# APPLICATION FOR COUNTRY TAXI OPERATOR ACCREDITATION

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Applications may be lodged -

- Via email to dit.alcenquiries@sa.gov.au
- By mail posted to Accreditation and Licensing, GPO Box 1533, ADELAIDE SA 5001
- In person at any Service SA Centre

Telephone: (08) 7109 8117 Website: www.service.sa.gov.au Email: dit.alcenquiries@sa.gov.au

ABN: 92 366 288 135

#### PLEASE READ THIS SECTION PRIOR TO COMPLETING THE FORM

This application is for accreditation to operate a country taxi in the State of South Australia.

All applications for New, Modified or Renewal of Operator Accreditation require approval from Accreditation and Licensing.

The information provided on this form is protected according to the South Australian Government's Information Privacy Principles, but may be subject to access under the Freedom of Information Act 1991. The Freedom of Information Act 1991 gives a person the right to be given access to information held by the Government in accordance with the Act.

1. APPLICANT DETAILS					
As the <b>APPLICANT</b> for Operator Accreditation, please complete the information below. If a "Company Name" or "Joint Names" is to be used below, you must be duly authorised to sign on it's behalf.					
Applicant's Name:	Telephone No. ( )				
Company Name: (if applicable)					
Address:	Postcode:				
Postal address:					
Licence/ Accreditation No.	Email:				
If the Operator Acci	reditation is to be in JOINT NAMES with the above, please list other joint owners below:				
Name:	Licence/ Accreditation No.				
Name:	Licence/ Accreditation No.				
Have you, a partnership you have been involved in, or a company in which you have held a position of influence been declared bankrupt, or insolvent or filed bankruptcy or insolvency in the last 8 years?					
NOTE: ASIC Extracts	must be provided to verify all directors.				
	ENTIONED ABOVE, AND ALL COMPANY DIRECTORS LISTED ON THE COMPANY EXTRACT, MUST				
SUPPLY EITHER A NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK, NOT OLDER THAN 3 MONTHS, OBTAINED FROM ANY					
PROVIDER, INCLUDING ONLINE PROVIDERS, ACCREDITED BY ACIC (REFER TO WWW.ACIC.GOV.AU FOR A FULL					
LIST OF ACCREDITED PROVIDERS) OR HOLD CURRENT DRIVER ACCREDITATION.					
2. TRADING DETAIL	.s				
ASIC Trading Name: (A Business Name Extract must be sighted to verify the Business/Trading Name)					
TRANSACTION TYP					

In accordance with Regulation 9(1)(v) of the Passenger Transport Regulations 2009, all passenger vehicle operators, including taxi operators, require a minimum of \$5 million Public Liability Insurance, issued by an insurance company incorporated in Australia. The Insurance must be current at all times throughout the accreditation period. Authorised Applicants / Operators who sign this form are deemed to have made a declaration they hold such cover and will ensure public liability Insurance remains current throughout the period of accreditation.

# 4. THIRD PARTY PROPERTY INSURANCE

All passenger vehicle operators must also have third party property Insurance issued by an insurance company incorporated in Australia for each vehicle used. Authorised Applicants / Operators signing this form confirm, that all persons driving the vehicle for the purpose of providing a passenger transport service, are covered by the vehicle insurance and hold current driver accreditation. It is the responsibility as an operator to ensure vehicle insurance remains current at all times.

### 5. NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK

It will be necessary for all individuals mentioned above to provide a **National Criminal History Check** when an application for operator accreditation is lodged.

You may obtain this from any provider, including online providers, accredited by the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (refer to www.acic.gov.au).

Certificates older than three months from the date of issue will not be accepted.

Please note, if you hold a current driver accreditation, you will not be required to supply a new National Criminal History Check.

If the application for operator accreditation is in the name of a company, all partners, directors or interested persons must also provide a **National Criminal History Check** unless a current driver accreditation is held.

# 6. TAXI VEHICLE STANDARDS (suitable vehicle)

- Sedans / station sedans: A minimum passenger seating capacity of 4 (excluding driver).
- People movers / vans: A minimum passenger seating capacity of 4 (excluding driver) and a maximum of 11 (excluding driver) passengers plus the driver.

### 7. TAXI AGE LIMIT

The maximum age limit for country taxis is as per Regulation 135(1)(b)(i) Passenger Transport Regulations 2009.

NOTE: Left hand drive vehicles cannot be approved.

# 8. APPLICANTS FOR COUNTRY TAXI OPERATOR ACCREDITATION

Country Taxi Service Plan
Provide the following addresses:
Place of Business:
Booking Office:
Address Vehicle will be based or garaged:
Booking Telephone No. ( ) Fax No. ( ) Email:
Please demonstrate and provide sufficient evidence why and how you consider your proposed service will be viable within your area?
Will your vehicles be associated with a separate booking service? YES NO
If yes, the name, address and a letter of authority is required from the booking service.
Will your country taxi(s) be wheelchair accessible?

Proposed country taxi service area: (please provide a map of area to be serviced)					
Council Area	City / Town				
Country Taxi Operators should comply with all reasonable requests for carriage for hire within their service area. The Country Taxi Service area will be applied in relation to the schedule of fares.					
If your proposed service will not operate 24hrs / 7days, please provide the country taxi hours of service.					

# 9. ADVICE PROVIDER (New Operators Only)

**SERVICE PLAN (Continued)** 

It is recommended you obtain independent professional advice from an Accountant, Bank Manager, Financial Advisor or a similarly qualified person in relating to the viability of your proposed services. This should include a comprehensive evaluation of your business and marketing plan covering all aspects of your proposed service.

# 10. VEHICLE DETAILS FOR PROPOSED COUNTRY TAXIS

New vehicles to your accreditation or first time applications for accreditation.

	Current Registration Number	Taxi Meter Make and ID Number	Wheel-Chair Accessible YES / NO	Month and Year of Manufacture	OFFICE USE ONLY New Number Allocated
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

For applications involving more than 10 vehicles, please use additional form(s).

PLEASE NOTE: A current certificate of inspection for all of the vehicles listed above must accompany this application.

# 11. TAXI ROOF SIGN

Each vehicle shall be fitted with an illuminated Taxi roof sign identifying the vehicle as a taxi (photograph is required for all different taxi roof signs to be used).

### 12. TAXI LIVERY

All country taxis must display the name of the centralised booking service or booking office used by the accredited person to take bookings for the service. Livery must include the credit cards which are accepted.

Please provide a photo of your taxi for Sections 11 and 12.

### 13. TAXI METER

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### 14. NOT FOR HIRE SIGNS

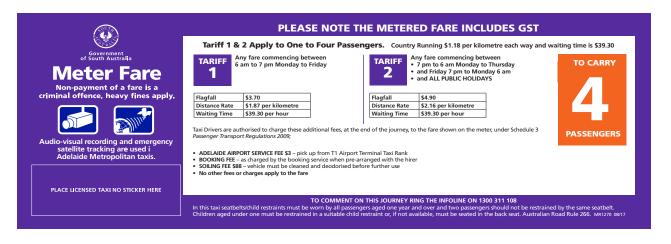
Country Taxis are required to display a 'not for hire' sign when a taxi is not in service (The Australian Design Rules states that the sign is to be displayed on the back of the sun visor of the passenger side). (see Section 15.)

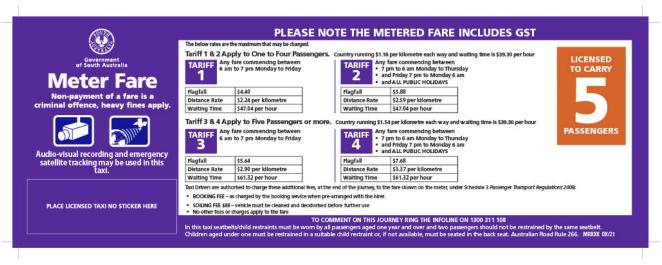
#### 15. SAMPLE

Country Taxis are required to display the fare information sign in the inside top left hand (kerb side front) corner of the windscreen:

PLEASE NOTE - A Notice of Country Taxi Fares Form MR1670 must be submitted with this application.

Sample:





Sample of a 'Not For Hire' sticker:

# **Not For Hire**

# 16. SOUTH AUSTRALIAN TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME FARES

Specific conditions for Country Taxis to accept South Australian Transport Subsidy Scheme (SATSS) fares:

- An approved taxi meter
- Operators of Country Taxis must accept a SATSS card or voucher as part payment for a journey when presented.
- It is a requirement that you understand your obligations in the document titled "Conditions of Use for SATSS Operators and Drivers in Regional South Australia"

Contact SATSS Administration on 1300 360 840 for further information.

I have read and understood the conditions for accepting SATSS payments YES NO

17. SECURITY CAMERA

Do you have a Security Camera fitted? YES NO

If yes, please provide details of how you will comply with the requirements under the Passenger Transport Act 1994.

18. DRIVER KNOWLEDGE
Drivers are expected to have a working knowledge of routes and roads in the area they drive a country taxi in. Please attach details of how you will ensure your drivers have appropriate knowledge of your country taxi service area:

### 19. GENERAL INFORMATION

(Please use a separate sheet if necessary)

General Information for an operator of a Country taxi service:

- · A country taxi is permitted to ply for hire in a public street, road or place in its service area.
- A country taxi service is only allowed to operate a passenger transport service outside of its service area for the purpose of completing or commencing a hiring from or to its service area.
- A country taxi is not allowed to operate a passenger transport service within the Metropolitan area except as allowed by the regulations.
- A country taxi shall be registered in the appropriate compulsory third party premium class.
- Country taxi operators should be aware of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Commonwealth) requirement for Public Passenger Vehicles, including taxis.
- To remove a country taxi from service, all taxi signage must be removed and Country Taxi Number Plates must be EITHER returned to Accreditation and Licensing OR immediately reused on a repacement country taxi.

Upon receipt of the new country taxi plates from Accreditation and Licensing, the country taxi operator will change the number plates and forward the *old plates* to Accreditation and Licensing.

It is a condition of accreditation that the services proposed in this application as lodged with Accreditation and Licensing are provided as stated. You must notify Accreditation and Licensing of any variations to your operations.

NOTE: The driver of a country taxi must hold the appropriate Small Passenger (SP) or Taxi (TX) driver accreditation.

20. COURT PROCEEDINGS
Have you ever been charged, found guilty or convicted of an offence in a Court of Law in South Australia or any other State or Court
YES NO
Are there any criminal or traffic matters <b>currently pending</b> against you in South Australia or any other State or Country?
YES NO
Have you been charged, found guilty or convicted of an offence in a Court of Law in South Australia or any other State or, Country since you <b>last</b> supplied a National Criminal History Check for either Operator or Driver Accreditation?
YES NO
If yes, to any of the above question(s), please complete details of the offence(s) below:
COURT DATE OFFENCE RESULT

1	declare the fo	pregoing particulars			
relating to my Application for Operator Accreditation are true and correct, and that all copies of documents provided by me are accurate and unaltered from the originals.					
I hereby authorise the <b>Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department)</b> to carry out checks with any <b>Australian State Police Department, Australian Licensing Authority or Insurance Provider</b> in respect of charges, offences or any other information regarding my fitness and propriety to hold accreditation.					
I consent to the disclosure of my accreditation status to any accredited Centralised Booking Sen administering the Passenger Transport Act 1994 and the Passenger Transport Regulations 2009		rposes of			
I will comply with the relevant provisions of the <i>Passenger Transport Act 1994 and Regulations</i> . consent to the South Australia Police and the Screening Unit providing <b>the Department</b> with infethat may be laid against me during the period in which I hold accreditation under the Act.					
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In the case of a company or partnership, I am duly authorised by the company or partnership to sign on its behalf. Applicants who provide false information, or fail to declare information, can be prosecuted under Section 55 of the Passenger Transport Act 1994 and may be referred to the Passenger Transport Standards Committee for disciplinary action."					
Declared this day of	Year	20			
Signature of Authorised Applicant:					
Applicants that provide false information, or fail to declare information, can be prosecuted under Section 55 of the <i>Passenger Transport Act 1994</i> and may be referred to the Passenger Transport Standards Committee for disciplinary action.  A person must not, in providing information, make a statement that is false or misleading. Penalties apply.					
22. APPROVAL					
Approved for Accreditation by Accreditation and Licensing					
Authorised person:					
Authorised details:  Official Stamp  Date:	/	/			

21. STATUTORY DECLARATION