

**ARTICLE II.**  
**REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL TRANSPORTATION-FOR-HIRE SERVICES.**

**DIVISION 1.**  
**OPERATING AUTHORITY PERMIT.**

**SEC. 47A-2.1.1. OPERATING AUTHORITY PERMIT REQUIRED.**

- (a) A person may not operate a transportation-for-hire service inside the city without operating authority granted under this chapter.
- (b) A person may not transport a passenger for hire inside the city unless the person driving the transportation-for-hire vehicle or another who employs or contracts with the driver has been granted operating authority under this chapter. (Ord. 29596)

**SEC. 47A-2.1.2. APPLICATION FOR OPERATING AUTHORITY PERMIT.**

- (a) To obtain an operating authority permit, a person shall make application in the manner prescribed by the director. The applicant must be the person who will own, control, or operate the proposed transportation-for-hire company.
- (b) An applicant shall file with the director a verified application statement containing the following:
  - (1) the form of business of the applicant and, if the business is a corporation or association, a copy of the documents establishing the business and the name and address of each person with a 20 percent or greater ownership interest in the business;
  - (2) the verified signature of the applicant;
  - (3) the address of the fixed facilities to be used in the operation, if any, and the address of the applicant's corporate headquarters, if different from the address of the fixed facilities;
  - (4) the name of the person designated by the applicant to receive on behalf of the operating authority any future notices sent by the City to the operating authority, and that person's contact information, including a mailing address, telephone number, and email or other electronic address;
  - (5) a method for the director to immediately verify whether a driver or vehicle are currently operating under that operating authority or were operating under that operating authority within the past 90 days;
  - (6) documentary evidence from an insurance company listed as an authorized auto liability lines carrier on the Texas Department of Insurance's List of Authorized Insurance Companies or a surplus lines insurer listed on the Texas Department of Insurance's list of Eligible Surplus Lines Insurance Companies, indicating that such insurance company has bound itself to provide the applicant with the liability insurance required by this chapter;

(7) documentary evidence of payment of ad valorem taxes on the local property, if any, to be used in connection with the operation of the proposed transportation-for-hire company; and

(8) a copy of the company's zero-tolerance policy for intoxicating substances. (Ord. Nos. 29596; [29706](#); [30180](#); [31689](#))

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.3. CHANGES TO INFORMATION IN OPERATING AUTHORITY APPLICATION.**

Any changes to the information provided in the operating authority permit application must be reported to the director, in the manner prescribed by the director, within 10 days of the change. (Ord. 29596)

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.4. EXPIRATION OF OPERATING AUTHORITY PERMIT.**

An operating authority permit expires one year from the date it is issued. (Ord. 29596)

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.5. SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF OPERATING AUTHORITY.**

(a) Suspension. The following regulations apply to the suspension of a temporary or annual operating authority permit:

(1) The director may suspend an operating authority permit if the director determines that the operating authority permit holder failed to comply with a correction order issued to the holder by the director within the time specified in the order.

(2) Suspension of an operating authority permit does not affect the expiration date of the permit.

(b) Revocation. The following regulations apply to the revocation of a temporary or annual operating authority permit:

(1) The director shall revoke operating authority if the director determines that the operating authority permit holder has:

(A) made a false statement as to a material matter in the application concerning the operating authority; or

(B) failed to maintain the insurance required by this chapter.

(2) After revocation of an operating authority permit, an operating authority permit holder is not eligible for another permit for a period of up to two years, depending on the severity of the violation resulting in the revocation. (Ord. 29596)

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.6. ZERO-TOLERANCE DRUG POLICY.**

(a) An operating authority shall employ, maintain, and enforce as to its drivers a zero-tolerance policy prohibiting the use of intoxicating substances.

(b) An operating authority shall include on its publicly remotely accessible data site notice of the operating authority's zero-tolerance policy for intoxicating substances and information on how passengers may report a possible violation of the policy to the operating authority and to the City. (Ord. 29596)

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.7. PUBLICLY REMOTELY ACCESSIBLE DATA SITE.**

Each operating authority shall maintain a publicly remotely accessible data site that contains, at a minimum:

- (1) the operating authority's rate information;
- (2) the operating authority's zero-tolerance policy for intoxicating substances;
- (3) the operating authority's contact information;
- (4) a statement that wheelchair accessible vehicles are available upon request; and
- (5) information on how to report complaints to the city. (Ord. 29596)

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.8. TRANSPORTATION-FOR-HIRE SERVICE AT DALLAS LOVE FIELD AIRPORT AND DALLAS-FORT WORTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.**

(a) In general. In addition to complying with this chapter, an operating authority providing transportation-for-hire services at Dallas Love Field Airport or Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport shall comply with all of the rules and regulations of those airports.

(b) Dallas Love Field Airport. An operating authority that tracks vehicle location for transportation services shall, upon request of the director, provide the director with the information necessary to independently verify trip fees, as that trip fee is set in Chapter five of this code, as amended, owed by that operating authority on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis. (Ord. Nos. 29596; [30180](#); [31689](#))

#### **SEC. 47A-2.1.9. NONTRANSFERABILITY.**

An operating authority permit is not transferable. This regulation should not be construed to impede the continuing use of trade names. (Ord. 29596)