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FOR-HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) DRIVER EDUCATION REQUIREMENT BEGINS DECEMBER 20, 2015

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) informs its licensees that For-Hire Vehicle (FHV) Driver Education will be required for Livery, Black Car, and Luxury Limousine Driver license applicants and for FHV drivers who received their licenses on or after March 20, 2015.

With nearly 80,000 licensed FHV drivers performing approximately 500,000 trips per day, well-trained drivers are important for a safe, efficient, and active for-hire transportation industry. In January 2015, the Commission approved rules ([55-04\(j\)](#)) requiring FHV drivers to fulfill the FHV Education requirement by completing a 24-hour course at a certified education provider and pass the FHV driver exam in order to get their licenses.

Starting December 20, 2015, FHV driver applicants and conditional FHV drivers (drivers who received their licenses on or after March 20, 2015*) will be required to complete the FHV Education requirement to get or keep their FHV license.

Drivers will be required to complete the course according to the following schedule:

- New FHV driver license applicants must complete the course and pass an exam in order to get a license. They will have 90 days from the day they submitted their license application to complete the course and pass the exam.
- Current FHV drivers who obtained their licenses on or after March 20, 2015 must complete the course and pass the exam before they renew their licenses. TLC will notify drivers of this requirement by mail at least 90 days prior to their license renewal date.
- FHV drivers who obtained their licenses before March 20, 2015 are not required to take the course or pass the exam.

The FHV course will be available in English, Spanish, Bengali, and Urdu at the same Schools that provide Taxi School. For a list of Schools that will offer the required course, please visit our website at:

http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/downloads/pdf/taxischool_post_filing.pdf

If you have questions about FHV School, please contact the TLC's call center at 718-391-5501.

*The FHV Driver Education requirement (TLC Rule [55-04\(j\)](#)) went into effect March 20, 2015.