Driver Pay Updates

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Taxi & Limousine Commission
Taxi Driver Pay and Expenses

• Maximum credit card surcharge reduction from $11 to $7 a shift now saves full-time drivers up to $100/month.

• For drivers of accessible vehicles:
  • Incentive payments increased from $0.50/trip to $1.00/trip for yellow drivers (and green drivers now also receive $1.00/trip). Increase of up to $1700/year.
  • Deadhead payments for accessible dispatch now begin at $15 (and go up to $35).

• For owner-drivers of accessible vehicles:
  • Hack-up payments under TIF will be available for anyone who hacks up a WAV, even if not required.
  • Maintenance payments will continue as long as the vehicle remains in service.
High-Volume Driver Pay Rules

• **96%** of high-volume app company drivers (Uber, Lyft, Juno/Gett, and Via) made below the independent contractor equivalent of the minimum wage ($17.22 an hour) for at least one trip.

• New rules mandated a **driver pay standard** and additional **data to monitor the payments according to that standard** went into effect for High Volume For-Hire Services on February 1st, 2019.

• The pay standard includes minimum pay rates for **time** and **mileage** spent with a passenger.

• Rules required **new data reporting** to audit and identify trips paid below the minimum.
71 million Trips
February through third week of May under the new standard
Since the rule went into effect, drivers have been paid an additional $172 million (comparing per-trip pay from August 2017 – July 2018, to per-trip pay from February through third week of May 2019)
UNDERPAID TRIPS PER DAY, Feb 1 – March 31, 2019