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NOTICE: WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLE RETIREMENT NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR MEDALLIONS AS OF 7/20/24

The new TLC Rules eliminating the vehicle retirement dates for Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs) will go into effect on 7/20/24. This date marks a new era and a hopeful time for the medallion industry and passengers requiring accessible service. With no set vehicle retirement date, medallion owners will have the ability to operate their WAVs for longer periods of time without having to purchase a new vehicle, as long as the vehicle continues to pass its scheduled TLC inspections. This is a victory for both the riding public in the form of increased WAV accessibility and the medallion industry in terms of vehicle related costs.

The full rule can be viewed here:

https://www.nyc.gov/assets/tlc/downloads/pdf/rules_06_05_24_final_promulgated.pdf

The new rules also implement new accessibility standards for For-Hire Vehicles (FHVs). FHVs are now subject to the same accessibility standards as those of accessible medallion vehicles. As of 7/20/24, any new FHV accessible vehicles must be on the approved vehicle list, which is available on the TLC's website at the following page:

https://www.nyc.gov/site/tlc/vehicles/accessible-vehicle-requirements.page

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