NEW YORK CITY TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Notice of Promulgation

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 1043(f) of the New York City Charter ("Charter") that the Taxi and Limousine Commission ("TLC") promulgates rules pursuant to Local Law 78 of 2025 to require that all taxicabs and for-hire vehicles add cyclist awareness decals inside the rear passenger doors.

The rule is promulgated pursuant to sections 1043 and 2303 of the Charter and sections 19-503 and 19-557 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York. This rule was published in the City Record on August 4, 2025 for public comment. On September 3, 2025 a public hearing was held virtually by the TLC, and the rules were adopted by the Commission on September 17, 2025.

Statement of Basis and Purpose

TLC is adopting changes to its rules to implement Local Law 78 of 2025, which amended the Administrative Code of the City of New York to require that all taxicabs and for-hire vehicles add cyclist awareness decals, to be provided at no charge by the Commission, on the inside of rear passenger doors, warning passengers to look for cyclists before opening the door. The rule includes penalties for failure to display the decals if not corrected within 10 days of notice of the violation.

TLC received comments objecting to the imposition of a penalty for failing to display the decal; however, Local Law 78 requires the TLC set a penalty for this violation. The rules provide that no penalty will be issued for a missing decal if the condition is corrected within 10 days, and TLC will ensure decals are readily available so that licensees can immediately correct the violation without receiving a summons or notice of violation.

TLC's authority for these rules is found in sections 1043 and 2303 of the New York City Charter and sections 19-503 and 19-549 of the New York City Administrative Code.

New material is underlined.
[Material inside brackets indicates deleted material.]

Section 1. Subdivision (f) of Section 58-32 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(f)   *Approved Interior Markings.* An Owner must not display inside a Taxicab any advertising or other notice not specifically authorized by these rules or the Commission's Marking Specifications for Taxicabs unless approved by the Commission, except for the following:

(1)   Industry signage/logos of all credit/debit cards accepted by the Technology System, all of equal size[; and]_.

(2)   Advertising on the Technology System as set forth below in the Taxicab Marking Specifications table (§58-32(i)) and in §67-15(d) of these Rules.

§58-32(f)(2)	Fine: $50	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

(3)   _Cyclist Awareness Decal._ An Owner must equip all Taxicabs with decals provided by the Commission warning passengers to look for cyclists before opening the door. Such decals must be placed on the inside of both rear passenger doors.

§58-32(f)(3)	Fine: $50 if plead guilty before a hearing; $75 if found guilty following a hearing. No penalty for missing decal if condition is corrected within 10 days	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

Section 2. Subdivision (i) of Section 58-32 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new paragraph (u), to read as follows:

(u) Cyclist Awareness Decals (required)	Inside of both rear passenger doors	As issued by the Commission

Section 3. Section 59A-29 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision (o) to read as follows:

(o)   _Required Decal._ Each For-Hire Vehicle must display decals provided by the Commission warning passengers to look for cyclists before opening the door. Such decals must be placed on the inside of both rear passenger doors.

§59A-29(o)	Fine: $50 if plead guilty before a hearing; $75 if found guilty following a hearing. No penalty for missing decal if condition is corrected within 10 days	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

Section 4. Section 59B-29 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision (q) to read as follows:

(q)   *Required Decal.* Each For-Hire Vehicle must display decals provided by the Commission warning passengers to look for cyclists before opening the door. Such decals must be placed on the inside of both rear passenger doors.

§59B-29(q)	Fine: $50 if plead guilty before a hearing; $75 if found guilty following a hearing. No penalty for missing decal if condition is corrected within 10 days	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

Section 5. Subdivision (f) of Section 82-33 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(f)   *Approved Interior Markings.* A Licensee must not display inside a Street Hail Livery any advertising or other notice not specifically authorized by these rules or the Commission's Marking Specifications for Street Hail Liveries unless approved by the Commission, except for the following:

(1)   Industry signage/logos of all credit/debit cards accepted by the Technology System, all of equal size, shown on the Technology System[; and].

(2)   Advertising on the Technology System as set forth in the Street Hail Liveries Marking Specifications table (§82-33(1)) of these Rules.

§82-33(f)(2)	Fine: $50 if plead guilty before a hearing; $75 if found guilty following a hearing	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

(3)   *Cyclist Awareness Decal.* An Owner must equip all Street Hail Liveries with decals provided by the Commission warning passengers to look for cyclists before opening the door. Such decals must be placed on the inside of both rear passenger doors.

§82-33(f)(3)	Fine: $50 if plead guilty before a hearing; $75 if found guilty following a hearing. No penalty for missing decal if condition is corrected within 10 days	Appearance NOT REQUIRED

Section 6. Subdivision (l) of Section 82-33 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new paragraph (r), to read as follows:

| (r) Cyclist Awareness Decals (required) | Inside of both rear passenger doors | As issued by the Commission |