

Reform Programme Progress

Progress re Reform Programmes Key Objectives				
Ref:	Key objective description:	Progress:	Ministerial Decision (MD) ref:	MD decision date:
a) Consolidation towards a more flexible taxi industry				
i.	Taxi cab classifications and public rank access.	Completed. Regulation & Order 95/2016	MD-T-2016-0079	12/09/2016
ii.	Taxi-cab public rank access. MD to commence the issue and conversion of circa 10 purple plates per month from 01/01/2020. This is to ensure that all taxi cabs meet the accessible standards.	In progress All previous holders of white plates have been offered the conversion to purple plates.	MD-T-2018-0032	06/04/2018
	Introduction of electronic payment devices into all Taxi-Cabs.	Completed	MD-T-2018-0025	28/03/2018
b) Advanced booking arrangements				
i.	New taxi-cab operator Licencing report prepared.	In progress due to be completed by 31/03/2021.	MD-T-2018-0027	03/04/2018
c) Livery and roof signs				
	Livery and roof signs	In progress due to be completed by 31/03/2021.		
d) Requirements for vehicles and associated equipment				
	Changes to Taxi-cab classifications and public rank access to a designated accessible standard.	Completed	MD-T-2016-0079	12/09/2016
e) Tariff (Fares and charges)				
i.	New tariff structure approved to move from 4 to 3 band, set new maximum fares, simplify structure and reduce additional charges.	Completed	MD-T-2017-0055	19/06/2017
ii.	Annual fare increases	Completed	MD-T-2018-0052 MD-T-2019-0038	01/10/2018 19/07/2019
f) Taximeters				
i.	Establish standard fare measuring devices fitted to cabs	In progress, no fixed completion date	MD-T-2018-0019	19/03/2018
g) Drivers				

i.	Introducing a training standards policy regarding the transportation of wheelchair passengers. All new taxi drivers to have completed the appropriate training as part of initial badge application. All exiting badge holders upon issue of their purple plate.	All purple plate holders have completed the training with the remainder of the drivers to complete by 31/03/2021	MD-T-2016-0035	03/05/2016
ii.	Enhanced checks to be carried out re criminal records	<p>Policy established requiring all badge holders to complete a criminal records check (DBS) with a renewal required every 3 years to maintain badge validity.</p> <p>All drivers have completed their current DBS checks.</p>	MD-T-2016-0066	15/07/2016