

KINGSTON AREA TAXI LICENSING COMMISSION

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NOTICE TO TAXI INDUSTRY NEW ACCESSIBLE TAXI LICENSES BECOMING AVAILABLE

The Commission has reviewed submissions regarding the Accessible Taxi Program and the challenges faced by those who own and operate Accessible Taxi Plates.

The Commission has made the following changes to the Accessible Taxi License Fee Schedule:

- Renewal fees for Accessible Taxi Plateholders and Drivers will be waived for 2022 and all subsequent years
- The initial license fee for new Accessible Taxi Plateholders (\$600) and Drivers (\$135) will still be required.

To ensure the availability of Accessible Taxicabs, two (2) additional Accessible Taxi Plates will be made available. The following provisions apply:

- Applications will be available from the Commission office and accepted until December 7, 2021
- Only new plateholders will be permitted to apply
- Successful completion of the AODA training regimen will be required
- Successful applicants will have access to interest-free loans of up to \$20,000 (repayable over 36 months) to assist in the purchase and retrofitting of an Accessible Vehicle
- Successful applicants will be announced during the December 8 Commission meeting.