director and pay the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule). The CPC-1 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(g) Before a CPC-1 is granted a certificate holder must be in compliance with §1011.7 (regarding payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes) and

pay the entire Authority assessment that will come due during the proposed period of voluntary suspension.

**§1011.15. Death or incapacitation of a certificate holder or certain persons with controlling interest.**

(a) *Definitions.* The following words and terms, when used in this section, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Incapacitation*—A determination by a court that an individual is incapacitated as provided in 20 Pa.C.S. §5511, or for non-Pennsylvania residents, a substantially similar order from a court of competent jurisdiction.

(b) *Death or incapacitation of an individual certificate holder.*

(1) Upon the death or incapacitation of an individual certificate holder, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder for six months.

(2) The legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder shall immediately begin the process of finding a qualified person to buy the certificate as provided in Chapter 1027 (relating to sale of rights), including the use of a broker or attorney. Nothing in this section will prohibit the legal representative from buying the certificate.

(3) In the event an SA-1 for the certificate is not duly filed, as provided in §1027.6 (relating to applications for sale of transferable rights), within 90 days of the date the certificate holder died or was declared incapacitated, the certificate will be placed out of service as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation) and may be cancelled upon determination of a formal complaint filed by the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel.

(4) In the event an SA-1 for the certificate is duly filed within 90 days of the date the certificate holder died or was declared incapacitated, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder for the duration of the SA-1 review period and through closing on the sale.

(c) *Death, incapacitation or dissolution of certain persons with controlling interest in a certificate.*

(1) Upon the death, incapacitation or dissolution of a person that owns five percent or more of the certificate holder's securities, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the certificate holder for three months.



(2) The certificate holder shall immediately begin the process of finding a qualified person to buy the securities of the certificate holder referenced in paragraph (1) as provided in Chapter 1027, including the use of a broker or attorney. Nothing in this section will prohibit the certificate holder from acquiring the securities of the person referenced in paragraph (1).

(3) In the event an SA-1 for the sale of the securities referenced in paragraph (1) is not duly filed as provided in §1027.5 within six months of the date of the person's death, incapacitation or dissolution, the certificate will be placed out of service as provided in §1003.12 and may be cancelled upon determination of a formal complaint filed by the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel.

(4) In the event an SA-1 for the sale of the securities referenced in paragraph (1) is duly filed, as provided in §1027.6 (relating to applications for sale of transferable rights), within six months of the date of the person's death, incapacitation or dissolution, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue for the duration of the SA-1 review period and through closing on the sale.

*(c) Ineligibility of successor or legal representative.*

This section may not be interpreted to permit the operation or use of Authority rights by a person otherwise prohibited from the ability to receive Authority rights. For example, the executor of the estate on a deceased individual certificate holder who would be ineligible to possess Authority rights as provided in §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest), may not operate or supervise the operation of the rights conferred by the certificate.

#### **§ 1011.16. Power of successors by law.**

(a) If a trustee, receiver, assignee, custodian or similar officer or officers is appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction, or is selected by creditors in accordance with provisions of law, with authority to take or retain possession and to operate the property and business of a certificate holder, the officer shall have authority to perform the service authorized in the certificate of the debtor certificate holder for a period of 90 days from his appointment or selection.

(b) The appointed officer may petition the Authority for authorization to exercise the rights conferred by the certificate for an additional period of time, and the Authority may, for good cause shown, grant authority.

(c) If the petition is filed within 60 days of the appointment or selection of the petitioner, the appointed officer shall have authority to exercise the rights conferred by the certificate pending a decision by the Authority on the petition. Pertinent orders or decrees of the court having jurisdiction may be deemed cause for the granting of petitions by the Authority.

**§1011.17. Limitations.**

Operations covered by §§1011.15 and 1011.16 (relating to death or incapacitation of a certificate holder or certain persons with controlling interest; and power of successors by law) are subject to the terms and conditions of the certificate of public convenience and may not be conducted without full compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including insurance coverage.

**§1011.18. Application review generally.**

Application for rights required by this subpart will be reviewed as provided in §1003.30 (relating to applications generally).

**§1011.19. Exclusive and non-exclusive service.**

Taxciabs may transport persons on request, on an exclusive basis, or on a nonexclusive basis.

**§1011.20. Noninterference with scheduled service.**

When offering nonexclusive taxicab service, owners and drivers of vehicles shall be prohibited from permitting or causing the taxicab to be operated on a fixed time schedule over a route of a scheduled route carrier or a public transit system so as to pass specific points in a regular manner, at regular intervals, for the purpose of picking up passengers unless that route is not then in operation. The purpose of this paragraph is to prohibit taxciab operations from interfering with scheduled service.

**§1011.21. Service in unauthorized territory.**

Taxicab service between points outside authorized territory may not be validated by the subterfuge of routing the taxicab through authorized territory. A certificate holder or taxicab driver may not attempt to evade operating rights restrictions by encouraging or causing the passengers to make a theoretical or actual fare-paying break in a trip by routing it through authorized territory.

# CHAPTER 1013. MEDALLION TAXICABS.

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## SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL REQUIRMENTS.

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### **§1013.1. Certificate and medallion required.**

A vehicle may not provide city-wide taxicab service unless a current and valid certificate is issued by the Authority to the owner of the vehicle and the medallion assigned to that certificate is attached to the vehicle.

### **§1013.2. Attachment of a medallion.**

Only the Enforcement Department may attach a medallion to a vehicle. Prior to attaching the medallion, the Authority will inspect the vehicle, as provided in §1017.2 (relating to pre-service inspection).

### **§1013.3. Removal of a medallion.**

(a) A medallion may only be removed from a vehicle by the Authority, or upon advance written approval from the Authority, by the medallion owner.

(b) Upon removal from a vehicle, the medallion shall be held by the Authority for safe keeping until attachment of the medallion is scheduled with the Authority as provided in §1013.2 (relating to removal of a medallion). If removed by the medallion owner, the medallion must be delivered to the Authority within two business days after removal.

#### **§1013.4. Medallion renewal.**

- (a) A medallion will clearly display the calendar year or years in which it is valid.
- (b) The Authority will schedule each medallion taxicab then in compliance with the act, this part and all orders of the Authority to have its expiring medallion removed and a new medallion attached before December 31 of the year preceding the earliest year displayed on the new medallion.

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#### **§1013.21. Notice of medallion lien.**

A person who accepts a medallion as security shall file its lien in accordance with 13 Pa.C.S. §1101 *et seq.* (relating to commercial code). No notice or filing with the Authority of medallion liens is required.

#### **§1013.22. Execution on and seizure of a medallion.**

(a) If a medallion lienholder executes on or seizes a medallion, it shall notify the Director of all particulars, in writing, within five days of taking the action. Any seized medallion must be delivered to the Authority and will be held by the Authority pending further disposition.

(b) A medallion must be sold within one year of seizure or execution as provided in sections 5713 and 5718 of the act (relating to property and licensing rights; and restrictions) and Chapter 1027 (relating to sale of rights).

(c) A medallion that is not sold pursuant to subsection (b) will be nontransferable and will become the property of the Authority.

#### **§1013.23. Invalidation upon execution or seizure.**

(a) The execution or seizure of a medallion shall invalidate the medallion for purposes of providing taxicab service.

(b) Upon reclaiming a medallion from execution or seizure, a certificate holder shall petition the Director for an order reversing the invalidation imposed by this

section. The petition must be filed with the Clerk and be in a form consistent with §1005.16 (relating to petitions generally).

(c) The petition for validation of a medallion shall be granted by the Director upon determination that the certificate holder and the relevant medallion are in compliance with the act, this part and all orders of the Authority.

(d) Determinations of the Director may be appealed as provided in §1005.19 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff).

## **CHAPTER 1015.**

### **PARTIAL RIGHTS TAXICABS.**

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#### **§1015.1. Purpose.**

(a) This chapter establishes and prescribes certain Authority regulations and procedures for partial-rights taxicab service in Philadelphia.

(b) Due to the substantially similar nature of service provided within Philadelphia by partial-rights and medallion taxicabs, most regulations related to taxicab service in Philadelphia do not differentiate between medallion taxicabs and partial-rights taxicabs.

#### **§1015.2. Certificate required.**

(a) A person may not operate a vehicle as a partial-rights taxicab in Philadelphia unless a certificate of public convenience conferring such rights is issued by the Authority to that person.

(b) Each vehicle operated as a partial-rights taxicab must be registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in the name of the owner of the partial-rights certificate.

**§1015.3. New or additional rights restricted.**

- (a) The Authority will not issue a new certificate of public convenience to provide partial-rights taxicab service in Philadelphia.
- (b) The Authority will not issue additional or expanded rights to existing partial-rights taxicab certificate holders.
- (c) Upon the cancellation, surrender, or other final termination of a partial rights taxicab certificate, the Authority will not issue a new certificate to continue the service provided under the terminated certificate.
- (d) The number of taxicabs that may be operated by a partial-rights certificate holder may not exceed the number duly registered by the certificate holder with the Authority on November 1, 2010.

**§1015.4. Partial-rights certificate holders.**

- (a) The partial-rights taxicab certificate holders certified by the Authority are as follows:

- (1) Germantown Cab Company, Certificate No. 1011748-02.
- (2) Bucks County Services, Inc., Certificate No. 1011752-02.
- (3) Concord Limousine, Inc., Certificate No. 1016120-05.
- (4) Concord Coach USA, Inc., Certificate No. 1015925-05.
- (5) Dee Dee Cab, Inc., Certificate No. 1017611-02.
- (6) MCT Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Montco Suburban Taxi, Certificate No. 1015570-05.

- (b) The Philadelphia geographical boundaries within which each partial-rights certificate holder is permitted to provide taxicab service through the Authority were originally created by the PUC and continue through the Authority as follows:

- (1) Germantown Cab Company: To transport, as a common carrier, by motor vehicle, persons upon call or demand between points in the city of Philadelphia, bounded by School House Lane, Church Lane, Wister Street, Stenton Avenue, Northwestern Avenue, Ridge Avenue, Manatawanna Avenue, Hagys Mill Road, Port Royal Avenue, Cross Street, Shawmont Avenue, Umbria Street, Parker Avenue, Ridge Avenue, Walnut Lane, Wissahickon Avenue to points of beginning: and that portion of Whitemarsh Township, Montgomery County,

bounded as follows: beginning on Ridge Pike; at the Springfield Township Line, northwest on Ridge Pike to Butler Pike, northeast on Butler Pike to the Whitemarsh Township Line, southeast along the Whitemarsh Township Line to Bethlehem Pike, south on Bethlehem Pike to Valley Green Road, northeast on Valley Green Road to the Whitemarsh Township Line, southwest along the Whitemarsh Township Line to Ridge Pike; and that portion of Springfield Township, Montgomery County, bounded as follows: beginning at the Springfield Township Line and Mermaid Lane, southwest on Mermaid Lane to Stenton Avenue, northwest on Stenton Avenue to the Springfield Township Line, northeast, southeast, southwest and southeast along the Springfield Township Line to Mermaid Lane; and from points in the said area to points outside the area and vice versa.

(2) Bucks County Services, Inc.: To transport, as a common carrier: South and east along Pennypack Creek in the city and county of Philadelphia, to the Delaware River, thence north along the Delaware River to the Bucks County Line in Bensalem Township, Bucks County:

(3) Concord Limousine, Inc. T/D/B/A CONCORD COACH TAXI: To transport as a common carrier by motor vehicle, persons upon call or demand: In that part of the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, beginning at the intersection of City Line Avenue and 52nd Street, thence continuing south along Wynnefield Avenue to Belmont Avenue. Thence south along Belmont Avenue to its intersection with Montgomery Avenue, thence continuing in an easterly direction along Montgomery Avenue until the same intersects with the Schuylkill River, thence continuing in a northerly direction to City Line Avenue and the place of beginning; all transportation to be upon call by telephone to the carrier's office.

(4) Concord Coach USA, Inc. T/D/B/A BENNETT CAB SERVICE: To transport as a common carrier, persons, upon call or demand: In that portion of the City and County of Philadelphia bounded by City Line, 57th Street, Columbia Avenue, Lebanon Avenue, Haverford Avenue, Lansdowne Avenue, and Cobbs Creek; and that portion of the Borough of Narberth and the township of Lower Merion, Montgomery County, as bounded by Montgomery Avenue, Merion Road (Merion Avenue), City Line Avenue and Wynnewood Road (Wynnewood Avenue), and on City Line Avenue between 52nd Street and Haverford Road;

(5) Dee Dee Cab, Inc. T/D/B/A PENN-DEL: To transport, as a common carrier, persons, upon call or demand: Within that area of the City of Philadelphia bounded on the north by Lancaster Avenue, on the east by 56th Street, on the south by Grays Avenue (Grays Ferry Avenue), and on the west by the city limits;

(6) MCT Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Montco Suburban Taxi: Between points in the part of Philadelphia bounded by the Philadelphia-Montgomery County line (Northwestern Avenue), Schuylkill River, School Lane, Church Lane, Wister Street, Stenton Avenue, Vernon Road, Cheltenham Avenue, Cresheim Street and

Stenton Avenue and between points in the townships of Whitemarsh and Springfield, Montgomery County, all transportation to be in answer to calls made either in person or by telephone at the certificate holder's stand located at the Chestnut Hill Station of the Pennsylvania Railroad. In that portion of the counties of Philadelphia and Montgomery bounded on the west of Germantown Avenue and the Germantown and Perkiomen Turnpike; on the south by Mt. Airy Avenue and Easton Road; on the east by eastern township lines of Springfield and Whitemarsh Townships, Montgomery County; and on the north by Whitemarsh Township line; provided that all calls for said service must be received at a stand located at the Gulf Station situated at the northeast corner of Germantown Avenue and the Bethlehem Pike in the city of Philadelphia

(c) Each taxicab owned by a partial-rights certificate holder must be associated with the same dispatcher.

#### **§1015.5. Partial-rights taxicab numbers.**

(a) Each partial rights company shall submit a Form PR-1 "Partial-rights Taxicabs in Operation" to the Authority on the first business day of each month. A Form PR-1 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). The Form PR-1 must include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) The taxicab number assigned to each taxicab pursuant to §1017.14 (relating to taxicab numbering).

(2) The Vehicle Identification Number assigned to the vehicle at the time it was manufactured.

(3) A list of the taxicab drivers then permitted to operate the certificate holder's partial-rights taxicabs.

## **CHAPTER 1017. VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

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## SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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### **§1017.1 Purpose.**

(a) This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures related to the condition, type, and inspection of taxicabs and equipment used to provide taxicab service in Philadelphia.

(b) The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Antique vehicle*—A motor vehicle, but not a reproduction thereof, that is 25 years old or older as provided in §1017.3 (a) (relating to taxicab age parameters), which has been maintained in or restored to a condition, which is substantially in conformance with manufacturer specifications.

*Compliance inspection*—The inspection of a taxicab or taxicab equipment, or both, by the Authority to assure compliance with the act, this part and orders of the Authority, which will include all of the components of a state inspection, except that emissions testing will not occur. Anytime the inspection of a taxicab, a meter, or other taxicab service related equipment is required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority it will be a compliance inspection.

*Field inspection*—The unscheduled inspection of a taxicab by an Inspector for compliance with the act, this part and all orders of the Authority.

*Hybrid vehicle*—Any motor vehicle that allows power to be delivered to the drive wheels by a non-gasoline energy sources, but which also incorporates the

use of a gasoline combustion engine and which meets the applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. The primary source of power for the motor must be the non-gasoline energy source.

*TLD Inspection Sticker*—A certificate of inspection issued and affixed by the Enforcement Department to a vehicle subject to this part upon confirmation of compliance with the act, this part or orders of the Authority after a compliance inspection.

*State inspection*.—The annual inspection required by 75 Pa.C.S. Chapter 47 (relating to inspection of vehicles).

### **§1017.2. Pre-service inspection.**

A vehicle may not perform taxicab service without a TLD Inspection Sticker as provided in §1017.32 (relating to TLD inspection sticker required).

### **§1017.3. Taxicab age parameters.**

(a) *Method of age computation*. The age of a taxicab will be determined by comparing its model year to the current model year. A model year begins on the first day of each October. For example, a taxicab with a model year of 2008 would be four years old on October 1, 2012.

(b) *Taxicabs generally*.

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) and subsection (c):

(A) A taxicab that is five years old or older is not eligible for inspection as provided in §1017.31 (relating to bi-annual inspections by the Authority) and must be removed from taxicab service prior to the date of the next scheduled bi-annual inspection.

(B) A vehicle may not be introduced for service as a taxicab, or reenter service after having been removed from taxicab service by the certificate holder if the age of the vehicle is one year old or older.

(2) The Director may authorize the operation of antique vehicles as taxicabs upon review of a petition for waiver as provided in §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations).

(c) *Wheelchair accessible taxicabs and hybrid vehicles*.

(1) A taxicab that is wheelchair accessible or a hybrid vehicle, or both, that is eight years old or older is not eligible for inspection as provided in §1017.31

(relating to bi-annual inspections by the Authority) and must be removed from taxicab service prior to the date of the next scheduled bi-annual inspection.

(2) A taxicab that is wheelchair accessible or a hybrid vehicle, or both, may not be introduced for service as a taxicab, or reenter service after having been removed from taxicab service by the certificate holder, if it is three years old or older.

#### **§1017.4. Taxicab mileage parameters.**

(a) *Mileage at vehicle introduction.* A vehicle may not be first introduced for taxicab service with a cumulative mileage registered on the odometer as follows:

(1) For a taxicab, 15,000 miles or more.

(2) For a taxicab that is wheelchair accessible or a hybrid vehicle, or both, 35,000 miles or more.

(b) *Maximum mileage.* A taxicab is not eligible for inspection as provided in §1017.31 (relating to bi-annual inspections by the Authority) and must be removed from taxicab service prior to the date of the next scheduled inspection when the cumulative mileage registered on the odometer is as follows:

(1) For a taxicab, 200,000 miles or more.

(2) For a taxicab that is a wheelchair accessible or a hybrid vehicle, or both, 300,000 miles or more.

(c) *Imputed mileage.*

(1) A vehicle with an odometer reading that differs from the number of miles the vehicle has actually traveled or that has had a prior history involving the disconnection or malfunctioning of an odometer or which appears to the Authority to have an inaccurate odometer reading based on prior inspection records, will be assigned an imputed mileage equal to 3,333 miles per month from the last reliable odometer recording through the date of inspection. If a reliable baseline odometer reading can not be ascertained, the vehicle may not be introduced for service or continue in service as a taxicab.

(2) Except for taxicabs that are wheelchair accessible or hybrid vehicles, or both, if a taxicab is presented for inspection as provided in §1017.31 with a cumulative mileage registered on the odometer that will reach or exceed 200,000 during the two months immediately following the inspection date based on the imputed mileage calculations of paragraph (1), the taxicab will not be eligible for inspection and must be removed from taxicab service.

(d) *Reporting of odometer malfunctions.* A certificate holder or taxicab driver who knows or suspects that the odometer reading of a taxicab differs from the number of miles the taxicab has actually traveled shall disclose that status to the Enforcement Department immediately.

(e) *Penalties.* A person determined to have intentionally manipulated or disconnected the odometer of a taxicab will be subject to a \$1,000 fine and a cancellation of rights issued by the Authority, or both.

#### **§1017.5. Basic vehicle standards.**

(a) *State vehicle standards.* In addition to standards required by the act, this part and orders of the Authority, a taxicab shall continually satisfy the applicable Department of Transportation equipment inspection standards stated in 67 Pa. Code Chapter 175 (relating to vehicle equipment and inspection) when providing taxicab service, except where those standards are exceeded or otherwise altered by this subpart.

(b) *Standard taxicab vehicle requirements.* Each taxicab is subject to the following requirements:

(1) A taxicab must have four functioning doors which comply with the standards provided in 67 Pa. Code Chapter 175 (relating to vehicle equipment and inspection), which must have the following properly aligned, installed and maintained components:

(i) Hinges.

(ii) Door gaskets and doorway padding.

(iii) Latches.

(iv) Doors that open without resistance and close securely.

(v) Functioning door locks operable by the passenger.

(2) A taxicab must utilize the services of a dispatcher approved by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 1019 (relating to dispatchers) and all dispatch related equipment must function properly.

(3) A taxicab must be equipped with an operable two-way radio and a mobile data terminal connected to a dispatch radio system approved by the Authority.

(4) Except as provided in paragraph (5), the taxicab must have a functioning dome light firmly affixed to its roof. The dome light must be lit when the vehicle is available for service. The dome light must comply with the approved design

submitted by the taxicab's certified dispatcher pursuant to §1019.7 (relating to name, colors and markings review).

(5) A rooftop-advertising panel with ends that illuminate to indicate when the taxicab is available for service may be used in lieu of the dome light.

(6) A taxicab must display the Authority's uniform taxicab rates proscribed pursuant to Chapter 1023 (relating to taxicab rates).

(7) A taxicab must be equipped with handgrips in the passenger compartment for use while entering or exiting the vehicle.

(8) A taxicab must be equipped with working seatbelts for every passenger and the driver.

(9) A taxicab must have four full sized tires which continuously meet or exceed the applicable standards of 67 Pa.Code §175.80 (relating to inspection procedure) and otherwise comply with the Authority's tire requirements, which include the following:

(i) Snow tires or all-weather tires on the drive wheels between October 1 and April 1.

(ii) A full sized and usable spare tire that complies with the standards of this section is properly stored in the taxicab.

(iii) Properly affixed and matching hubcaps or wheel covers for all four tires.

(10) A taxicab may not use re-tread tires.

(11) The taxicab must have a trunk or storage area large enough to accommodate a folded manual wheelchair.

(12) A taxicab must be equipped with a protective shield which separates the front seat from the back seat and bears the manufacturer's name, as provided in section 5714 (b) of the act (relating to certificate and medallion required). The protective shield must meet the following minimum requirements:

(i) The upper portion of the shield must extend from the top of the front seat to a point not more than three inches from the ceiling of the vehicle and must be constructed of a clear, see-through, bullet-resistant material.

(ii) The shield must have either a sliding window controlled by the vehicle operator and capable of being locked by the driver or a payment exchange cup or tray or similar device which allows the operator to receive payment from

passengers in the back seat of the vehicle without unduly exposing the vehicle operator to danger.

(iii) The upper portion of the shield may not obstruct the vehicle operator's view of the road to the rear of the vehicle.

(iv) The lower portion of the shield must extend the full length of the front seat and shall be constructed of a bullet-resistant material.

(v) Both the upper and lower portions of the shield must extend from a point flush with the left-hand side of the vehicle across the vehicle to a point flush with the right-hand side of the vehicle.

(vii) The shield may not have an edge or projection protruding into the area where a passenger or driver will sit or move.

(vi) The lower portion of the shield must be installed in a manner which complies with the legroom requirements of paragraph (2).

(vii) The shield must be installed in a manner which does not prevent voice communication between the vehicle operator and passengers in the vehicle.

(viii) The shield must be installed in a manner which allows heat and air conditioning to maintain the taxicab's temperature at levels required by paragraph (19).

(ix) The shield must be sufficiently transparent to allow a passenger to easily read the meter and the taxicab driver's certificate.

(13) A taxicab must be equipped with a meter approved for use as provided in §1017.23 (relating to approved meters) and may not be equipped with a device that has the capability of allowing the meter to register a non-approved rate.

(14) A taxicab may not be equipped with a push bumper.

(15) The interior, exterior and trunk compartment of a taxicab must be clean so as to present a positive appearance and to prevent possible transfer of dirt, dust, grease, paint or other markings to a passenger's clothing or luggage.

(16) Spare tires in the trunk must be covered.

(17) A taxicab's passenger seats may not be torn have protruding springs or other material capable of tearing a passenger's skin or clothing. Passenger seat tears must be properly repaired and may not be mended with tape.

(18) A taxicab's interior must consist of matching features, including door panels.

(19) Except upon a passenger's request to the contrary, the passenger area of a taxicab must remain a constant temperature between 60 and 78 degrees Fahrenheit. While in a taxi-stand line, a taxicab is exempt from this temperature requirement until it reaches the position of first, second or third vehicle from the front of the line.

(20) A taxicab must be free of objectionable odors. For example, a taxicab may not smell like urine, feces, animals, insects, decomposing organisms, poor human hygiene or garbage.

(21) A taxicab's passenger compartment must contain at least two seats with space that measures 28 inches or more from the back of the passenger's seats to any barrier in front of it.

(22) A taxicab must contain a legible commercially produced map of the City of Philadelphia for use by the taxicab driver.

(23) A taxicab's exterior paint must be in good repair and consistent with the colors and markings of the taxicab's dispatcher and the exterior of the vehicle shall be free of damage.

(24) In addition to other postings required by this subpart, a taxicab must have posted in the passenger compartment in a place easily observed by passengers, the following information:

(i) A prohibition against smoking, eating, and drinking while in the taxicab.

(ii) The rates for service, in a format prescribed by the Authority.

(iii) The availability of non-cash payment options.

(iv) The list of Passengers' Rights issued by the Authority.

(v) Information on how to submit a taxicab service related complaint to the Authority in both written English and Braille.

(vi) The taxicab's dispatcher and the number assigned to the taxicab pursuant to §1017.14 (relating to taxicab numbering).

(25) The Authority may require the installation of a separate heating and air conditioning system in a taxicab if necessary to comply with paragraph (19).

(c) *Interstate drivers.* No requirement of this subpart, or any Authority regulation, may be interpreted to disrupt or interfere with interstate commerce exclusively regulated by or preempted by the government of the United States of America, including such commerce addressed by the Real Interstate Drivers Equity Act of 2002 (49 U.S.C. §§13102 and 14501.)

(d) *Smoking prohibited.* No person may smoke in a taxicab.

(e) *Advertising prohibited.*

(1) Except as provided in subsection (d) (5), the display of advertisements on the exterior or interior of a taxicab is prohibited, except for the colors and markings and postings required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(2) All advertisements, colors, markings and other displays required by this part must be securely fastened to the taxicab and may not obscure the driver's view in any direction.

(f) *Inspection by certificate holder.* A certificate holder shall inspect each of its taxicabs on a daily basis to confirm that the taxicab complies with this subpart.

#### **§1017.6. Required documents.**

A taxicab must contain the following documents for review by an Inspector upon request:

(a) Proof of current and valid financial responsibility as required by Chapter 1025 (relating to insurance required) and section 5704 of the act (relating to power of authority to require insurance).

(b) Proof of vehicle ownership and a copy of the vehicle or medallion lease, if applicable.

#### **§1017.7. Transportation of blind, deaf or physically disabled persons with service animals.**

Taxicabs must transport dogs trained for the purpose of assisting blind, deaf or physically disabled persons when accompanying blind, deaf or physically disabled persons paying a regular fare. The guide dogs must be properly leashed and may not occupy a seat.



## **SUBCHAPTER B. COLORS AND MARKINGS.**

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### **§1017.11. Distinctive colors and markings.**

*(a) Taxicabs generally.*

(1) A taxicab must display the colors and markings of its dispatcher as approved by the Authority as provided in §1019.7 (relating to name, colors and markings review).

(2) The doors and the rear quarter panels of the taxicab will be dedicated to information about the dispatcher, including its name and phone number.

(3) A taxicab may not use the services of more than one dispatcher.

*(b) Partial-rights taxicabs.*

(1) All taxicabs operated through a partial-rights certificate must have the same colors and markings.

(2) All taxicabs operated through a partial-rights certificate must have colors and markings that are different and distinguishable from every other partial-rights taxicab and each medallion taxicab.

(3) All taxicabs operated through a partial-rights certificate must be associated with the same dispatcher.

*(c) Simulation of colors and markings.* No person may mark, paint or design the exterior appearance of a taxicab to display inaccurate information, including an association with a dispatcher to which the vehicle is not associated.

### **§1017.12. Required markings and information.**

(a) In addition to the name, colors and markings required by §1019.7 (relating to name, colors and markings review) a taxicab must continually display the following markings and information:

(1) The identification number required by §1017.14 (relating to taxicab numbering) must be posted on the front fenders of the taxicab and on the rear of the taxicab in print five inches high or larger.

(2) The name of the certificate holder must appear on the front fenders of the taxicab in print five inches high or larger.

(3) Current inspection stickers required by §1017.32 (relating to TLD inspection sticker required) must be attached to the lower passenger side windshield.

(4) If the vehicle is a medallion taxicab, the current medallion must be attached to the hood of the vehicle.

(5) A taxicab must be registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and obtain commercial registration plates identifying the vehicle as a taxicab bearing the letters "TX".

(b) The Authority will produce the standardized postings required by this part for taxicabs and may permit certificate holders to produce substantially similar postings. The Authority will specify the location of each posting. A list of the required postings and the locations of the posting will be made available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

#### **§1017.13. Removal of name, colors and markings.**

(a) A vehicle may not be operated with the name, colors and markings of a taxicab unless the vehicle is authorized for taxicab service as provided in this part.

(b) The name, colors and markings identifying a vehicle as a taxicab shall be removed by the certificate holder within 72 hours of the removal of a medallion or other event which prohibits a vehicle from providing taxicab service. For example, a vehicle's dispatcher name, taxicab colors and markings must be removed when the vehicle is sold, the vehicle is removed from service due to mileage or age restrictions, or is otherwise not intended to immediately reinstate taxicab service pursuant to this part.

#### **§1017.14. Taxicab numbering.**

(a) *Medallion taxicabs.* The identification number of a medallion taxicab will be the number on the medallion attached to the taxicab.

(b) *Partial-rights taxicabs.*

(1) Each partial-rights certificate holder shall notify the Director by filing Form PRT-2 "Vehicle Numbering" of its intention to use a new identification number

for a taxicab or to reassign an existing number to a different taxicab. The PRT-2 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(2) The Director may deny the requested partial-rights taxicab number assignment if it determines that the requested number may lead to regulatory or public confusion.

(c) Partial-rights taxicabs must be identified by a unique sequential number, as follows:

(1) Taxicabs with rights through Germantown Cab Company (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00110733) shall be numbered "G-1" for the first vehicle, "G-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

(2) Taxicabs with rights through Bucks County Services, Inc. (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00111913) shall be numbered "B-1" for the first vehicle, "B-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

(3) Taxicabs with rights through Concord Limousine, Inc. (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00113582) shall be numbered "CL-1" for the first vehicle, "CL-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

(4) Taxicabs with rights through Concord Coach USA, Inc. (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00115589) shall be numbered "CC-1" for the first vehicle, "CC-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

(5) Taxicabs with rights through Dee Dee Cab, Inc. Company (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00116499) shall be numbered "D-1" for the first vehicle, "D-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

(6) MCT Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Montco Suburban Taxi: (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission A-00119955) shall be numbered "MCT-1" for the first vehicle, "MCT-2" for the second vehicle, and continue according to that sequence until each taxicab is issued a unique number.

## SUBCHAPTER C. METERS.

Sec.

1017.21	Taxicab meters.
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### **§1017.21. Taxicab meters.**

(a) *Generally.* Each taxicab must be equipped with one sealed meter that satisfies the requirements of this subchapter.

(b) *Inspection and seals.*

(1) A taxicab meter must be inspected by the Authority prior to use.

(2) The Authority will conduct meter accuracy testing to assure the meter is calibrated as provided in §1017.22 (relating to meter calibration and testing).

(3) Upon determining that a meter functions properly, the Enforcement Department will attach a numbered seal to the meter.

(4) A meter may not be used in a taxicab unless it is sealed as provided in paragraph (3). If the seal becomes broken or damaged, the certificate holder shall remove the taxicab from service immediately and schedule a new meter inspection by the Enforcement Department.

(c) *Location of meter.* The meter must be installed in the center of the driver portion of the taxicab in a position that permits the passenger to view the current fare.

### **§1017.22. Meter calibration and testing.**

(a) A taxicab meter must be calibrated in accordance with the certificate holder's approved tariff or standard rates set by the Authority and meters must otherwise properly calculate fares, including the assigned monetary rates, calculations of time and calculations of distance traveled.

(b) Meter testing may include the road operation of the taxicab with an Inspector while the meter is engaged.

(c) A meter must be able to pass an accuracy test conducted by an Inspector at any time.

**§1017.23. Approved meters.**

The Authority will maintain a list of meters approved for use in taxicabs. The list of approved taxicab meters may be obtained from the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

**§1017.24. Meter activation and display.**

(a) A taxicab meter must be activated for fare calculation by the driver when the passenger and the passenger's belongings are securely in the taxicab and the trip begins.

(b) The meter must be deactivated for fare calculation by the driver when the taxicab has arrived at the destination designated by the passenger and the taxicab is able to safely and legally stop.

(c) The meter must continuously display the current rate charged for an active fare and the display must be visible to the passenger.

(d) The meters in every taxicab must have properly attached and approved receipt printers specified by the Authority in §1017.23 (relating to approved meters), including the following:

(1) The ability to issue a receipt containing information required by the Authority, including:

(i) The mileage of the trip and amount paid, expressed in United States Dollars.

(ii) The vehicle's taxicab number.

(iii) The taxicab's dispatcher.

(iv) The driver's certificate number.

(v) The Authority's phone number or email address to be used to report complaints.

(vi) The time and date of the fare.

(2) The ability to provide drivers with driving directions through a global positioning system.

(3) Global positioning system tracking to monitor the location of each taxicab and provide driving directions to the taxicab driver.

(4) The ability to pay fares through the use of credit card and debit card processing hardware mounted in the passenger compartment. A transaction, processing or other fees associated with the acceptance of a credit card or debit card fare payment and delivery of the fare payment to the taxicab driver may not exceed five percent of the total fare amount.

(5) A driver recognition function to permit only Authority certified drivers in possession of a taxicab driver's certificate to activate and then use the meter to provide taxicab service.

(6) The ability to be remotely disabled by the Authority.

(7) The ability to communicate voice and text messages between the driver, dispatcher and the Authority.

(8) A distress button that can be easily activated by a driver to silently communicate to the dispatcher the need for emergency assistance.

(e) Partial-rights certificate holders may seek one waiver from this provision for a period not to exceed one year from the date this regulation is published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. The purpose of the waiver is to permit additional time for the certificate holder to acquire and install the required meter system. The certificate holder's waiver petition shall be filed as provided in §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations).

#### **§1017.25. One meter.**

A taxicab is prohibited from containing a taxicab meter other than the approved meter inspected and sealed by the Authority.

#### **§1017.26. Certificate holder responsible.**

The certificate holder shall inspect each taxicab meter prior to service each day to assure it has been approved for use by the Authority, is sealed as provided in §1017.21 (b)(3) (relating to taxicab meters) and is in proper working order. Unsealed or improperly sealed meters and malfunctioning meters must be reported to the Enforcement Department immediately.

## **SUBCHAPTER D. TAXICAB INSPECTIONS.**

Sec.

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### **§1017.31. Bi-annual inspections by Authority.**

(a) In addition to any other inspections required or permitted by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, every taxicab must submit to not less than two scheduled inspections by the Authority on an annual basis at a time and location designated by the Authority. Each scheduled inspection will consist of one of the following:

- (1) A compliance inspection.
- (2) A compliance inspection combined with a full state inspection.

### **§1017.32. TLD Inspection Sticker required.**

(a) The Authority will affix a TLD Inspection Sticker to the lower right hand side of the taxicab's windshield upon successful completion of the following inspections:

- (1) Each bi-annual compliance inspection as provided in §1017.31 (relating to bi-annual inspections by Authority).
- (2) A re-inspection as provided in §1017.36 (relating to re-inspection), but only if the existing TLD Inspection Sticker has already expired or will expire before the next bi-annual inspection as provided in §1017.31.

(3) A compliance inspection as provided in §1017.2 (relating to pre-service inspection).

(b) A taxicab may not provide service unless a current TLD Inspection Sticker is properly affixed to the taxicab.

(c) Each TLD Inspection Sticker will expire six months from the date it is affixed to the taxicab.

(d) Only the Authority may conduct state inspections of taxicabs and affix certificates of inspection as provided in 75 Pa.C.S. §4728 (relating to display of certificate of inspection).

**§1017.33. Failure to appear for scheduled inspection.**

If a taxicab fails to appear for an inspection as provided in §1017.31 (relating to bi-annual inspections by the Authority), the certificate holder will be charged a rescheduling fee as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule), in addition to any penalty entered against the certificate holder.

**§1017.34. Field inspections.**

(a) Inspectors may stop and inspect taxicabs in operation, or appearing to be in operation, to ensure continued compliance with the act, this part or any order of the Authority.

(b) Upon field inspection, an Inspector may instruct a taxicab driver to drive the taxicab directly to TLD Headquarters for a compliance inspection if the Inspector believes that the taxicab is not in compliance with this chapter and represents a public safety concern.

**§1017.35. Failure to submit to field inspection.**

(a) Upon instruction by an Inspector, a taxicab driver must stop the taxicab and permit the Inspector to conduct a field inspection of the taxicab.

(b) If a taxicab driver fails to permit a full field inspection, the taxicab will be placed out of service immediately, as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).

(c) A person determined to have refused the direction of an Inspector to submit a taxicab to a field inspection will be subject to a \$1,000 fine and a cancellation of rights issued by the Authority, or both.



**§1017.36. Re-inspection.**

In the event a taxicab fails any Authority inspection or is removed from taxicab service for any reason, the taxicab may not resume taxicab service until a compliance inspection is successfully completed by the Authority.

**§1017.37. Inspection subsequent to vehicular accident or damage.**

(a) A taxicab is prohibited from providing service after it is involved in one or more of the following:

(1) An incident that must be reported to the police pursuant to 75 Pa.C.S. §3746 (relating to immediate notice of accident to police department).

(2) An incident involving contact with a vehicle owned or operated by any government entity.

(3) An incident resulting in damage to the taxicab which requires more than \$500 to repair.

(4) An incident involving any contact with a taxicab which renders it incapable of being legally operated on a highway.

(5) A motor vehicle accident resulting in injury or death to any person.

(b) The certificate holder and driver shall contact the Manager of the Enforcement Department immediately upon the occurrence of any incident set forth in §1017.37 (a) (relating to inspection subsequent to vehicular accident or damage) and the certificate holder shall remove the taxicab from service.

(c) In order for a vehicle to reenter service after the occurrence of a condition referenced in subsection (b), the certificate holder must schedule a compliance inspection with the Authority.

(d) On or before the scheduled time for the Authority compliance inspection required by subsection (c), the certificate holder shall provide the Authority with a written list of the repairs made to the taxicab subsequent to the incident which caused it to be removed from service. The list of repairs required by this paragraph must be provided on the letterhead of the repair facility and executed by the repairman.

**§1017.38. Change of vehicle.**

(a) In addition to the requirements of §§1013.2 and 1013.3 (relating to attachment of a medallion; and removal of a medallion), a medallion may not be attached to a different vehicle unless the vehicle has completed a compliance inspection.

(b) A partial-rights taxicab may not be replaced with another vehicle nor may an additional vehicle be added to a partial-rights certificate, unless the vehicle has completed a compliance inspection.

**§1017.39. License plate change.**

(a) A taxicab may not be operated with a license plate other than that which was assigned and attached to the taxicab at the time of its last compliance inspection.

(b) A license plate other than the one referenced in subsection (a) may be attached to a taxicab only upon completion of a compliance inspection.

**§1017.40. Transfer Inspection.**

A taxicab subject to the transfer of a certificate or medallion or from one certificate holder to another must complete a compliance inspection before it provides taxicab service.

**§1017.41. Attendance at scheduled inspection.**

(a) The certificate holder or its attorney-in-fact must attend each taxicab inspection conducted by the Authority, except field inspections as provided in §1017.34 (relating to field inspections).

(b) The attorney-in-fact must appear with the original power of attorney, which must be in compliance with §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney).

**§1017.42. Prerequisites to inspection.**

(a) The Authority will not initiate an inspection of a taxicab, except as provided in §1017.34 (relating to field inspections) if the taxicab is out of compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(b) The Authority will not initiate an inspection of a taxicab, except as provided in §1017.34 if the certificate holder is out of compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following sections of this subpart:

(1) §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).

(2) §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).

(3) §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

**§1017.43. Approved Models and Conditions.**

The Authority will publish a list of approved makes and models of vehicles permitted for use as taxicabs, which will be available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

**§1017.44. Reconstructed vehicles prohibited.**

Salvaged or reconstructed vehicles may not provide taxicab service.

**SUBCHAPTER E.  
IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLES  
AND EQUIPMENT.**

Sec.

1017.51        General

1017.52        Impoundment of vehicles and equipment.

**§1017.51 General.**

(a) The following words and terms, when used in this subpart, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Vehicle*—The term includes the vehicle and equipment used or capable of being used to provide taxicab service.

*Registered owner*—The owner of the vehicle as registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, or the similarly authorized registering agency of the jurisdiction identified on the license plate of the vehicle, if any, on the date the vehicle was impounded.

*Registered lienholder*—A person having a vehicle lien interest that is registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation or the similarly authorized registering agency of the jurisdiction identified on the license plate of the vehicle, if any, on the date the vehicle was impounded.

**§1017.52. Impoundment of vehicles and equipment.**

(a) *Impoundments generally.* The Authority may impound vehicles, medallions,

and equipment used to provide call or demand service as provided in section 5714 (g) of the act (relating to confiscation and impoundment of vehicles).

(b) *Enforcement Proceedings.* The Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel will initiate an enforcement proceeding as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) against the regulated party or owner or the impounded property, if other than a regulated party, related to an impoundment made pursuant to this section and the act.

(c) *Notice of impoundment.* The Authority will issue a notice of impoundment to the registered owner of the vehicle and registered lienholder of the vehicle or medallion, or both, if any, as provided in section 5714 (g)(2)(ii) of the act.

(d) *Recovery of impounded property.* Except as provided in subsection (g), the owner or lienholder of the property impounded as provided in this section may recover the impounded property by paying all penalties, fines and costs required by section 5714 (g)(1) of the act.

(e) *Public auction.* If the owner or lienholder fails to recover the impounded property within 45 days as provided in section 5714 (g)(1) of the act, that property may be sold at public auction as provided in section 5714(g)(2)(i) of the act.

(f) *Return of funds.* In the event the enforcement proceeding initiated as provided in subsection (b) results in a determination that the respondent was not liable for the violations referenced in the complaint and that the grounds for the impoundment were unsubstantiated, the costs of towing and impoundment paid by the respondent as provided in paragraph (d) will be refunded.

(g) *Stay of auction.* Upon motion of the respondent or a registered owner or a registered lienholder as an intervening party as permitted by §1005.21 (relating to initiation of intervention), the presiding officer may enter an order staying the public auction of the impounded property for such period as the presiding officer deems just. Costs of impoundment will continue to accrue during the period of any stay imposed through this subsection.

(h) *Emergency hold on impounded property.*

(1) In order to advance the interests of the act or to protect the public good, the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel may motion the presiding officer to stay the return of property impounded as provided in this section through the conclusion of the enforcement proceeding, although requirements for recovery as provided in subsection (d) have been met.

(2) The presiding officer will issue a decision in support of the determination required by this section.

(3) The decision of the presiding officer issued as provided in paragraph (2) will constitute a recommended decision and will be reviewed by the Authority as provided in §§1005.125—129 (relating to exceptions to recommended decisions).

(4) In the event the release of impounded property is stayed, the enforcement proceedings will be conducted on an expedited basis.

## **SUBCHAPTER F. TAXICAB LEASES**

Sec.

1017.61	Control of vehicle.
1017.62	Taxicab leases.
1017.63	Wages, maximum lease amounts and uniform rates.
1017.64	Receipts.

### **§1017.61. Control of vehicle.**

Each certificate holder shall supervise the use of its taxicabs to assure that each taxicab is operated in compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

### **§1017.62. Taxicab leases.**

(a) *Lessees.*

(1) A taxicab may be leased to a taxicab driver.

(2) A taxicab may not be subject to a sublease agreement.

(b) *Transfer of obligations.* A certificate holder may not transfer or assign any obligation related to the condition or operation of a taxicab to any other party, including a taxicab driver, except as provided for in §1011.6. (relating to fleet program).

(c) *Basic components of a lease.* A taxicab lease must be in writing and contain information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) The name, address, and telephone contact information for each party.

(2) The certificate number or medallion number, or both, subject to the lease.

(3) The term of the lease.

(4) The monetary consideration for the lease, in United States Dollars, in an amount consistent with §1017.63 (relating to wages, maximum lease amounts and uniform rates.)

(5) Any other consideration to be paid by a taxicab driver if different from that set forth in paragraph (4).

(6) Specification of any service limitation of the taxicab in a city of the first class, including those related to partial-rights taxicabs.

(7) Written confirmation that a lease may be ended by either party only upon ten days notice.

(8) The original dated and witnessed signature of the certificate holder and the taxicab driver.

(9) The following provisions:

“The parties to this lease agree to adhere to the taxicab and limousine regulations of the Philadelphia Parking Authority found at 52 Pa.Code Part II.”

“The parties to this lease agree that the obligations of the certificate holder to maintain the taxicab and its taxicab service related equipment may not be assigned through this lease.”

“Either party to this lease may report violations of the taxicab and limousine regulations of the Philadelphia Parking Authority to the TLD’s Enforcement Department by calling 215-683-9471 or appearing personally at TLD Headquarters.”

(10) The driver’s certificate number and the expiration date then appearing on the driver’s certificate.

(d) *Copies of lease.* A copy of a taxicab lease agreement must be provided to the taxicab driver and a second copy must be in the taxicab for review by the Authority, the PUC or law enforcement upon demand.

(e) *Retention of lease.* The certificate holder shall retain copies of each taxicab lease as provided in §1011.11 (relating to record retention).

**§1017.63. Wages, maximum lease amounts and uniform rates.**

(a) Upon investigation, the Authority will establish, by order, a uniform rate for taxicab service within Philadelphia.

(b) Upon investigation, the Authority will establish, by order, a prevailing minimum wage rate for taxicab drivers and a maximum taxicab lease amount.

(c) Upon investigation, the Authority may establish, by order, prevailing employee benefits for taxicab drivers, in addition to a minimum wage.

(d) Orders issued pursuant to this section will be served upon certificate holders as provided in

§1001.51 (relating to service by Authority) and will be available on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

#### **§1017.64. Receipts.**

(a) A taxicab certificate holder shall provide to each of its taxicab drivers a three part form receipt book to note any payment received for taxicab service in the event the meter does not provide a receipt as provided in §1017.24 (relating to meter activation and display). Each receipt must provide information substantially similar to that required by §1017.24 and identify the taxicab certificate holder's name and contact information, including address and telephone number.

(b) The form receipts are for use only if the taxicab meter fails to provide legible receipts.

(c) The taxicab driver shall provide a copy of each receipt to the taxicab certificate holder.

(d) The Authority may design and require the use of standardized receipts.

## **CHAPTER 1019. DISPATCHERS**

### **Sec.**

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#### **§1019.1. Purpose and prohibition.**

(a) This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for the certification and operation of dispatching services in Philadelphia pursuant to sections 5711(c)(6) and 5721 of the act (relating to power of the authority to issue certificates of public convenience; and centralized dispatcher).

(b) No person may provide dispatching services in Philadelphia without a certificate issued by the Authority as provided in this chapter.

#### **§1019.2. Ineligible persons for dispatcher service.**

An applicant is ineligible to be a dispatcher under the following circumstances:

(1) If the applicant, a person with a controlling interest in the applicant or a key employee is ineligible to own Authority issued rights as provided in §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).

(2) The applicant is incapable of providing dispatching services through persons or communication devices that speak, read and write the English language sufficiently to clearly communicate with the public and respond to Authority investigations and comply with reporting requirements of the Authority's regulations.

(3) The applicant, a person with a controlling interest in the applicant or a key employee knowingly makes a false statement on a dispatcher application.

(4) The applicant, a person with a controlling interest in the applicant or a key employee is in violation of §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(5) The applicant or any person having a controlling interest over the applicant is 20 years of age or younger.

#### **§1019.3. Dispatcher application.**

(a) *General.* In order to obtain a dispatcher's certificate a person must complete and file a Form No. DSP-1 "Dispatcher Application", along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the



Authority; and Authority fee schedule). The DSP-1 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) *DSP-1 application*. The completed DSP-1 must be verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and be filed with the Director in person by the owner of the applicant and include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) The name of the applicant and contact information, including a mailing address, a Philadelphia business address, a telephone number, an email address and a facsimile number.

(2) Identification of the applicant as an individual or a person as provided in §1011.2 (relating to definitions).

(3) If the applicant is not an individual, the following must be included:

(i) The articles of incorporation, operating agreement, formation documents or other applicable organizing documents for the applicant.

(ii) A certificate of good standing for the applicant from the Pennsylvania Corporate Bureau.

(iii) A copy of the Pennsylvania Department of State's entity page for the applicant.

(iv) The trade name, if any, of the applicant and a copy of the trade name registration certificate, if applicable.

(4) The mailing address and physical address of the applicant, if different.

(5) A list of all Authority or PUC certificates or other rights in which the applicant or any person with a controlling influence in the applicant has any controlling interest, including taxicab medallions.

(6) The name, address, telephone number, facsimile number, and email address of any attorney or broker, or both, assisting the applicant through the Authority's dispatcher certification process.

(7) A complete certified criminal history report as provided in §1001.2 (relating to definitions), including any jurisdiction in which the following individuals have lived during the last five years:

(i) An individual applicant.

(ii) Any person with a controlling interest in the applicant.

(iii) Each key employee.

(8) A written statement verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit), which provides the following:

(i) That the applicant, each person with a controlling interest in the applicant and each key employee have not been subject to a conviction as provided in §1011.2 (relating to definitions).

(ii) That the applicant, each person with a controlling interest in the applicant and each key employee are in compliance with §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(iii) That the applicant, each person with a controlling interest in the applicant and each key employee are current on all reports due in relation to other rights issued by the Authority.

(iv) That the applicant can comply with the requirements of §1019.8 (relating to dispatcher requirements).

(9) A copy of the applicant's business plan.

(10) A completed original of Form No. DSP-3 "Business Experience Questionnaire". A copy of the DSP-3 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(11) The federal tax identification number of the applicant.

(12) The Philadelphia Business Privilege License numbers issued to the applicant.

(c) At the time a DSP-1 is filed, an applicant for a dispatcher's certificate shall also file a DSP-2 "Dispatcher Colors and Markings Change/Application" as provided in §1019.7 (relating to names, colors and markings review).

#### **§1019.4. Application changes.**

An applicant for a dispatcher certificate shall immediately notify the Authority in writing of any changes that affect the accuracy of the information in the application while the application is under review by the Authority.

#### **§1019.5. Facility inspection.**

(a) An applicant for a dispatcher's certificate shall make its proposed operating locations available for inspection by the Enforcement Department as part of the application process and throughout the term of its status as a dispatcher. A facility inspection may be conducted without prior notice.

(b) Dispatchers must provide all dispatching services from facilities located in Philadelphia.

#### **§1019.6. Review of dispatcher application.**

(a) An application for a dispatcher's certificate will be denied by the Authority if the dispatcher is unable to meet the requirements of this chapter, including §1019.8 (relating to dispatcher requirements).

(b) An application for a dispatcher's certificate will be granted if the applicant complies with the requirements of this subchapter and the Authority finds that the applicant is capable of providing dependable service according to the act, this part and orders of the Authority.

#### **§1019.7. Name, colors and markings review.**

(a) In order to change or establish any name, colors or markings, a dispatcher must file a DSP-2 "Dispatcher Colors and Markings Change/Application" along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule). The DSP-2 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) The Authority will not approve a DSP-2 application if it determines that the requested name or colors and markings are similar to those of an existing dispatcher.

(c) Upon approval of a DSP-2 application the dispatcher shall have the exclusive right to use the approved name, colors and markings, provided the certificate has not expired or been cancelled.

(d) Each dispatcher must use only a single name, colors and marking scheme for all the medallion taxicabs it dispatches.

(e) Each dispatcher must use a distinctive name, colors and marking scheme for partial-rights taxicabs it dispatches as provided in §1017.11(b) (relating to distinctive colors and markings).

(f) A dispatcher may not change an approved name, colors and markings scheme without advance approval of the Authority as provided in this section.

(g) The colors and markings of a dispatcher must be consistent with the requirements of Chapter 1017 of this subpart (relating to vehicle and equipment requirements).

**§1019.8. Dispatcher requirements.**

(a) A dispatcher shall continually maintain standards and equipment capable of providing prompt and adequate service to the public, including the following:

(1) Control a radio frequency signal of sufficient strength to transmit and receive real time verbal communication and data throughout Philadelphia.

(2) Respond to customer calls 24 hours a day.

(3) Have taxicabs available for dispatch 24-hour, 7 days-a-week.

(4) Dispatch taxicabs with current Authority rights to provide the service requested.

(5) Obtain the Authority's confirmation, which may be provided by the Authority through email, of a taxicab's good standing before commencing to provide it with dispatching service.

(6) Have at least one display advertisement in a telephone book with citywide circulation in Philadelphia and a website which displays all of the information necessary to order a taxicab through the dispatcher.

(7) Have a minimum of four coordinated telephone lines to receive incoming calls for service from the public.

(8) Operate and maintain a taxicab meter system approved by the Authority as provided in §1017.23 (relating to approved meters), including computer hardware and software, means of communication between the dispatcher and each taxicab meter and the Authority.

(9) Answer customer questions about rates and services provided within 12 hours.

(10) Answer customer questions or complaints about service in writing and within five days of receipt of the complaint.

(11) Maintain records as provided in §1019.15 (relating to dispatcher records).

(12) A dispatcher may not discriminate against nor allow its affiliated drivers to discriminate against any member of the public and may not refuse service to any

section of Philadelphia. Partial-rights taxicabs may only be dispatched to provide service consistent with the certificate holder's rights.

(13) A dispatcher must be able to receive and respond to emergency or distress alerts received from taxicab drivers 24-hour, 7 days-a-week.

(14) In addition to the requirements of the act, this part or an order of the Authority, a dispatcher may institute rules of conduct for drivers and certificate holders associated with the dispatcher.

(15) A dispatcher shall report violations of the act, this part or an order of the Authority committed by a driver or certificate holder associated with the dispatcher to the Authority immediately.

#### **§1019.9. List of affiliated taxicabs.**

A dispatcher shall file a complete Form No. DSP-4 "Dispatcher Affiliated Taxicabs" with the Authority on the first business day of each week noting the taxicab numbers and certificate holders associated with the dispatcher at that time. A Form No. DSP-4 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). In the event a taxicab is added or removed from a dispatcher's customer list, the dispatcher shall report the change within 24 hours to the Authority by email.

#### **§1019.10. Dispatcher rates.**

(a) A dispatcher may not provide service to taxicabs unless it has filed a Form No. DSP-5 "Dispatcher Rates" with the Authority establishing the rates schedule charged for the dispatcher's services. Only the rates identified in DSP-5 filing may be charged by the dispatcher, or any agent or employee of a dispatcher. The DSP-5 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) A dispatcher may amend its DSP-5 filing at any time, with an effective date 30 days from the date of filing.

(c) A dispatcher shall provide a copy of its DSP-5 to each of its associated drivers and certificate holders.

(d) Pursuant to section 5721 of the act (relating to centralized dispatcher), the Authority may deny the filing of a DSP-5 if it determines that the suggested rates are unreasonable.

#### **§1019.11. Disclosure of conflicts.**

(a) A dispatcher shall disclose, through the filing of the DSP-4, any dispatching services that may be provided to taxicabs owned or operated by the dispatcher, a person with a controlling interest in the dispatcher, key employee or immediate

family members of the dispatcher.

(b) For the purposes of this section, “immediate family members” shall mean the Spouse or domestic partner, Parent, Grandparent, Great-Grandparent, Great-Great Grandparent, Children, Siblings (including “half” and step-siblings), Uncles/Aunts, Grand Uncles/Aunts, Grandchildren, Nephews/Nieces, First Cousins, Great-Grandchildren, Grand Nephews/Nieces of the dispatcher.

**§1019.12. Bond required.**

(a) Within 30 days of receipt of the Authority’s email notification of its intention to grant an applicant’s DSP-1 application, the applicant shall file a bond or irrevocable letter of credit consistent with this section with the Authority.

(b) A dispatcher may not provide dispatching services unless the bond or irrevocable letter of credit required by this section has been filed and accepted by the Authority and the requirements of §1003.30 (e) (relating to applications generally) have been satisfied.

(c) A dispatcher’s bond or irrevocable letter of credit shall be issued in an amount of not less than \$50,000 and upon terms and in a form as will insure the dispatcher’s adherence to the law, the Authority’s regulations and orders and the interests of the dispatcher’s clients, including payment of all fines, fees and penalties incurred by the dispatcher.

**§1019.13. Maximum number of dispatcher certificates.**

The number of dispatcher certificates in Philadelphia may not exceed 12.

**§1019.14. Minimum number of taxicab affiliations.**

(a) A dispatcher shall remain affiliated with not less than 20 active taxicabs for dispatching services with each taxicab displaying the name, colors and markings of the dispatcher approved as provided in this subchapter.

(b) In the event a dispatcher fails to maintain the minimum number of affiliated taxicabs the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel will provide 30 days notice of its intention to initiate an enforcement proceeding through a formal complaint as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) to cancel the dispatching certificate.

(c) Upon notice of planned enforcement proceedings as provided in subsection (b), the dispatcher will be permitted to initiate a certificate transfer as provided in Chapter 1027 (relating to sale of rights) or come into compliance with subsection (a).

(d) In the event a dispatcher and proposed buyer of the certificate initiate a certificate transfer within 30 days of the notice provided through subsection (b), the enforcement proceedings may be stayed unless the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel determine that a transfer of the certificate is not likely to occur within six months of the date the transfer application was filed.

(e) In the event a dispatcher comes into compliance with subsection (a) within 30 days of the notice provided through subsection (b), the dispatcher shall provide notice of that status to the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel, and if proven the matter will be closed.

**§1019.15. Dispatcher records.**

(a) A dispatcher shall maintain records related to its affiliated certificate holders, its customers, the calls or scheduling for service it receives and the dispatches it makes as provided in §1011.11 (relating to record retention).

## **CHAPTER 1021.**

### **TAXICAB DRIVERS**

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**§1021.1. Purpose and scope.**

- (a) This chapter establishes minimum qualifications for taxicab drivers.
- (b) A certificate holder may impose more stringent standards in the selection of its taxicab drivers.

**§1021.2. Certification required.**

- (a) Only a taxicab driver may provide taxicab service.
- (b) A taxicab driver shall carry and display an original taxicab driver's certificate on the protective shield of the taxicab on the driver's side with the front of the certificate (picture) facing the rear seat at all times.
- (c) A taxicab driver may not drive a taxicab with a mutilated, damaged or illegible taxicab driver's certificate.
- (d) Only one taxicab driver's certificate at a time may be displayed in a taxicab.
- (e) A taxicab driver's certificate is not transferable.

**§1021.3. Maximum number of taxicab driver's certificates.**

(a) *Maximum number established.* Except as provided in section (c) or when necessary in the public interest, the Authority will issue no more than 3,000 taxicab driver's certificates.

(b) *Taxicab driver certification suspended.*

(1) The Authority will not issue new taxicab driver's certificates, except as provided in paragraph (2).

(2) Upon the conclusion of the driver designation period as provided in subsection (c), the Authority will accept applications for new taxicab driver's certificates as provided in §1021.5 (relating to standards for obtaining a taxicab driver's certificate) only when the number of taxicab drivers is below 3,000.

(c) *Driver designation.*

(1) Beginning on the date this part is published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, driver certification rights previously issued by the Authority pursuant to section 5706 of the act (relating to driver certification program) shall be designated by the driver as either a taxicab driver's certificate or limousine driver's certificate at the time those rights are scheduled for renewal as provided in §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).



(2) Provided that all other terms of renewal are met, the TLD will renew the driver's certificate only for the rights selected by the renewing driver as provided in paragraph (1), without consideration of the limitations of subsection (a).

(d) *Dual driver authority.*

(1) This section does not prohibit a taxicab driver from obtaining a limousine driver certificate as provided in Subpart C (relating to limousines).

(2) This section does not prohibit a limousine driver from obtaining a taxicab driver certificate as provided in this chapter within the limitations of subsection (a).

#### **§1021.4. Ineligible persons for taxicab driver certificate.**

(a) In addition to other prohibitions provided in this part, an applicant for a taxicab driver's certificate shall be automatically ineligible under the following circumstances:

(1) The applicant does not hold a current driver's license.

(2) The applicant does not speak the English language sufficiently to communicate with the general public, to understand highway traffic signs and signals in the English language, to respond to official inquiries and to make verifiable entries on reports and records.

(3) The applicant has failed to satisfactorily complete taxicab driver training and testing as prescribed by this chapter.

(4) The applicant is unable to provide information required by this subpart.

(5) The applicant is 20 years of age or younger.

(6) The applicant does not have a driving history in the United States of America of at least one continuous year prior to the date of application.

#### **§1021.5. Standards for obtaining a taxicab driver's certificate.**

(a) *General.* Except as limited by §1021.3 (relating to maximum number of taxicab driver's certificates), in order to obtain a taxicab driver's certificate an individual must complete and file with the Director a Form DR-1 "Driver Application", along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule).

The DR-1 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld), and must be completed in person before TLD staff.

(b) *DR-1 application.* The completed DR-1 must be verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) The full and legal name of the individual applicant.
- (2) The applicant's residential address and telephone number. Applicants may submit an email address to become eligible for service of notice as provided in §1005.51 (relating to service by Authority).
- (3) The applicant's driver's license.
- (4) The applicant's Social Security card or documents confirming a legal permanent resident status or an alien authorized to work status, if applicable.
- (5) Authorization for release of the applicant's criminal history report from the Pennsylvania State Police to the Authority.
- (6) A certified copy of the applicant's criminal history report for each jurisdiction other than Pennsylvania in which the applicant resided during the five years immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each criminal history record shall be certified within 30 days of the filing of the application.
- (7) Authorization for the release of the applicant's driver history report from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to the Authority.
- (8) A certified copy of the driver history report from each jurisdiction, other than Pennsylvania, in which the applicant was licensed during the five years immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each driver history report shall be certified within 30 days of the filing of the application.
- (9) Submit a Form DR-2 "Driver Medical History", which is available on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). The requirement to complete the DR-2 will be waived for applicants who possess a current physical exam card issued pursuant to the requirements of a commercial driver's license in Pennsylvania. 49 CFR 391.41—391.49 (relating to physical qualifications and examinations).
- (10) A list of all Authority or PUC certificates or other rights in which the applicant has any controlling interest, including taxicab medallions.
- (11) A written statement verified as provided in §1001.36, which provides the following:

(i) That the applicant has not been subject to a conviction as provided in §1011.2 (relating to definitions).

(ii) That the applicant is in compliance with §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(iii) That the applicant is current on all reports due in relation to other rights issued by the Authority.

(iv) That the applicant can comply with the requirements of this chapter.

**§1021.6. Application changes.**

(a) An applicant for a taxicab driver's certificate shall immediately notify the Authority in writing of any changes that affect the accuracy of the information in the application while the application is under review by the Authority.

(b) False information provided by an applicant for a taxicab driver's certificate will result in the denial of the application or cancellation of the driver's certificate if issued prior to discovery of the false information.

**§1021.7. Taxicab driver training scheduled.**

(a) Upon submission of a DR-1 application as provided in this chapter, the applicant will be scheduled by the Authority to attend an in-class training program.

(b) An applicant will not be scheduled for training as provided in subsection (a) if the application documents present information that clearly renders the applicant ineligible to be a taxicab driver. For example, an applicant who does not possess a valid driver's license will not be scheduled for training.

(c) The Authority, or its authorized agent, will conduct the training.

**§1021.8. Certain training subjects.**

(a) *Continued training subjects.* The Authority will continually monitor issues related to taxicab drivers, including safety and customer service, and maintain a current list of taxicab driver training subjects on its website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) *Basic training issues.* Taxicab driver training will consist of a minimum of 18 hours of in-class instruction and will be developed to address all areas of the act, this part and orders of the Authority. The dress code applicable to taxicab

drivers shall apply to applicants during training. Training will address issues provided for in subsection (a), including the following subjects:

- (1) Authority regulations governing taxicab drivers.
- (2) Authority regulations governing taxicab certificate holders.
- (3) Authority regulations governing equipment.
- (4) Penalties for violation of Authority regulations.
- (5) An overview of the administrative process related to violations.
- (6) The identification and address of the Authority offices responsible for administering the act.
- (7) Customer service issues, including the following:
  - (i) Personal appearance of drivers.
  - (ii) Driver courtesy and hygiene.
  - (iii) Assistance to elderly and people with disabilities.
- (8) Driving and customer safety issues, including the following:
  - (i) Defensive driving techniques.
  - (ii) Emergency aid.
  - (iii) Vehicle and equipment inspections.
  - (iv) Crime prevention.
  - (v) Accident reporting procedures.
- (9) Issues related to the geography of Philadelphia, including the following:
  - (i) Map reading.
  - (ii) Overview of major street and traffic patterns.
  - (iii) Identification and location of popular landmarks and locations.
- (c) The applicant will be tested pursuant to §1021.9 (relating to taxicab driver test) on the final day of training.

#### **§1021.9. Taxicab driver test.**

(a) The Authority will develop a test to assure that applicants for taxicab driver's certificates understand the information presented during training as provided in §1021.8 (relating to certain training subjects):

(b) The test will be administered in the English language. The assistance of interpreters will not be permitted.

(c) Except as limited by this chapter, the test may be administered in a manner and in a form deemed appropriate by the Authority. The test may include:

(1) Questions requiring a written response.

(2) Multiple choice questions.

(3) Oral questions.

(4) The demonstration of an ability to operate a motor vehicle and use taxicab related equipment.

(5) The demonstration of an ability to read, write and speak the English language as required by this part.

(d) Failure to pass the test required by this section after three attempts will render the application void.

(e) Failure to pass the test required by this section within 90 days of filing the DR-1 application as provided in §1021.5 (relating to standards for obtaining a taxicab driver's certificate) will render the application void.

(f) Upon the denial or voiding of a DR-1 as provided in this chapter an applicant may not reapply for registration for a period of six months.

#### **§1021.10. Expiration and renewal of certificate.**

(a) A taxicab driver's certificate shall expire one year from the date of issuance and must be renewed annually as provided in §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).

(b) A taxicab driver in good standing is not required to repeat driver training at the time of certificate renewal.

(c) A suspended taxicab driver's certificate must be renewed on schedule as provided in

§1011.3 and the suspended taxicab driver must submit to retraining and testing if required in the suspension order.

(d) The Authority will not renew a taxicab driver's certificate that fails to meet the minimum service requirements of §1021.12 (relating to additional requirements).

(e) An individual with a taxicab driver's certificate that has been expired for more than one year must attend taxicab driver training and pass the taxicab driver test provided in this chapter before providing service.

#### **§1021.11. Driver requirements.**

(a) *Pre-service inspection.* Prior to driving a taxicab before each shift, a taxicab driver shall perform a vehicle inspection to confirm that the taxicab complies with this subpart. The inspection shall include the following:

(1) At least one full walk around the taxicab to assure the exterior of the vehicle is in compliance with this subpart, including the following:

(i) The exterior of the taxicab is not damaged, no sharp edges are present and no parts of the vehicle have been removed. For example, the hood and doors of the taxicab are present and in the proper location.

(ii) The appropriate name, colors and markings scheme is affixed to the taxicab.

(iii) The taxicab's tires are full size and the treads are not worn below the level permitted by §1017.4(b) (9) (relating to basic vehicle standards).

(2) The opening and closing of all doors, the hood, and the trunk to assure proper functionality and the absence of any sharp edges that may injure a passenger or damage clothing, luggage or other property.

(3) An inspection of the interior of the taxicab to make certain that the vehicle is clean and otherwise in compliance with this subpart.

(4) Use of the heater and air conditioner to confirm the taxicab's ability to maintain the air temperature required by §1017.4 (b)(19) (relating to basic vehicle standards).

(5) An inspection of the taxicab meter to assure it has been approved for use by the Authority, is sealed as provided in §1017.21 (b)(3) (relating to taxicab meters) and is in proper working order at all times. Unsealed or improperly sealed meters and malfunctioning meters must be reported to the Enforcement Department immediately.

(b) *Presentation and appearance.* A taxicab driver is responsible for providing clean, safe and courteous taxicab service, including the following:

- (1) Presenting a neat and clean appearance while providing taxicab service.
- (2) Dressing in clean clothing which will be composed of a shirt with collar, ankle-length trousers, slacks/dress, skirts (if gender appropriate), socks or stockings, and shoes or clean sneakers. For example, shorts, bathing trunks or bathing suits, undershirts, "muscle shirts" or tank-tops are prohibited unless concealed as undergarments beneath the attire described in this paragraph.
- (3) Wearing open toed shoes; sandals or bare feet are prohibited while operating a taxicab.
- (4) Ceasing operation of a vehicle known by the driver to be in an unsafe condition.
- (5) Being courteous toward passengers, the public, law enforcement officials and representatives of the Authority. A driver may not use obscene, vulgar or offensive language while providing taxicab service.
- (6) Maintaining the volume of a radio at a low level and upon the request of a passenger, lowering the volume or switching off any music or electronic noise such as a radio, except that the communications radio required by §1017.4(b)(3) must remain on and at a reasonable volume at all times.
- (7) Ceasing use of a mobile telephone and remove ear phones or blue tooth devices from ears when a passenger is in the vehicle.
- (8) Making certain that the taxicab complies with the temperature requirements of §1017.4 (b)(19).
- (9) Assisting the elderly or persons with disabilities in entering and exiting the taxicab.
- (10) Maintaining cash capable of providing change for a twenty-dollar bill.
- (11) Immediately report any possessions of passengers left behind in a taxicab after service to the Manager of Enforcement and the taxicab's dispatcher and then deliver the possessions to TLD Headquarters.

(c) *Permitted fares.* A taxicab driver may not charge fares other than those approved by the Authority as provided in §1017.63 (relating to wages, maximum lease amounts and uniform rates).

(d) *Gratuities or payment method.*

(1) A taxicab driver may not insist upon the payment of a gratuity by a passenger.

(2) A taxicab driver may not insist upon or express a preference for fare payment method. For example, a taxicab driver may not demand payment in cash as opposed to credit card, nor may a taxicab driver suggest that the passenger be driven to a bank or automatic teller machine to secure cash to pay the fare as opposed to use of a credit card or other cashless payment option.

(3) A taxicab driver may not ask a potential customer for fare payment method information in advance of providing taxicab service.

(4) A taxicab driver shall accept payment by credit card and debit card and other cashless payment options identified by the Authority.

(e) *Lease or employment documents.* A taxicab driver is responsible for maintaining a copy of the lease agreement, employment contract and employee identification card in the taxicab at all times.

(f) *Direct route.* Unless directed otherwise by a fare-paying customer, a taxicab driver shall select and use the most direct route consistent with prevailing road and traffic conditions from the point of pick-up to the passenger's point of destination.

(g) *Rules of the road.* A taxicab driver shall continually provide taxicab service in a manner consistent with the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S. §§101-9802) and the Philadelphia Traffic Code (12 Phila. Code §§100-3012).

(h) *Driver history report.* A driver history report that evidences a violation or series of violations which relate to dangerous driving activities may form the basis for a denial of a taxicab driver's certificate application, a denial of the annual renewal as provided by §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process), or a formal complaint to suspend or cancel the taxicab driver's certificate.

(i) *Meter operation.* The meter must be in operation during the entire time the taxicab is engaged by a passenger, and the passenger shall be required to pay only the amount recorded by the meter, except that, when back-mileage or surcharge provisions of the tariff of the certificate holder apply, the back-mileage charge or surcharge shall be added to the amount recorded by the meter. Each meter charge shall be collected only once regardless of whether the taxicab is being used in exclusive service or in nonexclusive service.



**§1021.12. Additional requirements.**

(a) Each taxicab driver shall know the rights and limitations of any taxicab used to provide taxicab service, including the geographical limitation of partial-rights taxicabs, if applicable.

(b) Each taxicab driver must provide a weekly average of at least 24 hours of taxicab service for each year the taxicab driver's certificate is issued and a minimum aggregate number of 1,248 hours of taxicab service each year.

(c) A taxicab driver may not provide taxicab service with an expired taxicab driver's certificate.

(d) A taxicab driver may not provide taxicab service without a valid driver's license.

(e) Whenever a taxicab is occupied by a fare-paying passenger or by members of a party of fare-paying passengers who have engaged the taxicab on an exclusive basis, the taxicab driver may not permit another person to occupy or ride in the taxicab, unless the consent of the party then occupying the taxicab is obtained.

(f) No requirement of this subpart, or any Authority regulation, may be interpreted to disrupt or interfere with interstate commerce exclusively regulated by or preempted by the government of the United States of America, including such commerce addressed by the Real Interstate Drivers Equity Act of 2002 (49 U.S.C.A. §§13102 and 14501).

**§1021.13. Taxicab driver's certificate upon cancellation.**

(a) A cancelled taxicab driver's certificate may not be reinstated.

(b) An individual subject to cancellation of a taxicab driver's certificate may not apply to the Authority for a new driver's certificate, including a limousine driver's certificate as provided in §1057.14 (relating to limousine driver's certificate upon cancellation), for a period of two years from the date the cancellation was entered. If the individual subject to cancellation also holds a limousine driver's certificate, that driver's certificate shall be cancelled with the taxicab driver's certificate.

(c) The circumstances related to the cancellation of a taxicab driver's certificate will be considered by the Authority when reviewing any subsequent application submitted by that individual.

**§1021.14. General taxicab driver reports.**

(a) A taxicab driver shall make timely written reports to the Authority as required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following reports which must be made to the Manager of Administration:

- (1) Invalidation of a driver's license for any reason must be reported with 48 hours.
- (2) A change of address must be reported within 15 days.
- (3) A change of name must be reported to the Authority within 15 days of occurrence or if a court proceeding is required, within 15 days of the court filing.

**§1021.15. Taxicab driver reports after accident.**

(a) A taxicab driver who is involved in an accident while driving a taxicab that results in property damage, personal injury or death shall do the following:

- (1) Stop immediately.
- (2) Take necessary precautions to prevent further accidents at the scene.
- (3) Render reasonable assistance to injured persons. Movement of injured persons by a taxicab driver should not be undertaken if likely to cause further injury.
- (4) Provide driver's license, registration, insurance, and other information required by Pennsylvania law, and the name of the taxicab's certificate holder.
- (5) Report the details of the accident as soon as practicable as follows:
  - (i) To the police if required by 75 Pa.C.S. §3746 (relating immediate notice of accident to police department).
  - (ii) To the certificate holder.
  - (iii) To the Manager of Enforcement if required by §1017.37 (relating to inspection subsequent to vehicular accident or damage).

**§1021.16. Service issues regarding people with disabilities.**

If on-duty and not already transporting a passenger, a taxicab driver shall stop the taxicab when hailed by a person with a disability. The driver shall determine if the services requested by the person can be reasonably accommodated by the vehicle and adhere to the following procedure:

(1) If the service request can be reasonably accommodated, the driver shall provide the service.

(2) If the service request cannot be reasonably accommodated, the driver shall call a dispatcher immediately to arrange for service by the closest taxicab available that can accommodate the person's request.

**§1021.17. Partial-rights taxicab driver log.**

(a) A taxicab driver providing service in a partial-rights taxicab shall maintain a service log identifying all taxicab service provided during each shift.

(b) The partial-rights taxicab service log must identify the following information:

(1) The date of service.

(2) The taxicab driver's name and driver's certificate number.

(3) The taxicab number, the certificate holder and the dispatcher.

(4) The times and places of origin and destination of each trip including the odometer or meter mileage at the origin and destination of each passenger trip. Origin and destination places shall contain a street name and address or, if unavailable, an identifiable landmark.

(5) A designation indicating whether a trip resulted from a hail or through the dispatcher.

(6) The fare paid for the trip.

(7) The amount of any gratuity paid to the taxicab driver.

(8) The number of passengers on each trip, indicating separately each fare collected from each passenger or party of passengers sharing the ride.

(9) Each trip on which packages were delivered and the charge for the trip.

(10) The signature of the driver attesting to the accuracy of the data recorded.

(11) Other information as may be required by this subpart.

(c) A partial-rights taxicab driver shall completely enter all information required by the log immediately upon the conclusion of each taxicab service trip.

(d) The taxicab log required by this section must be maintained in the taxicab until the driver's shift has ended and must be presented to an Inspector at anytime upon demand.

(e) Upon the conclusion of a partial-rights taxicab driver's shift the taxicab log shall be delivered to the certificate holder and maintained by the certificate holder as provided in §1011.11 (relating to record retention).

(f) The Authority may require the use of a specific trip sheet form and will make the required form available on its website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

## **CHAPTER 1023.**

### **TAXICAB RATES**

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#### **§1023.1. Uniform taxicab rate.**

(a) All taxicabs shall charge a uniform rate to passengers as determined by the Authority upon investigation. The Authority's taxicab rates are available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) The taxicab rates approved by the Authority will include provisions for the payment of tolls, airport exit or entry fees, waiting periods and applicable flat rates by passengers.

#### **§1023.2. Taxicab fare refunds.**

(a) A certificate holder or taxicab driver found to have charged a taxicab rate in violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority may be required to refund the excess amount of the fare to the fare payer by order of the Authority.

(b) Any refund required by this section may be in addition to penalties imposed as provided in §1001.61 (relating to penalties).

#### **§1023.3. Rates for parcels, packages and property.**

(a) As provided in section 5714 (c) of the act (relating to certificate and medallion required), the rates for taxicab service involving the transportation of

parcels, packages and property, shall be at the same basic meter rates established by the Authority as provided in §1023.1 (relating to uniform taxicab rates), regardless of the presence of a passenger.

(b) In the event taxicab service involves the transportation of parcels, packages or property without a passenger, the estimated fare must be paid in advance with adjustments made upon delivery.

(c) The taxicab driver may leave the parcels, packages or property unattended at the designated destination if no one is waiting to receive the items.

(d) A taxicab driver may refuse to transport a parcel, package or property if it appears to be any of the following:

(1) Unsanitary.

(2) Likely to damage the vehicle or injure the driver.

(3) Dangerous or illegal to possess or transfer.

(e) No charge may be made by a certificate holder or taxicab driver for a hand baggage or hand luggage carried by a fare-paying passenger.

## **CHAPTER 1025.**

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#### **§1025.1. Definitions.**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Form E*—The standard form filed by a regulated party's insurer evidencing the existence of a current and valid insurance policy or surety bond in the name of the insured and for lines of coverage and with limits required by the Authority.

*Form K*—The standard form filed by a regulated party's insurer providing notice of cancellation of an insurance policy or surety bond previously maintained in order to be in compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

*Self-insurer*—A certificate holder that adjusts and is ultimately liable for payment of all or part of its bodily injury, property or cargo damage claims resulting from the operation, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle as a taxicab.

## **§1025.2. Insurance forms and procedures.**

### *(a) Forms of notice.*

(1) Endorsements for policies of insurance and surety bonds, certificates of insurance, or for approval of other securities or agreements shall be made through Form E.

(2) Notices of cancellation for policies of insurance, surety bonds, certificates of insurance and self-insurer status, shall be made through Form K.

(3) Each provider of insurance and surety bonds shall complete and file the Authority's Form INS-1 "Contact Information" upon the first filing of a Form E in each calendar year and at anytime during the year when the contact information provided will change. A copy of the Form INS-1 is available on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

*(b) Surety bonds and certificates in effect continuously.* Surety bonds and certificates of insurance shall specify that coverage will remain in effect continuously until terminated, except under one of the following conditions:

(1) When filed expressly to fill prior gaps or lapses in coverage or to cover grants of emergency temporary authority of unusually short duration and the filing clearly so indicates.

(2) Urgent circumstances, when special permission is obtained from the Authority.

### *(c) Filing and copies.*

(1) Certificates of insurance, surety bonds and notices of cancellation required by section (a) must be filed with the Director by email at [eksubmission@philapark.org](mailto:eksubmission@philapark.org).

(2) The Authority may prescribe additional information and content necessary for endorsements and notices required by this section.

(3) The Authority will provide prompt notice of acceptance of filings required by this section by return email message.

(d) *Name of insured.* Certificates of insurance and surety bonds shall be issued in the full and correct name of the regulated party to whom the certificate, registration, or license or other right is, or is to be issued. In the case of a partnership, all partners shall be named.

(e) *Cancellation notice.* Except as provided in subsection (f), surety bonds, certificates of insurance and other securities or agreements may not be cancelled or withdrawn until after 30 days notice in writing has been issued by the insurance company, surety, motor carrier, broker or other party, to the Director. The period of 30 days begins from the date the Director provides notice of acceptance as provided in subsection (c)(3).

(f) *Termination by replacement.* Certificates of insurance and surety bonds which have been accepted by the Authority under this chapter may be replaced by other certificates of insurance, surety bonds or other security, and the liability of the retiring insurer or surety under the certificates of insurance or surety bonds shall be considered as having terminated as of the effective date of the replacement certificate of insurance, surety bond or other security, if the replacement certificate, bond or other security is acceptable to the Authority under this chapter.

(g) *Refusal to accept, or revocation by the Authority of surety bonds.* The Authority may refuse to accept or may revoke its acceptance of a surety bond, certificate of insurance or other securities or agreements if, in its judgment, the security does not comply with this subchapter or fails to provide satisfactory or adequate protection for the public. Revocation of acceptance of a certificate of insurance, surety bond or other security does not relieve the regulated party from compliance with this subchapter.

(h) *Compliance.* Failure to maintain evidence of insurance on file with the Authority in accordance with this chapter shall cause the rights and privileges issued to the regulated party to be placed out of service immediately as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation). The Authority may establish rules under which suspended rights and privileges may be temporarily reinstated pending compliance with this subpart.

### **§1025.3. Insurance required.**

(a) A regulated party may not engage in taxicab service and the certificate of public convenience will not be issued or remain in force, except as provided in §1025.4 (relating to applications to self-insure) until there has been filed with and approved by the Authority a certificate of insurance by an insurer authorized to do business in this Commonwealth, to provide for the payment of valid accident

claims against the insured for bodily injury to or the death of a person, or the loss of or damage to property of others resulting from the operation, maintenance or use of a taxicab in the insured authorized service.

(b) The liability insurance maintained by a taxicab certificate holder shall be in an amount not less than \$50,000 to cover liability for bodily injury, death or property damage incurred in an accident arising from authorized service. The \$50,000 minimum coverage is split coverage in the amounts of \$20,000 bodily injury per person, \$40,000 bodily injury per accident and \$10,000 property damage per accident. This coverage shall include first party medical benefits in the amount of \$25,000 and first party wage loss benefits in the amount of \$25,000 for passengers and pedestrians. Except as to the required amount of coverage, these benefits shall conform to 75 Pa.C.S. §§1701—1799.7 (relating to Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law). First party coverage of the taxicab driver of taxicabs shall meet the requirements of 75 Pa.C.S. §1711 (relating to required benefits).

(c) The certificate holder's loss history with a current or former insurer shall be released to the Authority within two business days of a request by the Authority. The certificate holder shall authorize any release required by the insurer to facilitate the timely delivery of the loss history to the Authority.

(d) The Authority may direct insurers to file proof of insurance both electronically and in hard copy.

(e) The limits in subsections (b) do not include the insurance of cargo.

#### **§1025.4. Applications to self-insure.**

(a) A taxicab or limousine certificate holder may file an application with the Authority to act as self-insurer of all or part of its bodily injury, property damage or cargo damage claims. In support of its application, the applicant shall submit a true and accurate statement of its financial condition which establishes its capability to satisfy its insurance obligations as they become due, a self-insurance plan which includes adequate security to protect the public and a description of its safety program including its past accident record. A self-insurance applicant shall agree in the application to grant the Authority power to rescind approval of self-insurer status, without hearing, if the Authority determines that the public interest demands it.

(b) In reviewing self-insurance applications the Authority will examine the following factors in determining whether approval will be granted:

(1) The net worth of the certificate holder in relationship to the size of its operation and the nature and extent of its request for self-insurer status. The evidence shall demonstrate the certificate holder's financial capability to adjust



and pay insurance obligations as they become due before approval will be granted.

(2) The organization of the certificate holder's proposed self-insurance program including the adequacy of security to protect the public. Security may be in the form, but is not limited to, one or more of the following:

- (i) Reserves.
- (ii) Sinking funds.
- (iii) Third party financial guarantees.
- (iv) Parent company or affiliate sureties.
- (v) Excess insurance coverage.
- (vi) Other similar arrangements.

(3) The effectiveness of the certificate holder's safety program. The Authority will look closely at the average number and average cost of accident losses over the past three years in determining whether self-insurance is feasible.

(c) Authority approval of a self-insurance application may be made conditional on revisions in the applicant's proposed self-insurance plan, safety program or standards for adjustment and payment of claims, as well as requirements of periodic financial filings with the Authority.

(d) Authority approval of self-insurance status is subject to the issuance of a self-insurance certificate to the motor carrier by the Department of Transportation as required by 67 Pa. Code § 223.5 (relating to certificate) for vehicles registered in this Commonwealth.

#### **§1025.5. Standards for adjustment and payment of claims.**

Common carriers by motor vehicle, who are responsible to the public for adjustment or payment of bodily injury, property damage or cargo damage claims, or both, shall comply with fair claims settlement and compromise practices. The following practices are prohibited:

- (1) Misrepresenting pertinent facts relating to claims at issue.
- (2) Failing to acknowledge and act promptly upon written or oral communications with respect to insurance claims.

- (3) Failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation of claims.
- (4) Refusing to pay claims without conducting a reasonable investigation based upon available information.
- (5) Failing to affirm or deny responsibility for claims within a reasonable time after proof of loss statements have been completed and communicated to the carrier or its representative.
- (6) Not attempting in good faith to effectuate prompt, fair and equitable settlements of claims in which the carrier's liability has become reasonably clear.
- (7) Compelling persons to institute litigation to recover amounts due by offering substantially less than the amounts due and ultimately recovered in actions brought by those persons.
- (8) Making claim payments to claimants not accompanied by a statement defining which payments are being made.
- (9) Making known to claimants a policy of appealing from arbitration awards in favor of claimants to induce or compel them to accept settlements or compromises less than the amount awarded in arbitration.
- (10) Delaying the investigation or payment of claims by requiring a physician to submit a preliminary claim report and then requiring the subsequent submission of formal proof of loss forms, both of which submissions contain substantially the same information.
- (11) Failing to promptly provide a reasonable explanation in relation to the facts or applicable law for denial of a claim or for the offer of a compromise settlement.

#### **§1025.6. Additional requirements.**

- (a) Providers of policies of insurance and surety bonds must summarize as a separate attachment from its policy any and all deviations of the policy from the standard ISO form. The insurer shall have the insured sign the attachment to the policy.
- (b) If a provider of a policy of insurance or surety bond is a surplus lines carrier, a form 1609-PR of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department must be submitted along with the Form E. The Authority reserves the right to have surplus line carriers demonstrate denial of coverage from insurance carriers that the Authority may be aware is providing admitted coverage, if any.

# CHAPTER 1027.

## SALE OF RIGHTS

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### §1027.1. Purpose.

This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for the sale of certain rights issued by the Authority.

### §1027.2. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Medallion taxicab certificate*—A certificate granting the owner the right to operate one or more medallion taxicabs pursuant to this part.

*Partial-rights taxicab certificate*—A certificate granting the owner the right to operate one or more partial-rights taxicabs pursuant to this part.

*Transferable rights*—Only the following rights are transferable:

- (1) A certificate of public convenience to provide partial-rights taxicab service.
- (2) A certificate of public convenience to provide dispatching services.

(3) A medallion.

(4) A limousine certificate of public convenience pursuant to Subpart C (relating to limousines)

*Sale*—Any change in ownership of a transferable right, including a change in ownership of securities or other ownership interests in an entity that owns transferable rights.

*Transfer fee*—The non-refundable fee charged by the Authority to review an application to sell transferable rights.

**§1027.3. Authority approval of sale of rights.**

(a) *Sale of transferable rights.* The sale of transferable rights without advance approval of the Authority is void by operation of law.

(b) *Sale of securities in transferable rights.* The sale of any number of securities or other ownership interest in an entity that owns transferable rights will be considered a sale under this chapter.

(c) The Authority may assign a new certificate number to the rights sold to an approved buyer.

**§1027.4. Certificate required for medallion sales.**

(a) The proposed buyer of a medallion must own a medallion taxicab certificate on or before the date of transfer.

(b) A proposed buyer that does not own a medallion taxicab certificate on the date the Sale Application is filed shall request a new medallion taxicab certificate through the Sale Application as provided in §1027.6 (relating to application for sale transferable rights).

**§1027.5. Agreement of sale.**

(a) The parties to a proposed sale of transferable rights shall complete an agreement of sale detailing the terms of the transaction, including provisions required by this chapter, and file the agreement with the Director.

(b) An agreement of sale for transferable rights is void by operation of law if not executed by all parties in the presence of the Director or his designee.

**§1027.6. Application for sale of transferable rights.**

*(a) Application documents.*

(1) To initiate a sale, the owner and proposed buyer shall file an original and two copies of Form No. SA-1 "Sale Application", the agreement of sale or transfer and other documents required by this chapter. The proposed buyer will be considered the applicant. The SA-1 is available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(2) The SA-1 must be filed in person with the Director.

(3) The Director will refuse to accept an application which is incomplete for any reason.

(4) Upon acceptance, the Director will submit a copy of the application documents to the Clerk and an application docket number will be assigned.

*(b) Application signatures.*

(1) Both parties to the sale shall execute the SA-1 in the presence of the Director or his designee.

(2) Except for individuals, an original executed and notarized resolution from the buyer and seller authorizing the execution of the sale documents must be included with the filing of the SA-1.

(3) The Authority may permit an SA-1 to be executed by an attorney-in-fact if the owner or proposed buyer are unable to appear and as provided in §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney), in which case the owner will be required to attend the closing on the sale.

(c) *Verification and payment.* The SA-1 must be verified pursuant to §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and shall be accompanied by payment of the transfer fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule).

(d) *Multiple rights.* The SA-1 may be used to sell an unlimited number of transferable rights from one owner to one proposed buyer. The transfer fee required by subsection (c) will be based on the higher of the aggregate value of the sale or the transfer fee for each right as provided in the Authority's fee schedule.

(e) *Broker.* Documents intended for submission to the Director as part of the sale process must be prepared by a broker registered with the Authority as provided in Chapter 1029 (relating to brokers) or an attorney admitted to practice law by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

**§1027.7. Required application information.**

(a) *The Form SA-1.* The SA-1 is a multipurpose form intended for use in the sale of different transferable rights and must be completed by the broker or attorney, or both, in a manner consistent with the intentions of the sale. For example, an SA-1 used only for the sale of a partial-rights certificate need not complete the portion of the application which seeks medallion numbers.

(b) *Required information.* Except as provided in subsection (a), the completed SA-1 must include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) The medallion number(s).
- (2) The certificate number(s).
- (3) The name of the proposed buyer and contact information, including a telephone number, an email address and a facsimile number.
- (4) If the proposed buyer is a non-individual person, a contemporaneous certificate of good standing for the proposed buyer issued by the Pennsylvania Corporate Bureau within 30 days of filing the SA-1.
- (5) The name of any holding company as defined by §1011.2 (relating to definitions) having an interest in the proposed buyer and a contemporaneous certificate of good standing for the holding company from the Pennsylvania Corporate Bureau, or similarly authorized entity in another jurisdiction in the United States of America.
- (6) The trade name, if any, of the proposed buyer and a copy of the trade name registration certificate, if applicable.
- (7) The mailing address and physical address of the proposed buyer.
- (8) A statement of the proposed buyer's corporate purpose, if applicable.
- (9) A list, including name, home address and telephone numbers for current corporate officers, directors, stockholders, key employees and persons with controlling interests as defined by §1011.2, if applicable.
- (10) A list of all Authority, PUC and federal common carrier rights held by the proposed buyer and any of the persons listed in response to paragraph (9), including taxicab medallions.

(11) The name, address, telephone number, facsimile number and email address of any attorney assisting the proposed buyer with the application process, together with an acknowledgement that §1029.3 (relating to use of attorney) has been reviewed by the proposed buyer.

(12) A certified criminal history report from any jurisdiction in which the following persons have lived, including part-time residences, in the preceding five years through the date of application:

(i) An individual proposed buyer.

(ii) Any individual with a controlling interest in the proposed buyer.

(iii) Any individual with a controlling interest in the holding company of a proposed buyer.

(iv) A key employee.

(13) A verified statement indicating that the persons identified in paragraph (11) have not been subject to a conviction as defined in §1011.2 (relating to definitions) and that the proposed buyer has read and understands the prohibitions of ownership as provided in §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).

(14) Verified statements from the owner and proposed buyer confirming that each are in compliance with section §1011.7 (relating payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(15) The federal tax identification number for the following persons:

(i) The owner of the rights.

(ii) The proposed buyer.

(iii) Persons with a controlling interest in the owner or a proposed buyer.

(iv) Key employees of an owner or proposed buyer.

(16) The Philadelphia Business Privilege License numbers issued to the owner and proposed buyer.

(17) The Authority may require the owner to prove ownership of the right or rights subject to sale.

**§1027.8. Additional application requirements.**

(a) *The agreement of sale.* The agreement of sale required by this chapter must include the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) All parties to the transaction.
- (2) A description of the transaction.
- (3) The identification number of each right subject to sale.

(4) The total consideration for the sale and for each right transferred if the sale involves multiple rights in United States Dollars, and any payment terms required by the Authority, including the following:

- (i) The assumption of any loan or debt.
- (ii) Contingencies and non-monetary consideration.
- (iii) Monetary consideration.

(5) An acknowledgement initialed by all parties that the agreement is subject to the laws and jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, the act, this part and orders of the Authority.

(b) *Execution of agreement of sale.*

(1) The proposed agreement of sale must be signed at one time by all parties before the Director or his designee on or before the date the SA-1 is filed.

(2) In emergency situations the Authority may permit an agreement of sale to be executed by an attorney-in-fact if the owner or proposed buyer are unable to appear and as provided in §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney). The emergency must present an unexpected and complete impediment to the signor's ability to adhere to paragraph (1). For example, a party will not be permitted to use a power of attorney because the necessary signor lives a great distance from Philadelphia or is out of the country or on vacation.

(c) *Removal of liens.* If a notice of lien relating to a medallion which is the subject of a proposed sale was filed pursuant to 13 Pa.C.S. (relating to commercial code), the Authority will not approve a medallion sale until evidence of a lien's removal is submitted, unless the Authority is notified by the lienholder that the lien will be satisfied from the proceeds of the sale.



(d) *Continuing service.* The owner of the rights subject to sale shall confirm that the rights will remain in active service pending review of the application, unless prohibited or authorized for suspension by a provision of this part or an order of the Authority.

(e) *Notice.*

(1) Notice of applications will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* as provided in §1003.32 (relating to applications requiring notice).

(2) The parties to the sale will receive notices related to the SA-1 as provided in §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).

(f) *Loan documents.*

(1) Any consideration identified in subsection (a)(4) that is provided to a proposed buyer must be evidenced in the form of written agreements. For example, the loaning of cash money to a proposed buyer by a bank must be confirmed through loan documents executed by the borrowing party.

(2) All documents required by paragraph (1) must be submitted to the Director at the time the SA-1 is filed, except that specific financial information that can not be known until on or about the closing date for the sale may be left blank. The final loan documents must be executed at the closing on the sale.

#### **§1027.9. Financial fitness generally.**

(a) The Authority will review the financial fitness of the proposed buyer, including a review of the following:

(1) For proposed buyers of medallions or partial-rights certificates, bank statements of the proposed buyer or the bank statements of the holder of the stock or membership certificate evidencing ownership of a bank account holding not less than the greater of \$5,000 or two percent of the sale price in unencumbered and available funds. The funds under review must have been in the bank account for a period of not less than six months.

(2) For proposed buyers of dispatcher certificates, bank statements of the proposed buyer or the bank statements of the holder of the stock or membership certificate evidencing ownership of a bank account holding not less than the greater of \$25,000 or two percent of the sale price in unencumbered and available funds. The funds under review must have been in the bank account for a period of not less than six months.

(3) The credit report of each of the persons identified in §1027.7 (b)(11) (relating to required application information) evidencing a credit score of at least 600 for each person.

(4) The absence of any outstanding and unappealed civil judgments against each of the parties required to submit a criminal history report pursuant to §1027.7 (b)(11).

(5) The Authority may require the submission of additional financial information necessary to determine the financial fitness of a proposed buyer.

**§1027.10. Regulatory compliance review.**

(a) An SA-1 will be denied if the proposed buyer has a regulatory compliance record with the Authority or the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission which evidences a disregard for the public interest.

(b) The SA-1 will be denied if the proposed buyer or any person with a controlling interest in the proposed buyer or a key employee of the proposed buyer has been subject to the suspension, revocation or cancellation of rights issued by the Authority or common carrier rights issued by the PUC during the one-year period immediately preceding the date the SA-1 was filed with the Authority.

**§1027.11. Authority review.**

(a) Notice of sale will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

(b) The SA-1 will be reviewed as provided in §1003.30 (relating to applications generally).

(c) The SA-1 will be denied if the proposed buyer or any person with a controlling interest in the proposed buyer or a key employee of the proposed buyer is in violation of any provision of this part or if the Authority determines that the sale is not in the public interest. The SA-1 may be denied if the owner is in violation of any provision of this part.

(d) The Authority will review the terms of any loan associated with an SA-1 and deny the application in the following circumstances:

(1) The terms of any loan associated with a SA-1 are likely to lead to a condition of default by the proposed buyer. The Authority will specifically review the following provisions of any loan agreement to assure it does not conflict with the public interest:

(i) The term.

(ii) The interest rate or rates, including any adjustable rate or balloon provisions.

(iii) Late payment grace periods.

(iv) Conditions of default.

(v) Periods in which defaults may be cured.

(vi) The qualifications, experience and history of the lender related to commercial loans and loans to public utilities.

**§1027.12. Approval process and closing on sale.**

(a) If the Director determines that a proposed buyer of rights is qualified as provided in the act, this part or an order of the Authority, a recommendation to approve the sale will be presented to the Authority for approval at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Authority may require that proposals from the Director as provided in this section first be presented to a committee of the Board at a public meeting.

(b) Upon approval of the sale by the Authority, the Director will schedule the parties to meet at a time and location where an Authority staff member will witness the closing of the transaction.

(c) An Authority staff member must witness the execution of each document by the owner and proposed buyer, or their designated agents. Any closing not witnessed by Authority staff is void as provided in sections 5711 (c)(5) and 5718 of the act (relating to power of authority to issue certificates of public convenience; and restrictions).

(d) If the subject of the sale is a medallion that is the only medallion issued to the owner's medallion taxicab certificate, that certificate will be cancelled upon completion of the closing on the sale of the medallion. For example, if the owner of only one medallion seeks to sell the medallion through the process provided in this chapter, the owner's medallion taxicab certificate will be cancelled upon closing on the sale of the medallion.

(e) The Authority will issue a new medallion taxicab certificate to the new medallion owner as part of the closing process if requested by the proposed buyer as provided in §1027.4(b) (relating to certificate required for medallion sales).

(f) A medallion subject to a completed closing may not be transferred or sold for one year from the date of closing.

**§1027.13. Settlement sheet.**

(a) The owner and proposed buyer shall use the Form SA-2 "Standard Settlement Sheet" at any closing on the sale of rights. The SA-2 is available on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) The SA-2 must include the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) The names and addresses of the owner and proposed buyer.
- (2) The names and address of the brokers or attorneys used in the transaction.
- (3) The name and address of the lender and a designated contact person employed by the lender, if any.
- (4) A copy of all certificates or other documents authorizing the lender to make commercial loans in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- (5) The amount, term and interest rate of any loan used to purchase the rights.
- (6) The medallion number(s).
- (7) The certificate number(s).
- (8) The total consideration for the rights to be sold and any payment terms, including loan contingencies and non-monetary consideration.
- (9) An allocation of funds expended in the transaction.
- (10) All fees and costs associated with the sale, including those payable to any broker or attorney, or both.
- (11) Signatures of the owner and proposed buyer, or their designated agents, and the brokers.

**§1027.14. Attachment of medallion.**

Upon the completion of the closing on the sale of a medallion the Enforcement Department will schedule a date and time to attach the medallion to the taxicab designated by the owner in a manner consistent with §1013.2 (relating to attachment of a medallion).

**§1027.15. Commencement of service.**

A regulated party shall, within 30 days from the date of receipt of a certificate, begin operating and furnishing service. If it has not commenced operating and furnishing the authorized service within 30 days, appropriate proceedings shall be initiated to terminate the certificate unless, upon advanced written permission as provided in §1011.14 (relating to voluntary suspension of certificate), the time for commencement of service is extended.

## **CHAPTER 1029. BROKERS**

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**§1029.1. Purpose and definitions.**

(a) This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for the registration of individuals as brokers for the sale and transfer of medallions and certificates. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the provisions of this

chapter shall apply to the sale of certificates of public convenience or medallions as provided by this subpart and Subpart C (relating to limousines).

(b) An individual authorized to act as a broker by the Authority on the date these regulations are published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* shall immediately comply with the requirements of this chapter and complete the training required by §1029.6 (relating to broker training) before the first registration renewal required by §1011.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).

(c) The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

- *Broker*—An individual authorized by the Authority through current registration to prepare application related documents, appear at settlement and otherwise act on behalf of a party as to matters related to the sale of transferable rights.

**§1029.2. Use of broker.**

(a) A broker shall be used by the parties to the sale of rights, except as provided in §1029.3 (relating to use of attorney). A single broker may represent both parties in a transaction. The Authority shall maintain a list of brokers, which may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) No person may act as a broker without having been registered by the Authority pursuant to this chapter.

**§1029.3. Use of attorney.**

Any party may use an attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in lieu of a broker.

**§1029.4. Ineligible persons for broker certification.**

An applicant is ineligible to be a broker if in violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following:

(1) Upon conviction or arrest as provided in §1011.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).

(2) The applicant does not speak, read and write the English language sufficiently to draft and review transactional documents as required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(3) The applicant provides false information in any document submitted to the Authority.

(4) The applicant is in violation of §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(5) The applicant is 20 years of age or younger.

(6) The applicant has failed to satisfactorily complete broker training and testing as provided in this chapter.

#### **§1029.5. Broker registration.**

(a) *General.* In order to obtain a broker registration an individual must complete and file a Form BR-1 "Broker Application", along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority; and Authority fee schedule). The BR-1 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) *BR-1 application.* The completed BR-1 must be verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and be filed with the Director in person and include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) The name of the applicant and contact information, including a mailing address, a telephone number, an email address and a facsimile number.

(2) A list of all Authority rights, common carrier rights issued by the PUC, and other transportation rights issued by any jurisdiction outside of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in which the applicant has any controlling interest.

(3) The name, address, telephone number, facsimile number and email address of any attorney or broker, or both, assisting the applicant through the Authority's broker registration process.

(4) A complete certified criminal history report as provided §1011.2 (relating to definitions), including any jurisdiction in which the following individuals have lived during the last 5 years:

(i) The applicant.

(ii) Each key employee of the applicant.

(5) A written statement verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit), which provides the following:

(i) That the applicant and each key employee have not been subject to a conviction as provided in §1011.2 (relating to definitions).

(ii) That the applicant and each key employee are in compliance with §1011.7 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(iii) That the applicant and each key employee are current on all reports due in relation to other rights issued by the Authority.

(iv) That the applicant can comply with the requirements of this chapter.

(6) A completed original of Form No. BR-5 "Business Experience Questionnaire". A copy of the DSP-3 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(7) The applicant's Social Security Number.

(8) The Philadelphia Business Privilege License numbers issued to the applicant.

(9) A copy of the applicant's Social Security card or documents confirming a legal permanent resident status or an alien authorized to work status, if applicable.

(10) The applicant's driver's license or other government issued photographic identification.

(11) A resume detailing the applicant's work history for the five years preceding the filing of the BR-1 and qualifications to be brokers.

#### **§1029.6. Broker training.**

(a) Upon submission of a BR-1 application pursuant to §1029.5 (relating to broker registration) an applicant will be scheduled by the Authority to attend an in-class training program. The Authority, or its authorized agent, will conduct the training.

(b) Broker training will consist of a minimum of two hours of instruction developed to address all areas of the Authority's regulations with emphasis on the following subjects:

(1) Eligibility to be a certificate owner, dispatcher and medallion owner.

(2) The forms and records required to complete a sale of rights.



(3) An overview of frequently encountered subjects in the Authority's regulations, including the following:

(i) Authority regulations governing certificate owners.

(ii) Authority regulations governing equipment.

(iii) Penalties for violation of Authority regulations.

(iv) An overview of the administrative process related to the sale of rights.

(v) The identification and address of the Authority office responsible for administering the act.

**§1029.7. Broker testing.**

(a) Upon written notification from the Authority confirming the applicant's completion of broker training pursuant to §1029.6 (relating to broker training), the applicant will be scheduled by the Authority for broker testing.

(b) The broker test will focus on the subjects addressed during broker training.

(c) The Authority will develop a test to assure that applicants for broker registration understand the information presented during training as provided in §1029.6 (relating to broker training).

(d) The test will be administered in the English language. The assistance of interpreters will not be permitted.

(e) Except as limited by this chapter, the test may be administered in a manner and in a form deemed appropriate by the Authority. The test may include:

(1) Questions requiring a written response.

(2) Multiple choice questions.

(3) Oral questions.

(4) The demonstration of an ability to complete all of the documents necessary to sell transferable rights.

(5) The demonstration of an ability to read, write and speak the English language as required by this part.

(d) An applicant may take the test required by this chapter more than three times.

(e) Failure to pass the test required by this section within 90 days of the filing of the BR-1 application as provided in §1029.5 (relating to broker registration) will render the application void.

(f) Upon the denial or voiding of a BR-1 as provided in this chapter an applicant may not reapply for registration for a period of six months.

**§1029.8. Broker registration approval.**

(a) In the event the BR-1 and related broker application documents demonstrate that the applicant is in compliance with the Authority's regulations and the applicant has passed the broker testing pursuant to §1029.7 (relating to broker testing), the Authority will issue a broker registration letter to the applicant and place the applicant's name on the list of brokers maintained by the Authority.

(b) The broker registration letter will confirm the individual's broker status with the Authority and list an expiration date, which will be one year from the date of issuance, and contain such other information and guidance as the Authority deems appropriate.

(c) The broker registration letter must be displayed prominently in the broker's office.

(d) The broker registration letter may be served upon the broker by email.

**§1029.9. Broker representation letter.**

A broker retained by a party to a sale of rights subject to the act shall file Form BR-2 "Broker Representation Letter" with the Authority on or before the date a sale application is filed with the Authority. The BR-2 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

**§1029.10. Broker agreements required.**

(a) A broker must have a written agreement with each client that clearly identifies the broker's client or clients, the scope of services to be performed and the consideration to be paid by each client upon completion of the closing on the sale as provide §1027.12 (related to approval process and closing on sale).

(b) A broker shall confirm that a power of attorney signed by a client complies with §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney).

(c) A broker shall not offer an Authority issued right for sale unless authorized in advance and in writing by the owner of the right.

(d) A broker agreement that creates an exclusive listing relationship must include as a signed and notarized addendum Form BR-3 "Broker Exclusive Listing" to confirm the understanding of a broker's client or clients that an exclusive relationship exists and its term. The BR-3 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). An exclusive listing may not be extended beyond the termination date set forth in the BR-3 unless a new BR-3 is signed and dated by the client as provided in this section.

(e) In the event that a broker intends on participating in a sale of rights as an insurance broker, automobile dealer or in some other capacity in addition to that of a broker, the exact nature of the non-broker roll, and the consideration associated with that roll, must be disclosed in writing to the broker's client and filed with the Authority along with the BR-2. If the non-broker roll is developed after the filing of the BR-2, the disclosure must be made to the client and filed with the Authority immediately.

#### **§1029.11. Professional liability insurance.**

(a) A broker shall continuously maintain professional liability insurance in the amount of \$3,000,000 including coverage for errors and omissions caused by the broker's negligence in the performance of duties with limits of liability of \$1,000,000 per incident and \$3,000,000 aggregate from an insurer authorized to do business in this Commonwealth.

(b) A broker registration will not be issued or renewed unless confirmation of required insurance has been filed with the Authority as provided in §1025.2 (relating to insurance forms and procedures).

#### **§1029.12. Broker duties.**

(a) The following duties are owed by a broker to a client in the sale of rights subject to the act and may not be waived:

(1) Exercise reasonable professional skill and care.

(2) Deal honestly and in good faith and maintain confidentiality.

(3) Present, in a reasonably practicable period of time, all offers, counteroffers, notices and communications to and from the parties in writing, unless the rights at issue are subject to an existing SA-1 and the seller has agreed in a written waiver.

(4) Provide advanced written disclosure in a reasonably practicable period of time of all conflicts of interest and financial interests required by this chapter.

(5) Advise the client to seek expert advice on matters about the sale that are beyond the broker's expertise.

(6) Ensure that all services are provided in a reasonable, professional and competent manner.

(7) Keep the client informed about offers to purchase rights, the sale and tasks to be completed.

(8) Provide assistance with document preparation.

(9) Advise the client about compliance with laws and regulations pertaining to the rights at issue without rendering legal advice.

(10) Provide a copy of all documents prepared or maintained by the broker on behalf of the client to the client at or before the date the sale closes or otherwise immediately upon request.

**§1029.13. Disclosure of interest.**

(a) A broker may only participate in a transaction involving rights subject to the act in which the broker has an interest after first disclosing that interest in writing to all parties concerned.

(b) A broker may not represent, or purport to represent, more than one party to a sale of rights subject to the act without the written consent of all parties concerned.

(c) A broker who provides financial services, insurance or mechanical repair services may not require a client to use any of these services.

(d) If the client chooses to use any of the services referenced in paragraph (c), the broker shall provide the client with a written disclosure of any financial interest, including a referral fee or commission that the broker may earn. The disclosure required by this paragraph must be made at the time the broker first advises the client that an ancillary service is available or when the broker first learns that the client will be using the service.

(e) A broker has a continuing obligation to disclose to a client, any conflict of interest in a reasonably practicable period of time after the broker learns or should have learned of the conflict of interest.

**§1029.14. Broker conduct and obligations.**

(a) A broker may not give assurances or advice concerning an aspect of rights subject to sale that the broker knows, or reasonably should be expected to know, is incorrect, inaccurate or improbable.

(b) A broker is not required to independently verify the accuracy or completeness of any representation made by the clients to a sale which the broker reasonably believes to be accurate and reliable.

(c) A broker is not liable for the acts of a client unless the client is acting at the express direction of the broker or as a result of a representation by a broker reasonably relied on by the client.

(d) A broker shall keep and maintain records related to its clients and each sale in which it participates in any manner as provided in §1011.11 (relating to record retention), including the following records:

- (1) The names and addresses of buyers, sellers, lenders or lienholders, if any.
- (2) The purchase price.
- (3) Amount of deposit paid on contract.
- (4) Amount of commission paid to broker.
- (5) Expenses of procuring financing, if any.
- (6) Closing statements.

(e) Upon suspension or cancellation of a broker's registration with the Authority, no other broker may use the services of the former broker, as an employee or otherwise, to perform broker related services.

(f) Any advertisement placed by a broker related to the sale of rights subject to the act must indicate that the advertiser is a registered broker. A broker may not use deceptive or misleading advertising.

**§1029.15. Duty to deposit money belonging to another into escrow account.**

A broker shall deposit money that the broker receives belonging to another into an escrow account in a Federally or State-insured bank or depository to be held pending consummation of the sale of rights subject to the act or a prior termination thereof that does not involve a dispute between the parties to the sale, at which time the broker shall pay over the full amount to the party entitled to receive it.

**§1029.16. Nonwaiver of escrow duty.**

A broker's escrow duty may not be waived or altered by an agreement between the parties to the sale, between the broker and the parties, or between the broker and other brokers who may be involved in the sale.

**§1029.17. Deadline for depositing money into escrow account.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a broker shall deposit money belonging to another into one escrow account by the end of the next business day following its receipt in the broker's office.

(b) If the money of another has been tendered to the broker in the form of a check under an offer to purchase or lease a right subject to the act, the broker may, with the written permission of both the buyer and the seller or the lessee and the lessor, refrain from depositing the money into an escrow account by the deadline in subsection (a) pending the seller's or lessor's acceptance of the offer. In such cases, the broker shall deposit the check into an escrow account within one business day of the seller's or lessor's acceptance of the offer.

(c) A broker shall notify each client of the bank's name, address and the account number of each account holding escrowed funds related to the sale.

(d) Upon request, a broker shall notify the owner of the escrowed funds of the name, address and account number of the account holding in escrow. For purposes of this subsection, the owner of the escrowed funds is the party that provided the funds to the broker for placement in escrow.

**§1029.18. Escrow account.**

(a) A broker escrow account shall:

(1) Be maintained in a Federally- or State-insured bank or recognized depository.

(2) Designate the broker as trustee.

(3) Provide for the withdrawal of funds without prior notice.

(4) Be used exclusively for escrow purposes.

(b) If money is expected to be held in escrow for more than six months, the broker is encouraged to deposit the money into an interest-bearing escrow account. Interest earned on an escrow account shall be held and disbursed, pro rata, in the same manner as the principal amount, unless the parties to the transaction direct otherwise by agreement. A broker may not claim the interest earned on an escrow account.

(c) Upon request, a broker shall provide the Authority with its records related to any escrow accounts maintained during the past five years or authorize the release of such records by each bank or recognized depository.

**§1029.19. Prohibition against commingling or misappropriation.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a broker may not commingle money that is required to be held in escrow or interest earned on an escrow account, with business, personal or other funds.

(b) A broker may deposit business or personal funds into an escrow account to cover service charges assessed to the account by the bank or depository where the account is located or to maintain a minimum balance in the account as required by the regulations of the bank or depository.

(c) A broker may not misappropriate money that is required to be held in escrow or interest earned on an escrow account, for business, personal or other purposes.

**§1029.20. Procedure when entitlement to money held in escrow is disputed.**

If a dispute arises between the parties to a sale over entitlement to money that is being held in escrow by a broker, the broker shall retain the money in escrow until the dispute is resolved. If resolution of the dispute appears remote without legal action, the broker may, following 30 days' notice to the parties, petition the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas to interplead the rival claimants.

**§1029.21. Escrow records.**

(a) A broker shall keep records of monies received by him that are required to be held in escrow and shall produce the records for examination by the Authority or its authorized representatives upon written request. The records must contain the following information:

(1) The name of the party from whom the broker received the money.

(2) The name of the party to whom the money belongs.

(3) The name of the party for whose account the money is deposited.

(4) The date the broker received the money.

(5) The date the broker deposited the money into the escrow account.

(6) The date the broker withdrew the money from the escrow account.

**§1029.22. Broker in possession of medallion.**

In the event a medallion has been deposited with a broker, the broker shall deliver the medallion to the Authority for placement into storage within 48 hours of receipt.

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### **§1051.1. Purpose.**

This subpart establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for limousine service in Philadelphia.

### **§1051.2. Definitions.**

The following words and terms, when used in this subpart, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Act*—The Act of July 16, 2004, P.L. 758, No. 94 (relating to the regulation of taxicabs and limousines in cities of the first class).

*Arrest*—Detaining, holding, or taking into custody by police or other law enforcement authorities to answer for an alleged commission of an offense.

*Broker*—An individual authorized by the Authority through current registration to prepare application related documents, appear at settlement, and otherwise act on behalf of a party as to matters related to the sale of transferable rights.

*Certificate*—A certificate of public convenience issued by the Authority pursuant to the act. The term shall not include a driver's certificate or broker registration.

*Certificate holder*—The person to whom a certificate is issued.

*Common carrier*—A common carrier by motor vehicle, as defined in 66 Pa.C.S. §102 (relating to definitions), transporting passengers through a certificate issued by the Authority.

*Controlling interest*—

(i) A controlling interest is an interest in a legal entity, applicant or certificate holder if a person's voting rights under state law or corporate articles or bylaws entitle the person to elect or appoint one or more of the members of the board of directors or other governing board or the ownership or beneficial holding of five percent or more of the securities of the corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity, unless this presumption of control or ability to elect is rebutted by clear and convincing evidence. A member, partner, director, or officer of a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity, is deemed to have a controlling interest.

(ii) A person who owns or beneficially holds less than five percent of the securities of a privately held domestic or foreign corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of privately held legal entity shall be deemed as having rebutted the presumption of control by clear and convincing evidence.

*Conviction—*

(i) A finding of guilt or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere whether or not a judgment of sentence has been imposed as determined by the law of the jurisdiction in which the prosecution was held relating to any of the following:

(A) A felony.

(B) A crime involving moral turpitude.

(C) A crime requiring registration with the Pennsylvania State Police as provided in 42 Pa.C.S. §9795.1 (relating to registration) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(D) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(E) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 27 (relating to assault) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(F) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 29 (relating to kidnapping) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(G) A crime subject to prosecution pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. Chapter 31 (relating to sexual offenses) or similar statute in any other jurisdiction.

(ii) A crime resulting in an order of Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition, prior to successful completion of the terms of the order.

(iii) Except as provided in subparagraph (i) and (ii), the term does not include a misdemeanor or summary conviction or any conviction that has been expunged or overturned or for which an individual has been pardoned.

*Crime involving moral turpitude—*A crime determined by the Authority to be consistent with the provisions of 22 Pa. Code 237.9 (relating to crimes of moral turpitude).

*Director—*The Director of the Authority's Taxicab and Limousine Division as provided in §1003.52 (relating to TLD staffing generally).

*Driver history report—*A driver's license report containing details about a driver's history including accidents and violations issued by a jurisdiction within the United States of America.

*Driver's license*—A license or permit to operate a motor vehicle issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation or similarly authorized government entity in another jurisdiction of the United States of America.

*Enforcement Department*—The department of the TLD created pursuant to §1003.54 (related to Enforcement Department).

*Exclusive service*—Transportation on a given trip when the first or principal person, party or group hiring the vehicle has the exclusive right to determine where, when or if another passenger shall be carried on that trip.

*Federal tax identification number*—The Social Security number of an individual or the Employer Identification Number of a business entity, fiduciary or other person.

*Holding company*—A person, other than an individual, which, directly or indirectly, owns, has the power or right to control or to vote 20% or more of the outstanding voting securities of a corporation or other form of business organization. A holding company indirectly has, holds or owns any such power, right or security if it does so through an interest in a subsidiary or successive subsidiaries.

*Inspector*—Enforcement Department uniformed or non-uniformed staff assigned to investigate and enforce the act, this part and orders of the Authority who will be identifiable by an Authority issued badge number.

*Key employee*—An individual who is employed in a director or department head capacity and who is empowered to make discretionary decisions that affect the operations of an applicant, certificate holder, or other entity identified by the Authority.

*Limousine*—A vehicle meeting the definition provided in section 5701 of the act (relating to definitions).

*Limousine driver*—The individual to whom a current and valid limousine driver's certificate has been issued by the Authority pursuant to section 5706 of the act (relating to driver certification program).

*Limousine driver's certificate*—The original photographic identification card issued by the Authority which confirms that an individual has complied with chapter 1057 (relating to limousine drivers) and is authorized to provide limousine service pursuant to section 5706 of the act.

*Limousine service*—The transportation of passengers or offering to transport passengers in a limousine through a certificate or registration issued by the Authority.

*Manager of Administration*—The individual appointed to manage the Administration Department of the TLD as provided in §1003.52 (relating to TLD staffing generally). The Manager of Administration may be contacted at TLD Headquarters or by email at TLDAdmin@philpark.org.

*Manager of Enforcement*—The individual appointed to manage the Enforcement Department of the TLD as provided in §1003.54 (relating to Enforcement Department). The Manager of Enforcement may be contacted at TLD Headquarters or by email at TLDEnforcement@philpark.org

*Moving violations*—Any debt owed the Commonwealth or one its political subdivisions for violations of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S. §§101-9802), that is not under appeal.

*Proposed buyer*—The party seeking to acquire an ownership interest in a certificate.

*Parking violations*—Any debt owed to the City of Philadelphia related to a violation of the Philadelphia Traffic Code (12 Phila. Code §§100-3012), that is not under appeal.

*Regulated person*—A certificate holder, broker, limousine driver, or other person subject to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

*Rights*—A certificate of public convenience, driver's certificate, broker registration or other authorization issued to a regulated party by the Authority pursuant to the act.

*Stretched vehicle*—A vehicle altered from its originally manufactured condition to expand passenger capacity to 16 passengers or more, including the driver.

*Taxicab and Limousine Division or TLD*—The division of the Authority comprised of staff assigned to implement the purposes of the act, this part and the orders of the Authority.

*TLD Headquarters*—The office of the Taxicab and Limousine Division identified on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). Unless specifically provided otherwise, communications with any Authority staff member shall be directed to TLD Headquarters.

*Transfer fee*.—The fee paid to the Authority for its review of a sale application as provided in §1059 (relating to applications and sale of rights).

*Trial counsel*—An attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania who is assigned to the Office of Trial Counsel to prosecute

complaints on behalf of the Authority as provided in §1003.55 (relating to Office of Trial Counsel).

**§1051.3. Annual rights renewal process.**

(a) *Expiration of certificate.* All rights will expire annually, including the following:

(1) A certificate will expire on July 1 of each year.

(2) A limousine driver's certificate will expire one year from its date of issuance or renewal.

(b) *Expired rights.*

(1) Expired rights will be placed out of service and cancelled by the Authority as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).

(2) Limousine driver certificates that have been expired for 60 days or more will be deemed cancelled.

(c) *Renewal forms.*

(1) Rights issued by the Authority must be renewed by completing and filing the required renewal form with the Director. Renewal forms may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld) or from TLD Headquarters.

(2) The renewal forms may require the submission of additional information or documents in order to confirm continuing eligibility pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(3) The renewal forms must be verified as provide in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and filed as follows:

(A) For limousine certificates, Form LM-1 "Limousine Renewal" must be filed on or before May 15 of each year.

(B) For limousine drivers' certificates, Form DR-3 "Driver Renewal" must be filed 60 days before the expiration date printed on the limousine driver's certificate.

(d) *Renewal denial.* The Authority will deny renewal of rights in the following circumstances:

(1) If the owner of the rights subject to renewal fails to complete the renewal process.

(2) The renewal process reveals information about the renewing person or those with a controlling interest in the renewing person that would result in a denial of an initial application for the rights.

(3) The renewing person fails to comply with §1051.4 (relating to annual assessments and renewal fees).

#### **§1051.4. Annual assessments and renewal fees.**

(a) *Assessments and renewal fees.* The owners of rights issued by the Authority shall pay an annual assessment or renewal fee in an amount established each year pursuant to section 5707(b) of the act (relating to budget and fees) and as set forth in the Authority's annual fee schedule as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fees schedule).

(b) *Payment of assessments by certificate holders.* The annual assessment for certificate holders is due on or before June 30 of each year.

(c) *Payment of renewal fees by limousine drivers.* The annual renewal fee for limousine drivers is due with the filing of the DR-3 as provided in §1051.3 (c)(3)(B).

(d) *Late assessment or renewal fee payments.*

(1) An assessment or renewal fee payment will be considered late if not paid before 3 p.m. on the day it is due.

(2) Rights issued by the Authority will expire at the time an assessment payment becomes late and will be immediately placed out of service by the Authority as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).

#### **§1051.5. Ineligibility due to conviction or arrest.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e), a person is ineligible to own any interest in any right issued by the Authority if the person, or a person having a controlling interest over the person or a key employee, has been subject to a conviction as defined in §1051.2 (relating to definitions), in the past five years and for six months from the date the convicted person completes the sentence imposed, including incarceration, probation, parole and other forms of supervised release.

(b) In the event a regulated party owning a transferable right becomes ineligible to hold rights issued by the Authority due to a conviction, the regulated party shall immediately cease use of the rights and shall initiate the sale of the rights to an eligible person as provided in Chapter 1059 (relating to applications and sale of rights) within 180 days of the conviction.

(c) A regulated party shall inform the Director within 72 hours of being subject to an arrest or conviction as defined by §1051.2 (relating to definitions).

(d) In the event a criminal prosecution is initiated against a regulated party for a crime that may lead to a conviction as defined in §1051.2, the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel may initiate a formal complaint against the regulated party as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) and seek the immediate suspension of rights pending the conclusion of the criminal proceedings.

(e) A person subject to an order of Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition shall be ineligible to own any interest in any right issued by the Authority until the terms of the order have been completed.

**§1051.6. Payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes.**

(a) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall pay all assessments, fees, penalties, and other payments due to the Authority pursuant to the act, this part or an order of the Authority on schedule, unless the matter related to the payment is under appeal.

(b) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall remain current on the payment of parking violations and moving violations, unless the violation is under appeal.

(c) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall remain current on the payment of taxes due to the Commonwealth or City of Philadelphia, unless under appeal.

(d) Regulated persons and applicants for any right issued by the Authority shall hold and maintain a Business Privilege License issued by the City of Philadelphia and present a copy of the license to the Authority for inspection upon demand.

(e) For purposes of this section regulated persons and applicants include those with a controlling interest in the regulated person or applicant, or both, and key employees.

**§1051.7. Facility inspections.**

(a) All certificate holders and brokers shall make their operating locations available for inspection by the Authority. A facility inspection may be without prior notice.

**§1051.8. Limousine service limitations.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (c), only the following individuals may provide limousine service:

- (1) The owner, if the owner is a limousine driver.
- (2) An employee of the certificate holder who is a limousine driver.
- (3) A limousine driver who leases the limousine directly from the certificate holder.

(b) A certificate holder shall supervise its limousine to make certain that only those limousine drivers authorized by this section provide limousine service.

(c) This section does not apply to an individual hired by a funeral home to drive an Authority certified limousine for funeral related services. Such funeral service drivers may not be in violation of §1051.5 (related to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest), shall submit to a criminal background check by the TLD and evidence possession of a valid state issued driver's license.

**§1051.9. Discrimination in service.**

A regulated person may not refuse service to a member of the public on the basis of gender, sexual orientation, race, religious preference, nationality, age, point of origin, point of destination or to a person with a disability.

**§1051.10. Record retention.**

(a) Certificate holders and brokers shall maintain for five years all records required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, or otherwise kept in the ordinary course of business, in the English language and in a format capable of being easily produced to the Authority.

(b) Both paper and electronic records must be maintained in chronological order by date and time of day.

(c) Paper records required by this section must be stored in dry areas protected by a fire suppression system.

(d) Electronic records required by this section must be routinely copied and stored at a location that is separate by at least one mile from the office where the record originated.

(e) A regulated party shall produce records maintained pursuant to subsection (a) to the Authority upon request. In the event the records require a special form of



software to search or interpret, a regulate party shall make that software available to the Authority.

**§1051.11. Aiding or abetting violations.**

A person may not aid, abet, encourage or require a regulated party to violate the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

**§1051.12. Interruptions of service.**

(a) An interruption of limousine service for more than 48 hours shall be reported to the Director in writing within 72 hours of the beginning of the service interruption. The written statement must include the cause of interruption and its probable duration.

(b) Suspension of limousine service for 30 consecutive days without notice to the Authority will be deemed sufficient cause for cancellation of the rights of the limousine service, except if the suspension is caused by strike or labor difficulties, riot, insurrection, war, government decrees, an act of God or other good cause.

(c) An order of cancellation entered pursuant to this section will not issue until the certificate holder is given opportunity for a public hearing on a formal complaint as provided in §1005.10 (relating to formal complaints generally) as to why the rights should not be revoked and cancelled.

**§1051.13. Voluntary suspension of certificate.**

(a) A certificate holder may place a certificate in a voluntary state of suspension in order to avoid penalties for violation of §1051.12 (relating to interruptions of service) subject to the prior approval of the Director who may, in his sole or peculiar discretion as he deems appropriate, attach such conditions as he may find to be necessary or proper.

(b) A certificate may be placed in voluntary suspended status after a report is issued as provided in §1051.12 (relating to interruptions of service).

(c) A certificate may not be placed in voluntary suspended status for more than one year.

(d) To request approval from the Authority for the voluntary suspension a certificate, the certificate holder must file a completed a CPC-1 "Voluntary Suspension Application" with the Director and pay the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority and; Authority fee schedule). The CPC-1 may be obtained at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(e) Before a CPC-1 is granted a certificate holder must be in compliance with §1051.6 (regarding payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes) and pay the entire Authority assessment that will come due during the proposed period of voluntary suspension.

**§1051.14. Death or incapacitation of a certificate holder or certain persons with controlling interest.**

(a) *Definitions.* The following words and terms, when used in this section, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Incapacitation*—A determination by a court that an individual is incapacitated as provided in 20 Pa.C.S. §5511, or for non-Pennsylvania residents, a substantially similar order from a court of competent jurisdiction.

(b) *Death or incapacitation of an individual certificate holder.*

(1) Upon the death or incapacitation of an individual certificate holder, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder for six months.

(2) The legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder shall immediately begin the process of finding a qualified person to buy the certificate as provided in chapter 1059 (relating to applications and sale of rights), including the use of a broker or attorney. Nothing in this section will prohibit the legal representative from buying the certificate.

(3) In the event an SA-1 for the certificate is not duly filed, as provided in §1059 within 90 days of the date the certificate holder died or was declared incapacitated, the certificate will be placed out of service as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation) and may be cancelled upon determination of a formal complaint filed by the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel.

(4) In the event an SA-1 for the certificate is duly filed within 90 days of the date the certificate holder died or was declared incapacitated, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the legal representative of the deceased or incapacitated certificate holder for the duration of the SA-1 review period and through closing on the sale.

(c) *Death, incapacitation or dissolution of certain persons with controlling interest in a certificate.*

(1) Upon the death, incapacitation or dissolution of a person or persons that owns five percent or more of the certificate holder's securities, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue with the certificate holder for three months.

(2) The certificate holder shall immediately begin the process of finding a qualified person to buy the securities of the certificate holder referenced in paragraph (1) as provided in Chapter 1059 including the use of a broker or attorney. Nothing in this section will prohibit the certificate holder from reacquiring the securities of the person referenced in paragraph (1).

(3) In the event an SA-1 for the sale of the securities referenced in paragraph (1) is not duly filed as provided in §1059 within 90 days of the date of that person's or persons' death, incapacitation or dissolution, the certificate will be placed out of service as provided in §1003.12 and may be cancelled upon determination of a formal complaint filed by the Enforcement Department or Trial Counsel.

(4) In the event an SA-1 for the sale of the securities referenced in paragraph (1) is duly filed, as provided in §1059, within 90 days of the date of the person's death, incapacitation or dissolution, the rights conferred by the certificate shall continue for the duration of the SA-1 review period and through closing on the sale.

*(d) Ineligibility of successor or legal representative.*

This section may not be interpreted to permit the operation or use of Authority rights by a person otherwise prohibited from the ability to receive Authority rights. For example, the executor of the estate on a deceased individual certificate holder who would be ineligible to own Authority rights as provided in §1051.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest), may not operate or supervise the operation of the rights conferred by the certificate.

#### **§1051.15. Power of successors by law.**

(a) If a trustee, receiver, assignee, custodian or similar officer or officers is appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction, or is selected by creditors in accordance with provisions of law, with authority to take or retain possession and to operate the property and business of a certificate holder, the officer shall have authority to perform the service authorized in the certificate of the debtor certificate holder for a period of 90 days from his appointment or selection.

(b) The appointed officer may petition the Authority for authorization to exercise the rights conferred by the certificate for an additional period of time, and the Authority may, for good cause shown, grant authority.

(c) If the petition is filed within 60 days of the appointment or selection of the petitioner, the appointed officer shall have authority to exercise the rights conferred by the certificate pending a decision by the Authority on the petition. Pertinent orders or decrees of the court having jurisdiction may be deemed cause for the granting of petitions by the Authority.

#### **§1051.16. Limitations.**

Operations covered by §§1011.15 and 1011.16 (relating to death or incapacitation of a certificate holder or certain persons with controlling interest; and power of successors by law) are subject to the terms and conditions of the certificate of public convenience and may not be conducted without full compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including insurance coverage.

#### **§1051.17. Application review generally.**

Applications for rights required by this subpart will be reviewed as provided in §1003.30 (relating to applications generally).

#### **§1051.18. Method of operation.**

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the certificate of public convenience, a limousine shall have the rights and be subject to the conditions as follows:

- (1) To transport persons on an exclusive basis between points as authorized by the certificate, if the order for service is received in advance of the actual rendering of service and not by street hail.
- (2) To charge for service based upon use of a limousine with payment made by a single person or organization and not by passengers as individuals.
- (3) Direct, in-person solicitation of a passenger by the driver or a representative of the driver or certificate holder is prohibited.

## **CHAPTER 1053. STANDARD CLASSIFICATIONS OF LIMOUSINE SERVICE**

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## SUBCHAPTER A CLASSIFICATIONS

Sec.

1053.1            Standard classification of limousine service.

### **§1053.1. Standard classifications of limousine service.**

(a) The Authority will issue limousine certificates for the several standard classifications of service identified in this chapter. One limousine certificate will permit only one classification of limousine service.

(b) The following standard classification of types of limousine service is adopted, and the following is hereby recognized as a standard class of limousine service. A certificated service which does not completely correspond to a standard class may be governed, where practicable, by the regulations for the standard class to which it most nearly corresponds:

(1) *Luxury limousine service.* Local, nonscheduled common carrier by motor vehicle service for passengers rendered in luxury-type vehicles on an exclusive basis which is arranged for in advance. If the classification of limousine service does not strictly meet the classifications provided in paragraphs (2) or (3), the service will be deemed luxury limousine service.

(2) *Airport transfer service.* Common carrier service for passengers rendered on a nonexclusive basis which originates or terminates at an airport, railroad station or bus station located in whole or in part in Philadelphia.

(3) *Remote carriers*—A limousine duly operated by the holder of a certificate of public convenience from the PUC that engages in limousine service from any airport, railroad station and hotel located in whole or in part in Philadelphia to a location outside Philadelphia and which is without rights issued by the Authority as provided in section 5741(a.3) of the act (relating to certificate of public convenience required). For example, a limousine certified by the PUC to provide limousine service in areas outside of Philadelphia may provide that service from the Philadelphia International Airport without a certificate issued by the Authority, provided the to the requirements of this chapter are follow.

## **SUBCHAPTER B. LUXURY LIMOUSINE SERVICE**

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### **§1053.21. Purpose.**

This subchapter applies to luxury limousine service.

### **§1053.22. Method of operation.**

Unless otherwise specifically provided in this subpart or the certificate of public convenience, a common carrier operating luxury limousine service shall have the rights and be subject to the conditions as follows:

- (1) To transport persons on an exclusive basis between points as authorized by the certificate, if the order for service is received in advance of the actual rendering of service and not by street hail.
- (2) To charge for service based upon use of a limousine with payment made by a single person or organization and not by passengers as individuals.
- (3) Direct, in-person solicitation of a passenger by the driver or a representative of the driver or certificate holder, is prohibited.

### **§1053.23. Vehicle and equipment requirements.**

- (a) Luxury limousine service may be operated only in luxury type vehicles.

(b) Luxury type vehicles are vehicles manufactured or subsequently modified so that they have physical configurations and accessory features that are not considered as being ordinary, standard or commonplace in lower to moderately priced vehicles. Luxury type vehicles are intended to afford patrons a higher level of service and comfort than are ordinarily available in call or demand, paratransit and airport transfer services. To qualify as a luxury type vehicle, a vehicle must have at a minimum: air conditioning, AM/FM stereo radio, deluxe leather or deluxe fabric upholstery, deluxe wheels or wheel covers, four doors and a wheelbase of at least 109 inches. Other amenities which limousine service might afford are CD changer, internet access, reading lights, work desk or table, cellular phone, refrigerator, television, VCR, DVD player, extended wheelbase and privacy dividers.

**§1053.24. Consumer information.**

(a) To provide passengers with the necessary information to file a complaint, luxury limousine certificate holders shall post an Authority-issued complaint decal in a conspicuous location inside the vehicle which lists the telephone number and website to be used to lodge a complaint or provide the following notice on the receipt for service:

(b) For complaints and information, contact the Philadelphia Parking Authority's Taxicab and Limousine Division at (215) 683-9471 or [TLDenforcement@philapark.org](mailto:TLDenforcement@philapark.org). Include the company name and CPC# for all complaints.

**SUBCHAPTER C.  
AIRPORT TRANSFER  
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**§1053.31. Purpose.**

This subchapter applies airport transfer service..

**§1053.32. Method of operation.**

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the certificate of public convenience, a common carrier operating airport transfer service shall have rights and be subject to conditions as follows:

(1) To transport persons on a nonexclusive, individual charge basis from points authorized by the certificate to the airport specified by the certificate, and *vice versa*.

(2) Airport transfer service may be offered on a scheduled basis serving specified points according to a published time schedule or on a request basis with the origin or destination of the transportation to or from the airport arranged between the individual and the certificate holder, or on both bases. A material change in a time schedule shall be posted at terminals and in vehicles engaged in

service affected by the change for a period of not less than 7 days prior to the effective date of the change.

**§1053.33. Tariff and schedule requirements.**

An airport transfer carrier operating on a scheduled basis shall file with its tariff a copy of the schedule indicating the points served. Rates shall be based on provisions contained in tariffs filed, posted and published under statute and this title.

**§1053.34 Consumer information.**

To provide passengers with the necessary information to file a complaint, airport transfer service certificate holders shall post an Authority-issued complaint decal in a conspicuous location inside the vehicle which lists the telephone number and website to be used to lodge a complaint or provide the following notice on the receipt for service:

For complaints and information, contact the Philadelphia Parking Authority's Taxicab and Limousine Division at (215) 683-9471 or [TLDEnforcement@philapark.org](mailto:TLDEnforcement@philapark.org). Include the company name and CPC# for all complaints.

## **SUBCHAPTER D LARGE VEHICLES AND REMOTE CARRIERS**

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**§1053.41. Large vehicles.**

(a) A limousine, regardless of the classification provided by this Chapter, having a seating capacity of 16 or more passengers, including the driver, must hold a valid PUC certificate to provide the same or a substantially similar classification of common carrier by motor vehicle service in order to hold Authority limousine rights.

(b) Except for stretched vehicles operating pursuant to an Authority luxury limousine certificate, limousines with a seating capacity of 16 or more passengers



are exempt from these regulations, except for the registration and regulation requirements of §1053.43 (c)-(f) (relating to certain limousine requirements).

**§1053.42. Remote carriers.**

(a) A certificate holder providing service as a remote carrier, regardless of seating capacity, shall adhere to the requirements of §1053.43 (relating to relating to certain limousine requirements).

(b) A remote carrier limousine may not provide limousine service from any airport, railroad station and hotel located in whole or in part in Philadelphia without first registering with the Authority and otherwise complying with this chapter.

(c) A remote carrier may not provide service to points within Philadelphia or otherwise beyond the scope of its PUC certificate without first obtaining an Authority certificate of public convenience as provided in Chapter 1059 (relating to application and sale of rights).

**§1053.43. Certain limousine requirements.**

(a) *Purpose.* This section is intended to address limousine service in Philadelphia that is within the jurisdiction of the Authority as provided by the act, but is not commonly considered either Philadelphia service or limousine service by the public or other regulating agencies.

(b) *Certain limousines covered.* This section applies to remote carriers.

(c) *Registration.*

(1) The certificate holder shall register each limousine subject to subsection (b) with the Authority by completing and filing with the Director a Form AR-1 "Alternative Registration" along with the registration fee as provided in §1001.42 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority). The AR-1 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(2) The Authority registration process will require submission of copies of all relevant PUC certificates or registration documents.

(3) The registration fee shall be \$15 for each limousine registered for the fiscal year in which these regulations are published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and, thereafter, as provided in the Authority's fee schedule as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule).

(4) The registration of each limousine subject to this section shall expire on June 30 of each year. A certificate holder that seeks continued registration pursuant to

this section shall comply with paragraph (1) on or before February 15 of each year.

*(d) Regulation.*

(1) Limousines subject to this sections will be subject to regulation and enforcement by the Authority for violations of Department of Transportation equipment inspection standards stated in 67 Pa. Code Chapter 175 (relating to vehicle equipment and inspection). For example, a limousine registered as provided in this section that is determined by the Authority to be in the course of providing service with a broken windshield will be subject to the standard enforcement procedures of this part.

(2) Limousines registered as provided in this section shall comply with the instructions of Authority staff, including Inspectors, and submit to field inspections as provided in §1055.14 (relating to field inspections). Authority field inspections of limousines may include an investigation of compliance with PUC regulations and orders.

(3) Except as provided in this chapter, limousines subject to this section shall adhere to the regulations and orders of the PUC and are not required to adhere to regulations of the Authority while providing limousine service in Philadelphia. The Authority may pursue enforcement of PUC regulations before the PUC, as appropriate.

*(e) Insurance.* A certificate holder that seeks registration of a limousine as provided in this section or as provided in §1053.41 (relating to large vehicles) shall comply with the requirements of §1065.1 (relating to limousine insurance), except that the limits of insurance coverage need not exceed those required by the PUC.

*(f) Alternative carrier sticker.*

(1) Upon compliance with this section, the Authority will mail an alternative carrier sticker to the certificate holder for each registered limousine.

(2) Each alternative carrier sticker will display the year in which it is valid.

(3) A limousine registered with the Authority as provided in this section may not provide limousine service in Philadelphia or from any airport, railroad station and hotel located in whole or in part in Philadelphia, unless a valid alternative carrier sticker is attached to the lower passenger side interior portion of the limousine's windshield. Alternate carrier stickers must be attached using the adhesive backing supplied with the sticker and may not be taped to the windshield or transferred between vehicles.

# CHAPTER 1055.

## VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

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### SUBCHAPTER A.

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

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#### §1055.1 Purpose.

(a) This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures related to the condition, type, and inspection of limousines and equipment used to provide limousine service in Philadelphia.

(b) The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

*Antique vehicle*—A motor vehicle, but not a reproduction thereof, that is 25 years old or older as provided in §1055.3 (a) (relating to limousine age and mileage parameters), which has been maintained in or restored to a condition, which is substantially in conformance with manufacturer specifications.

*Compliance inspection*—The inspection of a limousine and limousine equipment by the Authority to assure compliance with the act, this part and orders of the Authority, which will include all of the components of a state inspection,

except that emissions testing will not occur. Anytime the inspection of a limousine or limousine service related equipment is required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority it will be a compliance inspection.

*Field inspection*—The unscheduled inspection of a limousine by an Inspector for compliance with the act, this part and all orders of the Authority.

*Limousine rights sticker*—An adhesive certification issued annually for each limousine by the TLD to a certificate holder upon the sale or issuance of a certificate of public convenience as provided in Chapter 1059 (relating to applications and sale of rights) or upon annual renewal as provided in §1051.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process) and attached to the lower passenger side interior portion of the limousine's windshield.

*State inspection*.—The annual inspection required by 75 Pa.C.S. Chapter 47 (relating to inspection of vehicles).

#### **§1055.2. Limousine rights sticker.**

(a) A vehicle may not perform limousine service without a valid limousine rights sticker as provided in §1055.1 (relating to purpose). Limousine rights stickers must be attached using the adhesive backing supplied with the sticker and may not be taped to the windshield or transferred between vehicles.

(b) The Authority may design limousine rights stickers to identify the class of limousine service authorized pursuant to Chapter §1053 (relating to classes of limousine service).

#### **§1055.3. Limousine age and mileage parameters.**

(a) *Method of age computation*. The age of a limousine will be determined by comparing its model year to the current model year. A model year begins on the first day of each October. For example, a limousine with a model year of 2008 would be four years old on October 1, 2012.

(b) *Age*. A vehicle may not provide limousine service if it is more than eight years old, except that the Director may authorize the operation of antique vehicles as limousines upon review of a petition for waiver as provided in §1005.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, repeal, or waiver of Authority regulations) and completion of a compliance inspection.

(c) *Mileage*.

(1) A vehicle may not be first introduced for limousine service with a cumulative mileage registered on the odometer of 51,000 miles or more, except that a limousine with a model year age of five (5) or less and a cumulative

mileage registered on the odometer of less than 75,000 miles may qualify for certification by the Authority contingent upon completion of a compliance inspection.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), a vehicle must be removed from limousine service prior to the date the cumulative mileage registered on the vehicle's odometer reaches 350,000 miles.

(3) The owner of a vehicle with a model year of five or less that is otherwise precluded from continued Philadelphia limousine service through paragraph (2) may continue in service for one year upon the successful filing of a waiver petition as provided in §1005.18 and completion of a compliance inspection. The one additional year of service shall run from the date the vehicle reached 350,000 miles or the date the Authority granted the waiver petition, whichever occurred first. The expiration date will be noted in the waiver decision.

(d) *Imputed mileage.*

(1) A vehicle with an odometer reading that differs from the number of miles the vehicle has actually traveled or that has had a prior history involving the disconnection or malfunctioning of an odometer or which appears to the Authority to have an inaccurate odometer reading based on prior inspection records, will be assigned an imputed mileage equal to 3,333 miles per month from the last reliable odometer recording through the date of inspection. If a reliable baseline odometer reading can not be ascertained, the vehicle may not be introduced for service or continue in service as a limousine.

(e) *Reporting of odometer malfunctions.* A certificate holder or limousine driver who knows or suspects that the odometer reading of a limousine differs from the number of miles the limousine has actually traveled shall disclose that status to the Enforcement Department immediately.

(f) *Penalties.* A person determined to have intentionally manipulated or disconnected the odometer of a limousine with the intent of reducing or limiting the cumulative mileage registered on the odometer will be subject to a \$1,000 fine and a cancellation of rights issued by the Authority, or both.

**§1055.4. Basic vehicle standards.**

(a) *State vehicle standards.* In addition to standards required by the act, this part and orders of the Authority, a limousine shall continually satisfy the applicable Department of Transportation equipment inspection standards stated in 67 Pa. Code Chapter 175 (relating to vehicle equipment and inspection) when providing limousine service, except where those standards are exceeded or otherwise altered by this subpart.

(b) *Standard limousine vehicle requirements.* Each limousine is subject to the following requirements:

(1) A limousine must be registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and obtain commercial registration plates identifying the limousine's class of service. Regular license plates cannot be used on vehicles operating under Authority jurisdiction.

(2) A limousine must be equipped with handgrips in the passenger compartment for use while entering or exiting the vehicle.

(3) A limousine must be equipped with working seatbelts for every passenger and the driver.

(4) A limousine must have four full sized tires which continuously meet or exceed the applicable standards of 67 Pa.Code §175.80 (relating to vehicle inspection) and otherwise comply with the Authority's tire requirements, which include the following:

(i) Snow tires or all-weather tires on the drive wheels between October 1 and April 1.

(ii) A full sized and usable spare tire that complies with the standards of this section properly stored in the limousine.

(iii) Properly affixed and matching hubcaps or wheel covers for all four tires.

(5) A limousine may not use re-tread tires.

(6) A limousine must have a trunk or storage area large enough to accommodate a folded manual wheelchair.

(7) A limousine may not be equipped with a push bumper.

(8) The interior, exterior and trunk compartment of a limousine must be clean so as to present a positive appearance and to prevent possible transfer of dirt, dust, grease, paint or other markings to a passenger's clothing or luggage.

(9) Spare tires in the trunk must be covered.

(10) A limousine's passenger seats may not be torn have protruding springs or other material capable of tearing a passenger's skin or clothing. Passenger seat tears must be properly repaired and may not be mended with tape.

(11) A limousine's interior must consist of matching features, including door panels.

(12) Except upon a passenger's request to the contrary, the passenger area of a limousine must remain a constant temperature between 60 and 78 degrees Fahrenheit.

(13) A limousine must be free of objectionable odors. For example, a limousine may not smell like urine, feces, animals, insects, decomposing organisms, poor human hygiene or garbage.

(14) A limousine's exterior paint must be in good repair and free of damage.

(15) In additions to other posting required by this subpart, a limousine must have posted in the passenger compartment in a place easily observed by passengers information on how to submit a limousine service related complaint to the Authority in both written English and Braille.

(16) The Authority may require the installation of a separate heating and air conditioning system in a large or stretched limousine if necessary to comply with paragraph (12).

(c) *Interstate drivers.* No requirement of this subpart, or any Authority regulation, may be interpreted to disrupt or interfere with interstate commerce exclusively regulated by or preempted by the government of the United States of America, including such commerce addressed by the Real Interstate Drivers Equity Act of 2002 (49 U.S.C.A. §§13102 and 14501.)

(d) *Smoking prohibited.* No person may smoke in a limousine.

(e) *Advertising prohibited.* The display of advertisements on the exterior or interior of a limousine is prohibited.

(f) *Inspection by certificate holder.* A certificate holder shall inspect each of its limousines on a daily basis to confirm that the limousine complies with this subpart.

#### **§1055.5. Required documents.**

A limousine must contain the following documents for review by an Inspector upon request:

(a) Proof of current and valid financial responsibility. .

(b) Proof of vehicle registration.

(c) A current trip sheet as provided in §1057.17 (relating to trip sheet requirements).

**§1055.6. Transportation of blind or deaf persons with dog guides.**

Limousines must transport dogs trained for the purpose of guiding blind or deaf persons when accompanying blind or deaf persons paying a regular fare. The guide dogs must be properly leashed and may not occupy a seat.

**SUBCHAPTER B.  
LIMOUSINE INSPECTIONS.**

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**§1055.11. Scheduled compliance inspections.**

In addition to any other inspections required or permitted by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, up to 25% of each certificate holder's limousines registered with the Authority may be required to submit to a scheduled compliance inspection on an annual basis and at a time and location designated by the Authority. The Enforcement Department will designate each limousine for compliance inspection as provided in this section.

**§1055.12. Off-site inspections.**

(a) With the consent of the certificate holder, inspections scheduled pursuant to subsection (a) may be conducted by the Enforcement Department at the certificate holder's facility provided the following conditions are met:

(1) The certificate holder owns and operates not less than fifty Authority certified limousines.

(2) The certificate holder's facility is a duly licensed Pennsylvania Inspection Station certified as provided in 75 Pa.C.S. § 4721 (relating to appointment of official inspection stations).



(3) The facility is within 30 miles of the TLD's Headquarters.

(4) The inspection fee for each limousine scheduled for inspection will be double the standard TLD inspection fee as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule).

(5) Each vehicle that fails an inspection for a cause that cannot be fully remedied before the end of the Enforcement Department's off-site inspection shall be presented for re-inspection at the Authority facility designated by the TLD.

**§1055.13. Failure to appear for scheduled inspection.**

If a limousine fails to appear for an inspection as provided in §1055.11 (relating to scheduled compliance inspections) or another inspection scheduled by the Authority as provided in the act, this part or an order of the Authority, the certificate holder will be charged a rescheduling fee as provided in §1001.43 (relating to Authority fee schedule), in addition to any penalty entered against the certificate holder.

**§1055.14. Field inspections.**

(a) Inspectors may stop and inspect limousines in operation, or appearing to be in operation, to ensure continued compliance with the act, this part or any order of the Authority.

(b) Upon field inspection, an Inspector may instruct a limousine driver to drive the limousine directly to TLD Headquarters for a compliance inspection if the Inspector believes that the limousine is not in compliance with this subpart and represents a public safety concern.

**§1055.15. Failure to submit to field inspection.**

(a) Upon instruction by an Inspector, a limousine driver must stop the limousine and permit the Inspector to conduct a field inspection of the limousine as provided in §1055.14 (relating to field inspections).

(b) If a limousine driver fails to permit a full field inspection, the limousine will be placed out of service immediately, as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation) or impounded as provided in §1055.31 (relating to impoundment of vehicles and equipment).

(c) A person determined to have refused the direction of an Inspector to submit a limousine to a field inspection will be subject to a \$1,000 fine and a cancellation of rights issued by the Authority, or both.

#### **§1055.16. Re-inspection.**

In the event a limousine fails any Authority inspection or is removed from limousine service by the Authority for any reason, the limousine may not resume limousine service until a compliance inspection is successfully completed by the Authority.

#### **§1055.17. Removal of vehicle and change of license plate.**

(a) A certificate holder shall report the removal of a vehicle from Philadelphia limousine service to the Manager of Administration at [TLDAdmin@philapark.org](mailto:TLDAdmin@philapark.org) within 48 hours of removal.

(b) A certificate holder shall report the change of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation license plate issued to a limousine to the Manager of Administration at [TLDAdmin@philapark.org](mailto:TLDAdmin@philapark.org) within 48 hours of the license plate change.

#### **§1055.18. Attendance at scheduled inspection.**

(a) The certificate holder or its attorney-in-fact must attend each limousine inspection conducted by the Authority, except field inspections as provided in §1055.14 (relating to field inspections).

(b) The attorney-in-fact must appear with the original power of attorney, which must be in compliance with §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney).

#### **§1055.19. Prerequisites to inspection.**

(a) The Authority will not initiate an inspection of a limousine, except as provided in §1055.14 (relating to field inspections), if the limousine is out of compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

(b) The Authority will not initiate an inspection of a limousine, except as provided in §1055.14, if the certificate holder is out of compliance with the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following sections of this subpart:

- (1) §1051.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).
- (2) §1051.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).
- (3) §1051.6 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(c) A limousine determined to be unfit for inspection due to a violation of this section shall be placed out of service as provided in §1003.12 (relating to out of service designation).

**§1055.20. Approved Models and Conditions.**

The Authority will publish a list of approved makes and models of vehicles by classification permitted for use as limousines, which will be available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

**§1055.21. Reconstructed vehicles prohibited.**

Salvaged or reconstructed vehicles may not provide limousine service.

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**§1055.31. Impoundment of vehicles and equipment.**

Applicable provisions of §§1017.51—1017.52 (relating to impoundment of vehicles and equipment) apply to limousines and limousine related equipment determined to be in violation of the act, this part or an order of the Authority.

**CHAPTER 1057.  
LIMOUSINE DRIVERS**

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#### **§1057.1. Purpose and scope.**

- (a) This chapter establishes minimum qualifications for limousine drivers.
- (b) A certificate holder may impose more stringent standards in the selection of its limousine drivers.

#### **§1057.2. Certification required.**

- (a) Only a limousine driver may provide limousine service.
- (b) A limousine driver shall carry and display an original limousine driver's certificate on the sun visor of the limousine on the driver's side with the front of the certificate (picture) facing the rear seat at all times.
- (c) A limousine driver may not drive a limousine with a mutilated, damaged or illegible limousine driver's certificate.
- (d) Only one limousine driver's certificate at a time may be displayed in a limousine.
- (e) A limousine driver's certificate is not transferable.

#### **§1057.3. Continuing certificates.**

- (a) Beginning on the date this part is published in final form in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, driver certification rights previously issued by the Authority pursuant to section 5706 of the act (relating to driver certification program) shall be designated by the certified driver as either a taxicab driver's certificate or limousine driver's certificate at the time those rights are scheduled for renewal as provided in §1051.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).

(b) Provided that all other terms of renewal are met, the TLD will renew the driver's certificate only for the rights selected by the renewing driver as provided in subsection (a).

(c) This section will not prohibit a limousine driver from obtaining a separate taxicab driver certificate as provided in Subpart B (relating to taxicab drivers).

**§1057.4. Ineligible persons for limousine driver certificate.**

(a) In addition to other prohibitions provided in this part, an applicant for a limousine driver's certificate shall be automatically ineligible under the following circumstances:

(1) The applicant does not hold a current driver's license.

(2) The applicant does not speak the English language sufficiently to communicate with the general public, to understand highway traffic signs and signals in the English language, to respond to official inquiries and to make verifiable entries on reports and records.

(3) The applicant has failed to complete limousine driver testing as prescribed by this chapter.

(4) The applicant is unable to provide information required by this subpart.

(5) The applicant is 20 years of age or younger.

(6) The applicant does not have a driving history in the United States of America of at least one continuous year prior to the date of application.

**§1057.5. Standards for obtaining a limousine driver's certificate.**

(a) *General.* Except as provided in §1057.3 (relating to continuing driver's certificates), in order to obtain a limousine driver's certificate an individual must complete and file with the Director a Form DR-1 "Driver Application", along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority and; Authority fee schedule). The DR-1 may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) *DR-1 application.* The completed DR-1 must be verified as provided in §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) The full and legal name of the individual applicant.

(2) The applicant's residential address and telephone number. Applicants may submit an email address to become eligible for service of notice as provided in §1005.51 (relating to service by Authority).

(3) The applicant's driver's license.

(4) The applicant's Social Security card or documents confirming a legal permanent resident status or an alien authorized to work status, if applicable.

(5) Authorization to release the applicant's criminal history report from the Pennsylvania State Police to the Authority.

(6) A certified copy of the applicant's criminal history report for each jurisdiction other than Pennsylvania in which the applicant resided during the five years immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each criminal history record shall be certified within 30 days of the filing of the application.

(7) Authorize the release of the applicant's driver history report from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to the Authority.

(8) A certified copy of the driver history report from each jurisdiction, other than Pennsylvania, in which the applicant was licensed during the five years immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each driver history report shall be certified within 30 days of the filing of the application.

(9) Submit a Form DR-2 "Driver Medical History", which is available on the Authority's website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld). The requirement to complete the DR-2 will be waived for applicants who possess a current physical exam card issued pursuant to the requirements of a commercial driver's license in Pennsylvania. 49 CFR 391.41—391.49 (relating to physical qualifications and examinations).

(10) A list of all Authority or PUC certificates or other rights in which the applicant has any controlling interest.

(11) A written statement verified as provided in §1001.36, which provides the following:

(i) That the applicant has not been subject to a conviction as provided in §1051.2 (relating to definitions).

(ii) That the applicant is in compliance with §1051.6 (relating to payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(iii) That the applicant is current on all reports due in relation to other rights issued by the Authority.

(iv) That the applicant can comply with the requirements of this chapter.

**§1057.6. Application changes.**

(a) An applicant for a limousine driver's certificate shall immediately notify the Authority in writing of any changes that affect the accuracy of the information in the application while the application is under review by the Authority.

(b) False information provided by an applicant for a limousine driver's certificate will result in the denial of the application or cancellation of the driver's certificate if issued prior to discovery of the false information.

**§1057.7. Limousine driver training.**

Limousine driver applicants will be provided with training information for review.

**§1057.8. Certain training subjects.**

(a) *Continued training subjects.* The Authority will continually monitor issues related to limousine drivers, including safety and customer service, and maintain a current list of limousine driver training subjects on its website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld) including the following subjects:

- (1) Authority regulations governing limousine drivers.
- (2) Authority regulations governing limousine certificate holders.
- (3) Authority regulations governing equipment.
- (4) Penalties for violation of Authority regulations.
- (5) An overview of the administrative process related to violations.
- (6) The identification and address of the Authority offices responsible for administering the act.
- (7) Driving and customer safety issues, including the following:
  - (i) Defensive driving techniques.
  - (ii) Emergency aid.
  - (iii) Vehicle and equipment inspections.

- (iv) Crime prevention.
- (v) Accident reporting procedures.
- (8) Issues related to the geography of Philadelphia, including the following:
  - (i) Map reading.
  - (ii) Overview of major street and traffic patterns.
  - (iii) Identification and location of popular landmarks and locations.
- (c) The applicant must schedule a time and date for testing pursuant to §1021.9 (relating to limousine driver test) with the Manager of Administration.

**§1057.9. Limousine driver test.**

- (a) The Authority will develop a test to assure applicants for a limousine driver's certificate understand the information identified in §1057.8 (relating to certain training subjects).
- (b) The test will be administered in the English language. The assistance of interpreters will not be permitted.
- (c) Except as limited by this chapter, the test may be administered in a manner and in a form deemed appropriate by the Authority. The test may include:
  - (1) Questions requiring a written response.
  - (2) Multiple choice questions.
  - (3) Oral questions.
  - (4) The demonstration of an ability to operate a motor vehicle and use limousine related equipment.
  - (5) The demonstration of an ability to read, write and speak the English language as required by this part.
- (d) Failure to pass the test required by this section after three attempts will render the application void.
- (e) Failure to pass the test required by this section within 90 days of the filing of the DR-1 application as provided in §1057.5 (relating to standards for obtaining a limousine driver's certificate) will render the application void.



(f) Upon the denial or voiding of a DR-1 as provided in this chapter an applicant may not reapply for registration for a period of six months.

**§1057.10. Expiration and renewal of certificate.**

(a) A limousine driver's certificate shall expire one year from the date of issuance and must be renewed annually as provided in §1051.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process).

(b) A limousine driver in good standing is not required to repeat driver training at the time of certificate renewal.

(c) A suspended limousine driver's certificate must be renewed on schedule as provided in §1051.3 and the suspended limousine driver must submit to retraining and testing if required in the suspension order.

(d) The Authority will not renew a limousine driver's certificate that fails to meet the minimum service requirements of §1057.12 (relating to additional requirements).

**§1057.11. Driver requirements.**

(a) *Pre-service inspection.* Prior to driving a limousine before each shift, a limousine driver shall perform a vehicle inspection to confirm that the limousine complies with this subpart. The inspection shall include the following:

(1) At least one full walk around the limousine to assure the exterior of the vehicle is in compliance with this subpart, including the following:

(i) The exterior of the limousine is not damaged and no parts of the vehicle have been removed. For example, the hood and doors of the limousine are present and in the proper location.

(ii) The limousine's tires are full size and the treads are not worn below the level permitted by §1057.4(b) (4) (relating to basic vehicle standards).

(2) The opening and closing of all doors, the hood, and the trunk to assure proper functionality and the absence of any sharp edges that may injure a passenger or damage clothing, luggage or other property.

(3) An inspection of the interior of the limousine to make certain that the vehicle is clean and otherwise in compliance with this subpart.

(4) Use of the heater and air conditioner to confirm the limousine's ability to maintain the air temperature required by §1057.4 (b)(12) (relating to basic vehicle standards).

(c) *Permitted fares.* A limousine driver may not charge fares or rates for service other than those provided in the certificate holder's tariff as provided in Chapter 1063 (relating to tariffs).

(d) *Rules of the road.* A limousine driver shall continually provide limousine service in a manner consistent with the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S. §§101-9802) and the Philadelphia Traffic Code (12 Phila. Code §§100-3012).

(e) *Driver history report.* A driver history report that evidences a violation or series of violations which relate to dangerous driving activities may form the basis of a denial of a limousine driver's certificate application, a denial of the annual renewal as provided §1051.3 (relating to annual rights renewal process), or a formal complaint to suspend or cancel the limousine driver's certificate.

#### **§1057.12. Additional requirements.**

(a) Each limousine driver shall know the rights and limitations of any limousine used to provide limousine service, including applicable geographical limitations.

(b) A limousine driver may not provide limousine service with an expired limousine driver's certificate.

(c) A limousine driver may not provide limousine service without a valid driver's license.

#### **§1057.13. Interstate commerce regulation.**

No requirement of this Subpart, or any Authority regulation, may be interpreted to disrupt or interfere with interstate commerce exclusively regulated by or preempted by the government of the United States of America, including such commerce addressed by the Real Interstate Drivers Equity Act of 2002 (49 U.S.C.A. §§13102 and 14501.)

#### **§1057.14. Limousine driver's certificate upon cancellation.**

(a) A cancelled limousine driver's certificate may not be reinstated.

(b) An individual subject to cancellation of a limousine driver's certificate may not apply to the Authority for a new driver's certificate, including a taxicab driver's certificate as provided §1021.5 (relating to standards for obtaining a taxicab driver's certificate), for a period of two years from the date the cancellation was entered. If the individual subject to cancellation also holds a taxicab driver's certificate, that driver's certificate shall be cancelled with the taxicab driver's certificate.

(c) The circumstances related to the cancellation of a limousine driver's certificate will be considered by the Authority when reviewing any subsequent application submitted by that individual.

**§1057.15. General limousine driver reports.**

(a) A limousine driver shall make timely written reports to the Manager of Administration as required by the act, this part or an order of the Authority, including the following:

- (1) Invalidation of a driver's license for any reason must be reported with 48 hours.
- (2) A change of address must be reported within 15 days.
- (3) A change of name must be reported to the Authority within 15 days of occurrence or if a court proceeding is required, within 15 days of the court filing.

**§1057.16. Limousine driver reports after accident.**

(a) A limousine driver is involved in an accident while driving a limousine that results in property damage, personal injury or death shall do the following:

- (1) Stop immediately.
- (2) Take necessary precautions to prevent further accidents at the scene.
- (3) Render reasonable assistance to injured persons. Moving of injured persons by a limousine driver should not be undertaken if likely to cause further injury.
- (4) Provide driver's license, registration, insurance, other information required by Pennsylvania law and the name of the limousine's certificate holder.
- (5) Report the details of the accident as soon as practicable as follows:
  - (i) To the police if required by 75 Pa.C.S. §3746 (relating immediate notice of accident to police department).
  - (ii) To the certificate holder.

**§1057.17. Trip sheet requirements.**

(a) A driver of a luxury type vehicle engaged in providing limousine service shall have a trip sheet in the vehicle evidencing that the vehicle is in service. The trip sheet must contain the following information:

(1) The limousine driver's name, the limousine number, the certificate holder and the dispatcher.

(2) The starting location and time of each trip.

(3) The ending location and time of each trip.

(4) A designation indicating whether a trip resulted through the dispatcher or direct call from the passenger.

(5) The fare paid for the trip.

(6) The amount of any gratuity paid to the limousine driver.

(b) At the conclusion of the trip, the driver shall record the ending time on the trip sheet.

(c) The trip sheet shall be retained by the certificate holder as provided in §1051.10 (related record retention).

## **CHAPTER 1059.**

### **APPLICATIONS AND SALE OF RIGHTS**

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### **§1059.1. Purpose.**

This chapter establishes and prescribes Authority regulations and procedures for applications for limousine certificates and sale of certain rights issued by the Authority.

### **§1059.2. Definitions.**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

*Limousine certificate*—A certificate granting the owner the right to operate a class of limousine service pursuant to this subpart.

*Transferable rights*—A limousine certificate.

*Sale*—Any change in ownership of a transferable right, including a change in ownership of securities or other ownership interests in an entity that owns transferable rights.

*Transfer fee*—The non-refundable fee charged by the Authority to review an application to sell transferable rights.

### **§1059.3. Applications for limousine rights.**

(a) In order to obtain a certificate to operate a class of limousine service as provided in Chapter 1053 (relating to standard classifications of limousine service) a person must complete and file with the Director a Form LM-2 “Limousine Certificate Application”, along with the application fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority and; Authority fee schedule). The LM-2 may be obtained on the Authority’s website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) The standards of review applicable to LM-2 applications will be the same as those applicable to a proposed buyer of rights as provided in this chapter.

### **§1059.4. Authority approval of sale of rights.**

(a) *Sale of transferable rights*. The sale of transferable rights without advance approval of the Authority is void by operation of law.

(b) *Sale of securities in transferable rights*. The sale of any number of securities or other ownership interest in an entity that owns transferable rights will be considered a sale under this chapter.

**§1059.5. Agreement of sale.**

(a) The parties to a proposed sale of transferable rights shall complete an agreement of sale detailing the terms of the transaction, including provisions required by this chapter, and file the agreement with the Director.

(b) An agreement of sale for transferable rights is void by operation of law if not executed by all parties in the presence of the Director or his designee.

**§1059.6. Application for sale of transferable rights.**

*(a) Application documents.*

(1) To initiate a sale, the owner and proposed buyer shall file an original and one copy of Form No. SA-1 "Sale Application", the agreement of sale or transfer and other documents required by this chapter. The proposed buyer will be considered the applicant. The SA-1 is available at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(2) The SA-1 must be filed in person with the Director.

(3) The Director will refuse to accept an application which is incomplete for any reason.

(4) Upon acceptance, the Director will submit a copy of the application documents to the Clerk and an application docket number will be assigned.

*(b) Application signatures.*

(1) Both parties to the sale shall execute the SA-1 in the presence of the Director or his designee.

(2) Except for individuals, an original executed and notarized resolution from the buyer and seller authorizing the execution of the sale documents must be included with the filing of the SA-1.

(3) The Authority may permit an SA-1 to be executed by an attorney-in-fact if the owner or proposed buyer are unable to appear and as provided in §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney), in which case the owner will be required to attend the closing on the sale.

(c) *Verification and payment.* The SA-1 must be verified pursuant to §1001.36 (relating to verification and affidavit) and shall be accompanied by payment of the transfer fee as provided in §§1001.42 and 1001.43 (relating to mode of payment to the Authority and; Authority fee schedule).

(d) *Multiple rights.* The SA-1 may be used to sell an unlimited number of transferable rights from one owner to one proposed buyer. The transfer fee required by subsection (c) will be based on the higher of the aggregate value of the sale or the transfer fee per right as provided in the Authority's fee schedule.

(e) *Broker.* Documents intended for submission to the Director as part of the sale process must be prepared by a broker registered with the Authority as provided in Chapter 1061 (relating to brokers) or an attorney admitted to practice law by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

#### **§1059.7. Required application information.**

(a) *The Form SA-1.* The SA-1 is a multipurpose form intended for use in the sale of different transferable rights and must be completed by the broker or attorneys, or both, in a manner consistent with the intentions of the sale.

(b) *Required information.* The completed SA-1 must include all of the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) The certificate number(s).
- (2) The name of the proposed buyer and contact information, including a telephone number, an email address and a facsimile number.
- (3) If the proposed buyer is a non-individual person, a contemporaneous certificate of good standing for the proposed buyer issued by the Pennsylvania Corporate Bureau within 30 days of filing the SA-1.
- (4) The name of any holding company as defined by §1051.2 (relating to definitions) having an interest in the proposed buyer and a contemporaneous certificate of good standing for the holding company from the Pennsylvania Corporate Bureau, or similarly authorized entity in another jurisdiction in the United States of America.
- (5) The trade name, if any, of the proposed buyer and a copy of the trade name registration certificate, if applicable.
- (6) The mailing address and physical address of the proposed buyer.
- (7) A statement of the proposed buyer's corporate purpose, if applicable.
- (8) A list of current corporate officers, directors, stockholders, key employees and persons with controlling interests as defined by §1051.2, if applicable with an indication of each individual's title.

(9) A list of all Authority, PUC and federal common carrier rights held by the proposed buyer and any of the persons listed in response to paragraph (8), including taxicab medallions.

(10) The name, address, telephone number, facsimile number, and email address of any attorney assisting the proposed buyer with the application process, together with an acknowledgement that §1061.1(b) (relating to broker registration) has been reviewed by the proposed buyer.

(11) A certified criminal history report from any jurisdiction in which the following persons have lived, including part-time residences, in the preceding five years through the date of application:

(i) An individual proposed buyer.

(ii) Any individual with a controlling interest in the proposed buyer.

(iii) Any individual with a controlling interest in the holding company of a proposed buyer.

(iv) A key employee.

(12) A verified statement indicating that the persons identified in paragraph (11) have not been subject to a conviction as defined in §1051.2 (relating to definitions) and that the proposed buyer has read and understands the prohibitions of ownership as provided in §1051.5 (relating to ineligibility due to conviction or arrest).

(13) Verified statements from the owner and proposed buyer confirming that each are in compliance with section §1051.6 (relating payment of outstanding fines, fees, penalties and taxes).

(14) The federal tax identification number for the owner and proposed buyer.

(15) The Philadelphia Business Privilege License numbers issued to the owner and proposed buyer.

**§1059.8. Additional application requirements.**

(a) *The agreement of sale.* The agreement of sale required by this chapter must include the information required by the Authority, including the following:

(1) All parties to the transaction.

(2) A description of the transaction.



(3) The identification number of each right subject to sale.

(4) The total consideration for the sale and for each right transferred if the sale involves multiple rights in United States Dollars, and any payment terms required by the Authority, including the following:

(i) The assumption of any loan or debt.

(ii) Contingencies and non-monetary consideration.

(iii) Monetary consideration.

(5) An acknowledgement initialed by all parties that the agreement is subject to the laws and jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, the act, this part and orders of the Authority.

(b) *Execution of agreement of sale.*

(1) The proposed agreement of sale must be signed by all parties before the Director or his designee on or before the date the SA-1 is filed.

(2) The Authority may permit an agreement of sale to be executed by an attorney-in-fact if the owner or proposed buyer are unable to appear and as provided in §1001.28 (relating to power of attorney).

(c) *Loan documents.*

(1) Any consideration identified in subsection (a)(4) that is provided to a proposed buyer must be evidenced in the form of written agreements. For example, the loaning of cash money to a proposed buyer by a bank must be confirmed through loan documents executed by the borrowing party.

(2) All documents required by paragraph (1) must be submitted to the Director at the time the SA-1 is filed, except that specific financial information that can not be known until on or about the closing date for the sale may be left blank. The final loan documents must be executed at the closing on the sale.

(d) *Continuing service.* The owner of the rights subject to sale shall confirm that the rights will remain in active service pending review of the application, unless prohibited or authorized for suspension by a provision of this part or an order of the Authority.

(e) *Notice.*

(1) Notice of applications will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* as provided in §1003.32 (relating to applications requiring notice).

(2) The parties to the sale will receive notices related to the SA-1 as provided in §1001.51 (relating to service by the Authority).

**§1059.9. Financial fitness generally.**

(a) The Authority will review the financial fitness of the proposed buyer, including a review of the following:

(1) Bank statements of the proposed buyer evidencing ownership of a bank account holding not less than the greater of \$25,000 or two percent of the medallion sale price in unencumbered and available funds. The funds under review must have been in the bank account for a period of not less than three months.

(3) The credit report of each of the persons identified in §1059.7 (b)(8) (relating to required application information) evidencing a credit score of at least 600 for each person.

(4) The absence of any outstanding and unappealed civil judgments against each of the parties required to submit a criminal history report pursuant to §1059.7 (b)(8).

**§1059.10. Regulatory compliance review.**

(a) An SA-1 will be denied if the proposed buyer has a regulatory compliance record with the Authority or the Pennsylvania Utilities Commission which evidences a disregard for the public interest.

(b) A proposed buyer that has been subject to the suspension, revocation or cancellation of common carrier rights by the Authority or the PUC during the one-year period immediately preceding the date the SA-1 was filed with the Authority will be ineligible to purchase rights.

**§1059.11. Authority review.**

(a) Notice of the granting of an application for a limousine certificate or approval of a sale will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

(b) The SA-1 will be reviewed as provided in §1003.30 (relating to applications generally).

(c) The SA-1 will be denied if the proposed buyer or any person with a controlling interest in the proposed buyer or a key employee of the proposed buyer is in violation of any provision of this part or if the Authority determines

that the sale is not in the public interest. The SA-1 may be denied if the owner is in violation of any provision of this part.

**§1059.12. Approval process and closing on sale.**

(a) If the Director determines that an applicant for a limousine certificate or a proposed buyer of rights is qualified as provided in the act, this part or an order of the Authority, a recommendation to approve the application or sale will be presented to the Authority for approval at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Authority may require that proposals from the Director as provided in this section first be presented to a committee of the Board at a public meeting.

(b) Upon approval of the sale by the Authority, the Director will schedule the parties to meet at a time and location where an Authority staff member will witness the closing of the transaction.

(c) An Authority staff member must witness the execution of each document by the owner and proposed buyer, or their designated agents. Any closing not witnessed by Authority staff is void as provided in sections 5711 (c)(5) and 5718 of the act (relating to power of Authority to issue certificates of public convenience; and restrictions).

**§1059.13. Settlement sheet.**

(a) The owner and proposed buyer shall use the Form SA-2 "Standard Settlement Sheet" at any closing on the sale of rights. The SA-2 is available on the Authority's Website at [www.philapark.org/tld](http://www.philapark.org/tld).

(b) The SA-2 must include the information required by the Authority, including the following:

- (1) The names and addresses of the owner and proposed buyer.
- (2) The names and address of the brokers or attorneys used in the transaction.
- (3) The name and address of the lender and a designated contact person employed by the lender, if any.
- (4) A copy of all certificates or other documents authorizing the lender to make commercial loans in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- (5) The amount, term and interest rate of any loan used to purchase the rights.
- (6) The certificate number(s).

(7) The total consideration for the rights to be sold and any payment terms, including loan contingencies and non-monetary consideration.

(8) An allocation of funds expended in the transaction.

(9) All fees and costs associated with the sale, including those payable to any broker or attorney, or both.

(10) Signatures of the owner and proposed buyer, or their designated agents, and the brokers.

**§1059.14. Commencement of service.**

A regulated party shall, within 30 days from the date of receipt of a certificate, begin operating and furnishing service. If it has not commenced operating and furnishing the authorized service within 30 days, appropriate proceedings shall be initiated to terminate the certificate unless, upon specific permission as provided in §1051.13 (relating to voluntary suspension of certificate), the time for commencement of service is extended.

## **CHAPTER 1061. BROKERS**

Sec.

§1061.1. Broker registration.

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(a) An individual seeking registration as a broker shall apply to the Director as provided in Chapter 1029 of Subpart B (relating to taxicabs).

(b) Any party may use an attorney admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in lieu of a broker.

## CHAPTER 1063.

### TARIFFS

Sec.

- 1063.1 Definitions.  
1063.2 Limousine rates and tariffs.

#### **§1063.1. Definition.**

*Tariff*—Schedules of rates, rules, regulations, practices or contracts involving any rate and schedules showing the method of distribution of the facilities of the certificate.

#### **§1063.2 Limousine rates and tariffs.**

- (a) Certificate holders shall comply with the requirement of section 5703 of the act (relating to rates) and this chapter as to rates and tariffs.
- (b) Limousine rates shall be based solely on time, and shall be contained in a tariff filed, posted and published as provided in the act and this part. The use of meters is prohibited. The initial time period and each subsequent increment must be at least 30 minutes.
- (c) Except when inconsistent with the act, this part or an order of the Authority, limousine certificate holders shall charge rates and maintain and file tariffs with the Director in a manner consistent with relevant portions of 52 Pa.Code. Chapter 23 (relating to tariffs for common carriers).

## CHAPTER 1065.

### INSURANCE REQUIRED

Sec.

- 1065.1 Limousine insurance.

#### **§1065.1. Limousine insurance.**

- (a) *Insurance requirements generally.* Except as provided in subsection (b), a limousine certificate holder shall comply with the relevant portions of Chapter

1025 of Subpart B (relating to taxicabs), including the filing of Form E and Form K documents.

(b) *Limousine insurance required.*

(1) A regulated party may not engage in limousine service and the certificate of public convenience will not be issued, or remain in force, except as provided in §1025.4 (relating to applications to self-insure) until there has been filed with and approved by the Authority a certificate of insurance by an insurer authorized to do business in this Commonwealth, to provide for the payment of valid accident claims against the insured for bodily injury to or the death of a person, or the loss of or damage to property of others resulting from the operation, maintenance or use of a limousine in the insured authorized service.

(2) The liability insurance maintained by a limousine certificate holder shall be in an amount not less than \$1,500,000 to cover liability for bodily injury, death or property damage incurred in an accident arising from authorized service. The \$1,500,000 minimum coverage is split coverage in the amounts of \$500,000 bodily injury per person, \$900,000 bodily injury per accident and \$100,000 property damage per accident. This coverage shall include first party medical benefits in the amount of \$100,000 and first party wage loss benefits in the amount of \$100,000 for passengers and pedestrians. Except as to the required amount of coverage, these benefits shall conform to 75 Pa.C.S. §§1701—1799.7 (relating to Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law). First party coverage of the limousine driver of limousines shall meet the requirements of 75 Pa.C.S. §1711 (relating to required benefits).

(3) The certificate holder's loss history with a current or former insurer shall be released to the Authority within two business days of a request by the Authority. The certificate holder shall authorize any release required by the insurer to facilitate the timely delivery of the loss history to the Authority.

(4) The Authority may direct insurers to file proof of insurance both electronically and in hard copy.

(5) The limits in paragraph (2) do not include the insurance of cargo.

(6) The requirements of §1025.3 (relating to insurance required) do not apply to limousines.



**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL  
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December 2, 2010

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**Re: Fiscal Note for Parking Authority Regulations**

Dear General Counsel Weldon:

You contacted the Office of the Budget because you have been asked by the Legislative Reference Bureau whether the Office of the Budget must produce a fiscal note to accompany the regulations that the Philadelphia Parking Authority (Authority) is attempting to promulgate.

Under the Commonwealth's Administrative Code, the Office of the Budget must

prepare a fiscal note for regulatory actions and administrative procedures of the administrative departments, boards, commissions, or authorities, receiving money from the State Treasury. The fiscal note shall state whether the proposed action or procedure causes a loss of revenue or an increase in the cost of programs to the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

Section 612 of the Administrative Code of 1929, 71 P.S. § 232. After reviewing the Authority's enabling law, in particular Sections 5508.1(q.1) and 5510.1 of the parking authority law, 53 Pa.C.S. §§ 5508.1(q.1) and 5510.1, it is the Office of the Budget's position that a fiscal note is not required for the Authority's proposed regulations because the Authority is not receiving money from the State Treasury.

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December 2, 2010  
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Instead, the Authority collects revenues on behalf of a city of the first class from the Authority's operation of a system of parking, deposits those revenues in the Authority's name in banks chosen by the Authority, manages and invests those monies as provided for in the law, and disburses those monies to a city of the first class and a school district of a city of the first class.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at the address or phone number in our letterhead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian D. Zweicher", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Arthur Coccodrilli  
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**Re: PRM-10-001 (Agency/ID No. 126-1)  
Proposed Rulemaking  
Philadelphia Taxicab and Limousine Regulations  
52 Pa. Code, Part II (Proposed)**

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

The Philadelphia Parking Authority ("Authority") hereby submits its proposed rulemaking and regulatory analysis form to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission for review pursuant to Section 5(a) of the Regulatory Review Act of June 30, 1989 (P.L. 73, No. 19) (71 P.S. §§745.1-745.15). Also enclosed is the Authority's Proposed Rulemaking Order entered November 23, 2010 (preamble) and the "Face Sheet" required by 1 Pa. Code §13.12.

Because this review period has been initiated during the *sine die* period between legislative sessions, the "Transmittal Sheet" required by 1 Pa. Code §305.1(b)(3) is not enclosed, but will be delivered to the Commission upon submission of the proposed rulemaking to the standing committees as required by 1 Pa. Code §311.a.1(e).

The Governor's Budget Office has determined that the Authority does not require a fiscal note as part of this proposed rule making pursuant to 71 P.S. §232, and has confirmed that position in a memorandum that is also enclosed.

The purpose of this proposed rulemaking is to substitute the entire body of the Authority's current Taxicab and Limousine Regulations, which were promulgated according to procedures applicable to local agencies, with regulations approved pursuant to procedures applicable to independent Commonwealth agencies.

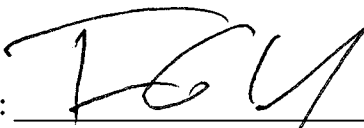
The contact person is Dennis G. Weldon, Jr. General Counsel, 215-683-9630.

**The Honorable Arthur Coccodrilli**  
**Chairman**  
**December 28, 2010**

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The proposal has been deposited for publication with the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Very truly yours,  
The Philadelphia Parking Authority

By:   
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On December 28, 2010, we received Regulation #126-1, Philadelphia Parking Authority,  
Philadelphia Taxicab and Limousine Regulations.

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