

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER THIRTY-NINE**

**RESPECTING TAXI AND LIMOUSINE REGULATION**

BE IT RESOLVED as a policy of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality pursuant to Section 305 of the *Motor Vehicle Act* and Section 26 of the *Municipal Government Act* as follows:

**Short Title**

1. This Administrative Order may be cited as Administrative Order Number Thirty-Nine, the Taxi and Limousine Regulation Administrative Order.

**Regular Fares**

2. Subject to Section 3 of this Administrative Order, the fares that shall be charged by taxi drivers within Halifax Regional Municipal shall be as set out in Schedule 1 to this Administrative Order.

**Special Airport and Port Fares**

3. Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Administrative Order, a taxi driver
  - (a) transporting cruise ship passengers from the cruise ship compound at the Halifax Port Corporation property to the destinations outlined in Schedule 2 to this Administrative Order may charge the fares set forth in that Schedule; and
  - (b) transporting passengers to or from the Halifax International Airport to and from the destinations outlined in Schedule 3 to this Administrative Order may charge the fares set forth in that Schedule.

**Taxi Roof Light, Vehicle Marking Requirements & Design**

4. No vehicle shall be operated as a taxi or accessible taxi unless it is equipped with a taxi roof light affixed on the top of the vehicle which meets the following;
  - (a) the design conditions as set out in schedule 4 to this Administrative Order.
  - (b) the roof light is affixed on the top of the taxi vehicle as near as possible to the

centre of the roof, positioned so the front of the roof light is facing the front of the vehicle and **the roof** light must be clearly visible from all sides of the vehicle.

(c) the roof light shall be equipped with one or more number 1156 clear bulbs or a fluorescent bulb emitting an equivalent light mounted in the interior of the sign, which shall be illuminated when the vehicle is being operated as a taxi and the headlights of the vehicle are required by law to be on.

(d) shall bear the business name under which the taxi is being operated in the location and manner set out in Schedule 4 to this Administrative Order for the zone for which the taxi owner license has been issued.

(e) an accessible taxi may be operated without such a roof light affixed on the top of the taxi vehicle, if the accessible taxi has markings on both sides of the vehicle showing the business name under which the taxi is being operated and the taxi license number.

(f) high sided vehicles such as Vans, Crossover's and SUV's may also display markings on both sides of the vehicle showing the business name under which the taxi is being operated and the taxi license number, which complies with conditions as set out in schedule 4 attached hereto.

### **Vehicle Requirements**

5. All taxis, limousines and accessible taxis shall comply with the standards provided in Schedule 5 attached hereto.
6. Pursuant to Section 46(b) of By-law T-108, taxi driver are permitted to transport passengers to destinations in any zone as follows:
  - (i) for the duration of the Canada Winter Games – February 11, 2011 through February 27, 2011.

**Notice of Motion: Councillor Walker**  
**Approval:**

**September 27, 2005**  
**October 11, 2005**

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**Amendment # 1**

**Replace Schedule 3**

**Notice of Motion: Councillor Walker**  
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**October 18, 2005**

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**Amendment # 2**

**Proof of Payment, Taxi Roof Light Signs**

**Notice of Motion: Councillor Hendsbee**  
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**Amendment # 3**

**Replace Schedule 3**

**Notice of Motion: Councillor Karsten**  
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**Amendment # 4**

**Amendment to Schedule 3**

**Notice of Motion: Councillor Adams**  
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**Amendment # 5**

**Amendment to Section 5**

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**Amendment # 6**

**Addition of Section 6**

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**Administration Order # 39 - Schedule 1**

**TAXI RATE SCHEDULE**

THREE DOLLARS initial charge, up to 54 metres;

TWELVE CENTS each 80 metres;

TWENTY-TWO DOLLARS per hour waiting time;

FIVE MINUTES grace to be allowed on pick-up;

FIFTY CENTS each additional passenger;

HOURLY DRIVING RATES by arrangement between driver and passenger, without meter -

TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS PER HOUR;

ONE DOLLAR FIFTY CENTS each steamer trunk;

TEN CENTS for each article, piece of luggage, parcel or bag of groceries handled or placed in the trunk by driver.

CHILDREN under ten shall be carried FREE when accompanied by an adult;

SPECIAL RATES *by contract* are permissible when such rates are provided for by contract between the taxi owner or taxi driver and the customer. When customer contact to obtain taxi service is initiated either by telephone, electronic transmission, the customer is entitled to the fare by meter rate, unless a special rate is agreed upon prior to the taxi departing for the customer pickup. When customer contact is initiated in person, the customer is entitled to the fare by meter rate unless a special rate is agreed upon prior to commencement of trip.

PROOF OF PAYMENT OR PARTIAL PAYMENT IN ADVANCE maybe requested by a taxi driver or owner, prior to transporting the passenger or passengers.

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**LIMOUSINE RATE SCHEDULE**

**FIFTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS - MINIMUM HOURLY RATE**

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**ALL FARES INCLUDE HARMONIZED SALES TAX**

**Administration Order # 39 - Schedule 2**

**Cruise Ship Passenger Taxi Rates Per Vehicle  
(Rates Include HST)**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Length of Tour</b>	<b>Rate</b>
<b>Downtown or Spring Garden Road</b>	<b>10 minutes</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>City Tour</b>	<b>per hour</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>
<b>Peggy's Cove</b>	<b>3 hours</b>	<b>\$135.00</b>
<b>Peggy's Cove / City Tour</b>	<b>4 hours</b>	<b>\$167.00</b>

Schedule 3

Taxi Rates To and From Airport

(Rates Include HST)

**Note:** In the event that passengers are proceeding to more than one destination, drivers will not charge more than the approved rate for the first destination and the metered rate from the restarted meter for each of the succeeding destinations.

**Note:** In the event where a destination is located where two zones are divided (by roads), the fare is the lesser of the two.

Destination	Details	Rate	Zone
Halifax	Peninsula commencing beyond Kearney Lake Rd off Bedford Hwy to Hwy 102 including Bayers Lake and St Margaret's Bay Rd to Rotary	\$53.00	14
	South of the Armdale Rotary including up to corner of North West Arm Dr and Old Sambro Rd to and including William Lake Rd	\$60.00	16
	South of William Lake from corner of Spry Av off Herring Cove Rd to corner of North West Arm Dr and Old Sambro Rd and including Leiblin Park and Thornhill	\$65.00	17
	Ragged Lake	\$60.00	16
Dartmouth	From Hwy 118 exit 13 including Burnside, Shannon Park, Portland & Pleasant, west of Prince Albert Rd, Banook Lake and Main St.	\$50.00	11
Dartmouth (con't)	From Main St including up to Ross Rd and connecting to Cole Harbour Rd, West of Bisset Rd including Colby Village to Atholea Dr off Caldwell Rd	\$55.00	15
	East of Portland & Pleasant up along Prince Albert Rd and Main St up to and including Belmont Av off Pleasant St	\$55.00	
	Beyond Atholea Dr off Caldwell Rd	\$60.00	18
	Montegue Rd including Cherry Brook up to Lake Major Rd, including to Main St and Neilson Dr	\$50.00	11

<b>Bedford</b>	<b>From Lakeview, including Dartmouth Rd to Meadowbrook Dr off Bedford Hwy</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>8</b>
	<b>From Meadowbrook Dr off of Bedford Hwy to and including Kearney Lake Rd to Hwy 102</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Sackville</b>	<b>Up to corner of Beaverbank Rd and Sackville Dr including Lucasville Rd until Hwy overpass and including Lakeview Rd crossing Cobequid Rd</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>8</b>
	<b>Ashburn Golf Club to Terry Rd off Windgate Dr including Windsor Junction Rd until it meets with Cobequid Rd</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>Corner of Beaverbank Rd and Sackville Dr to Lucasville Rd until Hwy overpass and #1459 Sackville Dr. (old Sackville Club)</b>	<b>\$48.00</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>Beyond #1459 Sackville Dr. up to Lewis Lake</b>	<b>\$53.00</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Airport &amp; Aerotech</b>	<b>Airport Property, Hotels and nearby surrounding area</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>Property Trip</b>
<b>Beaver Bank</b>	<b>Including Sindha Dr and West of Terry Rd off Windgate Dr to corner of Beaverbank Rd and Sackville Dr</b>	<b>\$48.00</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>South of Pinehaven Rd including Kinsac Rd</b>	<b>\$53.00</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Beaver Bank (con't)</b>	<b>From Kinsac Rd up to Beaverbank Villa</b>	<b>\$58.00</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bayside</b>		<b>\$89.00</b>	
<b>Beechville</b>	<b>Including Lakeside Industrial Park to corner of St Margaret's Bay Rd and Prospect Rd</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Black Point</b>		<b>\$93.00</b>	
<b>Boutliers Point</b>		<b>\$81.00</b>	
<b>Brookside</b>		<b>\$74.00</b>	
<b>Chezzetcook</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>\$93.00</b>	
	<b>Head</b>	<b>\$93.00</b>	

	West	\$90.00	
Cow Bay	Cow Bay Rd, corner of Bisset Rd to including corner of Dyke Rd near Dogwood Dr	\$65.00	19
Dover	East	\$98.00	
	West	\$103.00	
Dutch Settlement		\$37.00	
Eastern Passage	Including Cow Bay Rd up to corner of Dyke Rd near Dogwood Dr	\$60.00	18
Elderbank		\$58.00	
Enfield		\$23.00	
Exhibition Park	Corner of St Margaret's Bay Rd and Prospect Rd including Mills Dr off Prospect Rd	\$60.00	16
Fall River	South of the corner of Lake Thomas and Holland Rd including Wilson Dr off Waverly Rd over to connection of Fall River Rd to Windsor Junction Rd	\$29.00	4
	Inn on the Lake to Wilsons Gas at the lights	\$29.00	4
Five Islands Lake		\$77.00	
French Village		\$80.00	
Goffs		\$18.00	
Glen Haven		\$77.00	
Glen Margaret		\$86.00	
Grand Lake		\$30.00	
Hackett's Cove		\$91.00	


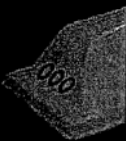
<b>Hammonds Plains</b>	<b>Hammonds Plains Rd and Kearney Lake Rd from Hwy 102 up to and including Pin Hi Golf Club (just beyond Lucasville Rd)</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>7</b>
	<b>Pockwock Road to End</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	
	<b>Pockwock Road to Highway 103</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	
<b>Harrietsfield</b>		<b>\$71.00</b>	
<b>Hatchett Lake</b>		<b>\$71.00</b>	
<b>Head of St. Margaret's</b>		<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>Herring Cove</b>		<b>\$77.00</b>	
<b>Hubbards</b>		<b>\$97.00</b>	
<b>Hubley</b>		<b>\$77.00</b>	
<b>Indian Harbour</b>		<b>\$99.00</b>	
<b>Ingramport</b>		<b>\$80.00</b>	
<b>Jeddore</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>\$123.00</b>	
	<b>Head</b>	<b>\$114.00</b>	
	<b>West</b>	<b>\$119.00</b>	
<b>Ketch Harbour</b>		<b>\$81.00</b>	
<b>Kingswood</b>		<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Lakeside</b>	<b>West of Raines Mill Rd off St Margaret's Bay Rd</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Lakeview</b>		<b>\$38.00</b>	
<b>Lake Charlotte</b>		<b>\$119.00</b>	



<b>Lake Echo</b>		<b>\$68.00</b>	
<b>Lake Fletcher</b>		<b>\$31.00</b>	
<b>Lawrencetown</b>	<b>Beyond Ross Rd up to but not including Lyle Dr and from Bisset Rd including Raindbow Heaven to Corner of Cow Bay Rd</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>12</b>
	<b>West</b>	<b>\$68.00</b>	
	<b>Beach</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>	
<b>Lucasville</b>	<b>Commencing from Hwy 101 overpass on Lucasville Rd</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Meaghers Grant</b>		<b>\$68.00</b>	
<b>Mineville</b>		<b>\$67.00</b>	
<b>Musquodoboit</b>	<b>Harbour</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	
	<b>Middle</b>	<b>\$82.00</b>	
	<b>Upper</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>	
<b>Oakfield</b>		<b>\$26.00</b>	
<b>Oldham</b>		<b>\$22.00</b>	
<b>Peggy's Cove</b>		<b>\$106.00</b>	
<b>Porters Lake</b>		<b>\$79.00</b>	
<b>Portugese Cove</b>		<b>\$81.00</b>	
<b>Preston</b>	<b>North and East Preston including Lake Major Rd to east of Lower Partridge River Rd including Mineville Rd from Hwy 107 exit 18</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Prospect</b>		<b>\$86.00</b>	
<b>Purcells Cove</b>		<b>\$69.00</b>	

<b>Queensland</b>		<b>\$97.00</b>	
<b>Sambro</b>		<b>\$83.00</b>	
<b>Seabright</b>		<b>\$80.00</b>	
<b>Shad Bay</b>		<b>\$73.00</b>	
<b>Sheet Harbour</b>		<b>\$202.00</b>	
<b>Ship Harbour</b>		<b>\$157.00</b>	
<b>Tantallon</b>		<b>\$71.00</b>	
	<b>Upper</b>	<b>\$66.00</b>	
<b>Terence Bay</b>		<b>\$91.00</b>	
<b>Timberlea</b>	<b>East of Cranberry Ln off St Margaret's Bay Rd</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Waverley</b>	<b>Beyond Wilson Dr to corner of Windsor Junction Rd and Cobequid Rd including east of Rocky Lake Drive</b>	<b>\$32.00</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Waverley</b>	<b>East of the corner of Waverley Rd and Rocky Lake Rd to Mount Portobello</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Wellington</b>	<b>Corner of Lake Thomas Dr and Holland Rd up to Laurie Park</b>	<b>\$32.00</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Whites Lake</b>		<b>\$79.00</b>	
<b>Windsor Junction</b>	<b>Ashburn Golf Club to Terry Rd off Windgate Dr including Windsor Junction Rd until it meets with Cobequid Rd</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>	<b>6</b>

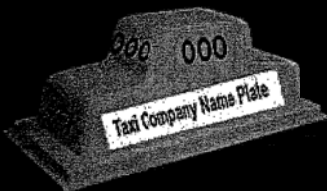

## Schedule 4, Taxi Roof Light, Vehicle Markings Requirement & Design

Schedule 1 - Taxi Roof Light Specifications

DARTMOUTH ZONE	
<p><u>Front/Rear View</u></p>  <p><u>Side View</u></p> 	<p><b>Roof Light:</b></p> <p>Size - 568mm bng            Colour - Yellow            Placement - Secured to centre of roof of cab with suction cups or magnets</p>
	<p><b>Cab Number</b></p> <p>Text - Cab Number            Font - Arial            Letter Size - front/rear - 51mm                              - sides - 42mm            Letter Color - Blue            Placement - Front, Rear, Both Sides of Roof Light</p>
	<p><b>Taxi Company Name Plate</b></p> <p>Plate Size - 456mm x 64mm            Plate Color - Yellow            Text - Company Name            Font - Arial            Letter Size - 47 mm high            Letter Color - Red            Placement - Front, Rear of Roof Light</p>
	<p><b>Illumination:</b></p> <p>Number 1156 clear bulb or fluorescent bulb emitting an equivalent light</p>

COUNTY ZONE	
<p><u>Front/Rear View</u></p>  <p><u>Side View</u></p> 	<p><b>Roof Light</b></p> <p>Size - 568mm long            Colour - White            Placement - Secured to centre of roof of cab with suction cups or magnets</p>
	<p><b>Cab Number</b></p> <p>Text - Cab Number            Font - Arial            Letter Size - front/rear - 51mm                              - sides - 42mm            Letter Color - Blue            Placement - Front, Rear, Both Sides of Roof Light</p>
	<p><b>Taxi Company Name Plate</b></p> <p>Plate Size - 456mm x 64mm            Plate Color - White            Text - Company Name            Font - Arial            Letter Size - 47 mm high            Letter Color - Green            Placement - Front, Rear of Roof Light</p>
	<p><b>Illumination</b></p> <p>Number 1156 clear bulb or fluorescent bulb emitting an equivalent light</p>

HALIFAX ZONE

<p><u>Front/Rear View</u></p>  <p><u>Side View</u></p> 	<b>Roof Light</b>	<p>Size - 425mm long</p> <p>Colour - White</p> <p>Placement - Secured to centre of roof of cab with suction cups or magnets</p>
	<b>Cab Number</b>	<p>Text - Cab Number</p> <p>Font - Arial</p> <p>Letter Size - front/rear - 51mm - sides - 42mm</p> <p>Letter Color - Blue</p> <p>Placement - Front, Rear, Both Sides of Roof Light - top</p>
	<b>Taxi Company Name Plate</b>	<p>Plate Size - 436mm x 64mm</p> <p>Plate Color - White</p> <p>Text - Company Name</p> <p>Font - Arial</p> <p>Letter Size - 47 mm high</p> <p>Letter Color - Red</p> <p>Placement - Front, Rear of Roof Light</p>
	<b>Zone</b>	<p>Text - HFX</p> <p>Font - Arial</p> <p>Letter Size - 50mm</p> <p>Letter Color - Blue</p> <p>Placement - Both Sides of Roof Light - Bottom</p>
	<b>Illumination</b>	<p>Number 1156 clear bulb or fluorescent bulb emitting an equivalent light</p>

## **High Sided Vehicle Markings**

**High sides vehicles such a Vans, Crossover's and SUV's may display markings on both sides of the vehicle showing the business name under which the taxi is being operated and the taxi Number, suggested minimum lettering & numbering requirements:**

**Company Text Font = Arial**

**License Number Font = Arial**

**Company Name Letter Size = 50mm high**

**License Number Size = 50mm high**

## **Schedule 5 Vehicle Requirements**

**1. Each taxi, accessible taxi or limousine shall meet and be maintained to the following requirements:**

- (a) be equipped with an engine of at least four cylinders;**
- (b) pass inspection by an authorized official of the Licensing Authority;**
- (c) bear a valid, non rejected, Province of Nova Scotia motor vehicle safety sticker and matching certificate, which is not more than 12 months old;**
- (d) insured in the amounts and with the coverage required pursuant By-law T-108;**
- (e) has a height from the top of the floor to the underneath side of the roof of at least 45 inches;**
- (f) has a width from the inside of one door post to the inside of the door post on the opposite side of at least 54 inches;**
- (g) has a length from the dashboard, excluding extremities, to the front of the back seat of at least 63 inches;**
- (h) has first class repairs with no visible body fillers, rust, primer paint, accidental damage or similar defects and the interior passenger and trunk areas are maintained in a clean and orderly condition;**
- (i) have a wheelbase measurement of at least 105 inches;**
- (j) shall have a maximum seating capacity of eight (8) passengers excluding the driver**

**2. A taxi shall have four passenger doors (excluding any rear hatches) and includes vehicles such as Sedan's, Station Wagon's, SUV's, Cross Over's and Mini Van's, and notwithstanding section 1, smaller fuel efficient vehicles, fitting the performance standard of 7.8 litres per 100 km or less, as well as subsections (b) (c) (d) (h) and (j) of section 1, may be permitted as taxis, subject to the following minimum measurements;**

- (i) a width from the inside of one door post to the inside of the door post on the opposite side of at least 51 inches.**
- (ii) a wheelbase measurement from the centre of the front wheel to the centre of the rear wheel of at least 101 inches.**

**3. An accessible taxi shall provide ease of entry to or egress from the vehicle in a safe and dignified manner by means of an on-board lift or ramp, and conform with all sections of Canadian Standard Association D409: Motor Vehicles for the Transportation of Persons with Physical Disabilities;**

**4. A limousines shall be a full sized luxury class four door sedan or full sized luxury class Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) motor vehicle having a standard seating capacity for at least four passengers excluding the driver, which has carpeted floors and either a leather or other superior quality upholstered interior, and is furnished with a minimum of four of the following features:**

- (i) glass partition separating the front and rear seats;**
- (ii) top quality interior appointments, being either leather or other plush upholstery;**

- (iii) power windows;**
- (iv) one-way tinted glass;**
- (v) television;**
- (vi) stereo system;**
- (vii) cellular telephone;**
- (viii) air conditioning;**

**and restricted to the following makes:**

- (i) Cadillac;**
- (ii) Lincoln;**
- (iii) Rolls Royce;**
- (iv) Jaguar;**
- (v) Mercedes-Benz;**
- (vi) Bentley**
- (vii) Royal Princess;**
- (viii) any other vehicle which the Licensing Authority determines to be of comparable limousine quality to those vehicles listed above.**