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Subject: Taxi Fares

Hi,

This specifically relates to disabled cabs.

- 1) All new cabs should be wheelchair accessible
- 2) Drivers must not be allowed to reject wheelchair jobs irrespective of the fare. Many small jobs are rejected by drivers time and time again.
- 3) A monthly inspection of all cabs should be conducted to ensure that the cabs are road worthy and that they have appropriate wheelchair restraints. Some cabs lack this.
- 4) Wheelchair cabs should be allowed to stop in No Parking, No Stopping, and Loading Zones to pick up and drop wheelchair passengers.
- 5) The present M40 and M50 subsidy should be stepped up to 100% for travel to work and back. For other trips the subsidy should be 75%
- 6) The present flagfall should be changed to \$ 5.00 but to include travel for the first 3 KM.
- 7) Radio booking fee should be \$ 3.00 but only if the cab arrives within 10 minutes of booking. Sometimes the wait for passengers is up to 4 hours. My average wait time is at least an hour each way.

Thanks and Regards