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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Overview

The Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001 and regulations made under it permit the Road Transport Authority to approve Standards for taximeters pursuant to sub-regulation 158(1) of the Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulations 2002.

The first such Standards approved by the Authority commenced on 1 March 2002.

Details

The specific clause in the Standards requiring all wheelchair accessible taxis to have a taximeter repeater display installed at the rear of the taxi has been removed and replaced with a new clause (Clause 2.3) for the installation of the taximeter. The position specified will ensure that passengers including those being transported in wheelchairs, are given adequate opportunity to view the taximeter display without imposing the high costs associated with the purchase and installation of repeater displays.

A transitional approach has been adopted for this Standard, with compliance required by 1 June 2003.