

Point-to-Point Passenger Transport Industry Regulations 2020

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**POINT-TO-POINT PASSENGER TRANSPORT
INDUSTRY ACT 2019
(ACT 20 OF 2019)**

**POINT-TO-POINT PASSENGER TRANSPORT
INDUSTRY REGULATIONS 2020**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 53 of the Point-to-Point Passenger Transport Industry Act 2019, the Land Transport Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Point-to-Point Passenger Transport Industry Regulations 2020 and come into operation on 29 May 2020.

Definition

2. In these Regulations, “licence expiry date”, for a renewed licence, means the date of expiry of the licence if not for its renewal.

PART 2

TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH RIDE-HAIL SERVICE

Declared permissible vehicle as bookable vehicle

3. A motor car registered in the name of an individual, that is used —
- (a) by the individual, a member of the individual’s family, or any other person with the individual’s authority without reward or expectation of reward;
 - (b) for the carriage of passengers only either for —
 - (i) social or domestic purposes; or
 - (ii) the individual’s business; and
 - (c) without involving the participation of anyone in an instructional driving course for reward or expectation of reward,

is prescribed as permissible for the purposes of paragraph (c) of the definition of “bookable vehicle” in section 4(1) of the Act.

Vehicle pooling arrangement prescribed as “on-demand ride booking service”

4.—(1) A vehicle pooling arrangement that meets the description as follows is prescribed for the purposes of paragraph (c) of the definition of “on-demand ride booking service” in section 4(1) of the Act:

- (a) the vehicle pooling arrangement involves only any of the following types of vehicles:
 - (i) bookable vehicles described in regulation 3;
 - (ii) a public service vehicle which is classified as a taxi under the Second Schedule to the Road Traffic Act (Cap. 276);

- (iii) a private hire car (within the meaning given by the Road Traffic Act) which is hired, or made available for hire, under a contract (express or implied) for use as a whole with a driver for the purpose of conveying one or more passengers (if any) in that car;

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- (b) the vehicle pooling arrangement is for the provision of a passenger transport service for a journey or part of a journey that a driver would be undertaking in any event;
- (c) the vehicle pooling arrangement involves directly matching —
 - (i) drivers of such bookable vehicles who make available the booking of their vehicles to provide a passenger transport service for a journey or part of a journey mentioned in sub-paragraph (b); with
 - (ii) prospective passengers seeking to book a passenger transport service for a journey or part of a journey mentioned in sub-paragraph (b),and communicating the booking, or facilitating the prospective passenger to communicate his or her booking, to the driver of such a bookable vehicle to provide that passenger transport service;
- (d) the passenger transport service provided under the vehicle pooling arrangement is not a result of standing or plying for hire on a road by the driver of the vehicle or any other person;
- (e) a payment by a passenger for the passenger transport service is substantially limited to making a contribution to the costs incurred by the driver in making the journey.

Example

A service called “GrabHitch”.

(2) However, paragraph (1) does not include a vehicle pooling arrangement whereby —

- (a) several individuals travel together in a bookable vehicle on a journey on the basis that they will share the transport costs or driving duties or both; or
- (b) several individuals agree to transport one another in each other’s motor car

in turns over a fixed period, correspondingly apportioning transport costs, for the purpose of commuting to work or to a regular sporting, recreational or other activity of their common interest.

Service prescribed as “on-demand ride booking service”

5. For the purposes of paragraph (d) of the definition of “on-demand ride booking service” in section 4(1) of the Act, a service provided as follows in the course of business is prescribed an on-demand ride booking service:

- (a) a service that involves matching a prospective passenger, or facilitating a prospective passenger communicating, with a driver who provides a passenger transport service, in order for a booking of that driver to provide a passenger transport service;

Example

A service called “Call the Driver”.

- (b) a service provided through an online location or electronic media application, that involves —
 - (i) drivers of bookable vehicles making available the booking of their bookable vehicles to provide a passenger transport service for a journey offered by the driver;
 - (ii) prospective passengers seeking to book a passenger transport service for a journey or part of a journey mentioned in sub-paragraph (i); and
 - (iii) communicating the booking by the prospective passenger to the driver to provide that passenger transport service using a bookable vehicle;

Example

A service called “Driver Initiates”.

- (c) a service provided through an online location or electronic media application, that involves —
 - (i) prospective passengers seeking to book a passenger transport service for a journey starting at a location and time fixed by the