

8 September 2022

All P2P operators

All Motor Vehicle Dealers/ Importers

All Electronic Service Agents

Dear Sir/Madam

EXTENSION OF STATUTORY LIFESPAN FOR ELECTRIC TAXIS (E-TAXIS) FROM 8 YEARS TO 10 YEARS

As announced by Minister for Transport S. Iswaran at the Committee of Supply debate on 8 March 2022, the statutory lifespan for e-taxis will be extended from 8 years to 10 years.

2. The P2P sector plays an important role in reducing land transport carbon emissions as taxis and private hire cars clock a much higher daily mileage compared to the average private vehicle. As the batteries for e-taxis may need to be replaced at around the 5-year mark, this extension will enable taxi operators to optimise their e-taxi investments and price e-taxi rentals more competitively.

<u>Implementation Date</u>

3. All e-taxis registered on or after 15 September 2022 will be accorded a 10-year statutory lifespan. Taxi operators with existing e-taxi fleet registered before 15 September 2022 have been given the choice to extend the statutory lifespan of their existing e-taxi fleet under a one-off opt-in exercise.

<u>Impact on Certificate Of Entitlement (COE) and Preferential Additional Registration Fee</u> (PARF) at deregistration

- 4. With the extension of statutory lifespan, e-taxis will be required to pay 100% of the Prevailing Quota Premium under Category A COE from 15 September 2022, instead of the current pro-rated 80%.
- 5. E-taxis that are registered from 15 September 2022, or those that have opted in for a 10-year statutory lifespan will enjoy the following PARF rebate, as long as they are deregistered on or before they turn 10 years old and meet the other eligibility criteria¹. Their PARF rebate will be calculated based on the e-taxis' age when they are deregistered.

¹ Must have been a new taxi at the time of registration, and must not have been laid up before.



Age of E-Taxis at Deregistration	PARF Rebate
Not exceeding 5 years	75% of ARF paid
Above 5 years but not exceeding 6 years	70% of ARF paid
Above 6 years but not exceeding 7 years	65% of ARF paid
Above 7 years but not exceeding 8 years	60% of ARF paid
Above 8 years but not exceeding 9 years	55% of ARF paid (New)
Above 9 years but not exceeding 10 years	50% of ARF paid (New)
Above 10 years	Nil (New)

6. Please bring the contents of this circular to the attention of your members and staff accordingly. For enquiries, please contact us via www.lta.gov.sg/feedback. Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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