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AIR-CONDITIONING IS A MUST FOR ALL NEW YORK CITY TAXICABS

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) today reminds all taxicab drivers and owners that **air-conditioning must be fully-functional, and available on request for all passengers.**

If any taxicabs are being operated without fully-functional air-conditioning units, as required by TLC regulations, both drivers and owners are subject to stringent penalties.

OWNERS RULES SECTION 1-14 (a): Each taxicab commencing with the 1990 model year and for all model years thereafter shall be equipped with an operable air conditioning system; when the vehicle is equipped with a partition, the air conditioning system must be able to provide cool air to the rear passenger area.

DRIVERS RULES SECTION 2-46 (d): An air conditioning device in a taxicab shall be turned on or off at the request of a passenger.