

**Industry Notice # 09-21  
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## **TLC DEFERS BLACK CAR MPG REQUIREMENT REGULATION FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS**

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) today announced that, due to the continued impact of the economic downturn on Black Car industry revenues, as well as its subsequent negative effect on Black Car vehicle financing, the implementation and enforcement of regulations requiring that all Black Cars being placed into service as of January 1, 2010 achieve a city rating of 25 miles per gallon will be deferred for a period of six months.

As stated above, the enforcement of provisions set forth in Section 6-09(a) of TLC For-Hire Vehicle Rules (“Black Car Vehicle Specifications”), which had been previously deferred by one year to January 1, 2010, will be deferred for an additional six months – modifying the compliance date from January 1, 2010 to July 1, 2010. TLC rules implementing the mandatory retirement of vehicles used as Black Cars have likewise been deferred.