

**CITY OF YORKTON
SASKATCHEWAN**

BYLAW NO. 35/94

**A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF YORKTON IN THE PROVINCE
OF SASKATCHEWAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION
AND CONTROL OF TAXICABS AND TAXICAB DRIVERS**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Yorkton is empowered by Section 161 of The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 to control, regulate and license owners and operators of taxicabs used for hire in the City of Yorkton;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Yorkton in Council assembled enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as the Taxicab Bylaw.
2. For the purpose of this bylaw:
 - (a) "Cab" "Taxi" or "Taxicab" means an automobile duly licensed under the provisions of The Vehicles Act, and used for the conveyance of passengers within the City of Yorkton for a fee, but shall not include a public service vehicle or a vehicle of a transportation company having a franchise granted by the City of Yorkton or any person or company which provides public transportation services under a contract or agreement with the City;
 - (b) "City" means the City of Yorkton;
 - (c) "Council" means the Council of the City of Yorkton;
 - (d) "License Inspector" shall mean the License Inspector for the City of Yorkton as appointed from time to time, or anyone authorized to act on his behalf, and any member of the Municipal R.C.M. Police;
 - (e) "Operator" shall mean any person in de facto charge of the operation of the taxi, whether he is the owner of the taxi or is an agent, licensee, or employee of the owner;
 - (f) "Owner" shall mean any person, firm or corporation that has the control, direction and maintenance of a taxi and the benefit of the collection of revenue derived from the operation of the taxi, whether as registered owner, licensee or in possession under any conditional sale, chattel mortgage or hire-purchase agreement, receiving calls for taxi service and dispatching taxis;

3.
 - (a) No person shall operate or suffer or permit to be operated any taxicab within the City of Yorkton until the license fee prescribed under the provisions of the License Bylaw of the City of Yorkton has been paid, and the necessary license issued by the License Inspector of the City of Yorkton.
 - (b) Prior to the annual licensing of any vehicle for use as a taxicab, the owner shall produce to the Licensing Inspector, a valid taxi inspection certificate and decal from a qualified mechanic appointed by Traffic Safety Services of Saskatchewan Government Insurance.
 - (c) The taxi inspection certificate and decal referred to in 3.(b) must be renewed yearly and be dated no more than sixty (60) days prior to the expiry date of the vehicle registration, as required by Saskatchewan Government Insurance.
 - (d) A person operating a taxicab shall carry a valid inspection certificate within the taxicab and shall at all times display a valid inspection decal on the rear right side window of the taxicab.
 - (e) The cost of obtaining the annual inspection shall be the responsibility of the owner.
 - (f) Every taxicab license issued shall expire on the 31st day of December in the year of issuance.
4.
 - (a) Every owner and operator shall post and keep posted in a conspicuous place in each taxicab, the tariff of fees established and charged by the taxicab operator on a card clearly visible and legible to any passenger who rides in the taxicab.
 - (b) Any person who charges or attempts to charge a fee in excess of the posted fee is guilty of an offense.
5.
 - (a) Every operator shall carry in a taxicab, no more than the number of persons for which the taxi capacity has been rated by Provincial Law.
 - (b) Every owner and operator of a taxicab in the City, shall ensure that the taxi is kept in a neat, clean and tidy condition, both as to its interior and exterior while it is in use as a taxicab.
 - (c) Smoking tobacco in any form or manner shall be prohibited in a taxicab and every owner and operator shall post a "no smoking" sign that is clearly visible and legible to any passenger who rides in the taxicab.
6. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this bylaw is guilty of an offense and punishable upon summary conviction to a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$200.00 and in default of payment of the fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

This bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the date of its final passing.

Read a first time this 12th day of December A.D. 1994.

Read a second time this 9th day of January A.D. 1995.

Read a third time this 9th day of January A.D. 1995.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK