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## TLC ISSUES REMINDER ON ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INDEPENDENT UNRESTRICTED MEDALLIONS, WAV RESTRICTED MEDALLIONS, ALTERNATIVE FUEL MEDALLIONS AND MINIFLEETS

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) wishes to remind its licensees of accessibility requirements and eligibility for financial assistance through the Taxi Improvement Fund (TIF). In addition, please see below for further information on retirement cycles and vehicle requirements.

### **Independent Unrestricted Medallions**

All independent unrestricted medallions will alternate accessibility requirements during each subsequent retirement cycle. The medallions selected in one of the accessibility drawings must hack-up an Accessible Nissan NV200 when their current vehicle is retired (first retirement cycle). Per TLC rule 67-05.1B(b)(3), if you wish to purchase another TLC-approved accessible vehicle, you must apply for and be granted one of the Accessible Taxi of Tomorrow waivers before purchase. Medallions *not* selected in an accessibility drawing are not required to place an accessible vehicle into service when their current vehicle is retired.

To find out if your Independent Unrestricted medallion was selected in an accessibility drawing, please consult Industry Notice #16-01 (on TLC web site at:

[http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/downloads/pdf/industry\\_notice\\_16\\_01.pdf](http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/downloads/pdf/industry_notice_16_01.pdf))

and notifications previously sent via mail.

Independent Unrestricted Medallions are eligible for four years of financial assistance through the TIF for every approved accessible vehicle that is required to be placed into service.

### **WAV (Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle) Restricted Medallions**

WAV Restricted Medallions are required to operate only approved accessible vehicles at all times.

WAV Restricted Medallions are eligible for four years of financial assistance through the TIF for every other approved accessible vehicle placed into service upon the retirement of your current vehicle (first retirement cycle).

### **Minifleets**

Where a minifleet consists of two unrestricted medallions, the medallion assigned to the first vehicle that is scheduled to retire must place into service an approved accessible vehicle. Thereafter, at least one medallion (though not necessarily the *same* medallion) must be assigned to an approved accessible vehicle.



**INDUSTRY NOTICE #16-06  
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Where a minifleet consists of more than two unrestricted medallions, every medallion scheduled to retire must place into service an approved accessible vehicle until at least one-half of the minifleet's vehicles are accessible. Thereafter, at least one half of the minifleet's medallions (though not necessarily the same medallions) must be assigned to accessible vehicles.

Minifleets are eligible for four years of financial assistance through the TIF for every approved accessible vehicle required to be placed into service.

**Alternative Fuel Medallions**

Alternative Fuel Restricted Medallions are required to operate only approved alternative fuel vehicles at all times and are not required to place an accessible vehicle into service.

For additional information on vehicle requirements, please visit our web site at [http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/industry/taxicab\\_vehicles\\_in\\_use.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/industry/taxicab_vehicles_in_use.shtml)

To learn more about program requirements of the Taxi Improvement Fund, please visit our web site at [www.nyc.gov/tif](http://www.nyc.gov/tif), or contact us at TIF@tlc.nyc.gov.

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