

Vehicle Identifier Requirements for Authorized SA Licensees

Some Special Authorization (SA) licensees are authorized by the Registrar of Passenger Transportation to issue their own vehicle identifiers (hereafter “authorized SA licensees”).

This document sets out the minimum requirements that authorized SA licensees must follow when issuing their own identifiers. A list of the authorized SA licensees is posted on the web page [Vehicle Identifiers for Commercial Passenger Vehicles in B.C.](#) and any motor vehicle operating under an authorized SA licensee is required to have a vehicle identifier displayed in the form and manner prescribed by the Registrar.

Authorized SA Licensee Vehicle Identifier Requirements

Authorized SA licensees must display a taxi identification code (TIC) as a vehicle identifier. The TIC must be in the form of a sticker placed on the inside and outside of vehicles.

Authorized SA licensees must ensure that each vehicle operating in its fleet has an alphanumeric TIC that consists of the following and in the following sequence:

- i. The TIC for each licensee begins with the taxi company code (read [Authorized SA Licensee Identifiers](#) to learn your taxi company code)
- ii. The unit or vehicle number, up to a maximum of three numbers assigned to the vehicle by the licensee, follows the taxi company code
- iii. An “S” if the vehicle is a peak period taxi¹ operating under a licence, or a “T” if the vehicle is a peak period taxi operating under a temporary operating permit
- iv. An “A” for one of the paired vehicles operating as a Single-Shift Paired Vehicle² and a “B” for the other paired vehicle

There must be at least 2 centimetres between any letter and any number (see page 5 for an example).

¹ Specified peak dates and times taxis can operate identified in licensee’s terms and conditions (e.g. each Friday and Saturday, Oct 31st, Dec 31st)

² Requirements specified in licensee’s terms and conditions (e.g. no two vehicles operated as a pair of Single-Shift Paired Vehicles may provide a trip at the same time)

TIC Display Requirements

The TIC must be placed both inside and outside the vehicle (see page 3 for an example) and must be displayed at all times the vehicle is operating.

Display Inside the Vehicle

The TIC in the inside of the vehicle must be in plain view of the passengers and unobstructed by other decals, equipment, or other paraphernalia and must:

- i. Be printed in san serif font letters that is at least 5 centimetres tall, with a width or stroke of at least 0.5 centimeters; and
- ii. Be placed 5 centimetres from the top and 5 centimetres from the right side of the window on the driver side of the vehicle in the passenger compartment.
- iii. Be placed 5 centimetres from the top and 5 centimetres from the right side of the back window on the driver side of the vehicle in the back passenger compartment in an accessible or non-accessible van.

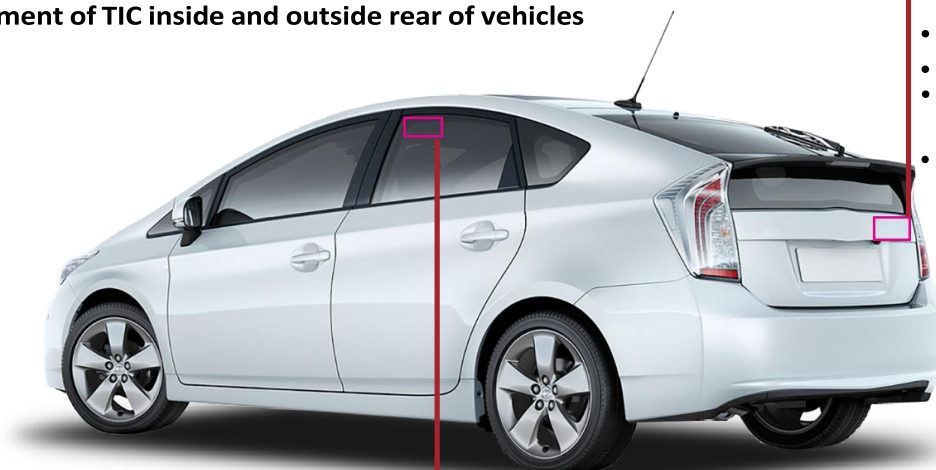
Display Outside the Vehicle

The TIC on the outside of the vehicle must:

- i. Be at least 9 centimetres tall, with a width or stroke of at least 1 centimetre wide;
- ii. Be in a colour that in high contrast to the colour of the outside of the vehicle;
- iii. Be placed on the right and left front fender of vehicles and (a) rear trunk (passenger side) of the vehicle or (b) rear door, bottom right (passenger side) of vans; and
- iv. Be placed flush on the vehicle and must not curve over any lip or indentation on the vehicle.

Placement of Taxi Identification Code (TIC) for Authorized SA Licensees

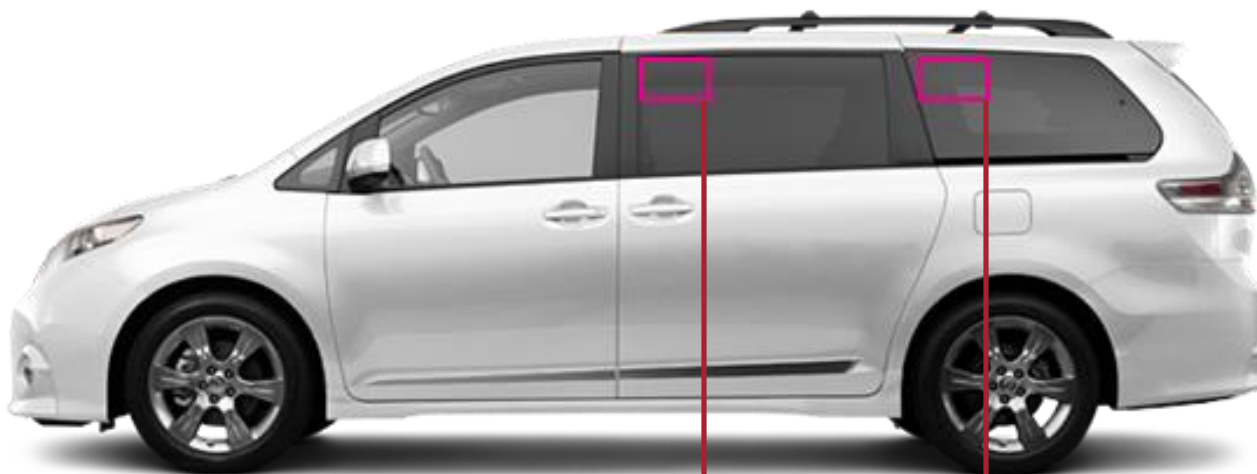
Placement of TIC inside and outside rear of vehicles



- Passenger side of trunk
- TIC at least 9 cm high;
- Width or stroke at least 1 cm wide;
- At least 2 cm between letters and numbers (e.g. E 44 S)
- San serif font

- 5 cm from top of window inside the taxi
- 5 cm from right side of window (i.e. closest to driver)
- TIC at least 5 cm tall; width or stroke at least 0.5 cm wide
- San serif font
- In plain view of passenger inside the taxi

Placement of TIC on inside windows of vans



- 5 cm from top of window inside the taxi
- 5 cm from right side of window (i.e. closest to driver)
- TIC at least 5 cm tall; width or stroke at least 0.5 cm wide
- San serif font
- In plain view of passenger inside the taxi

Placement of TIC on outside front of vehicles



- Right and left front fender
- TIC at least 9 cm high; width or stroke at least 1 cm wide;
- At least 2 cm between letters and numbers (e.g. E 44 S)
- San serif font



Placement of TIC on outside rear of vans



- Passenger side of rear door
- TIC at least 9 cm high
- Width or stroke at least 1 cm
- At least 2 cm between letters numbers (e.g. E 44 S)
- San serif font

This example is for a non-existent taxi company, Evergreen Taxi Ltd. This company has 105 vehicles, including peak-period taxis

Company Code Letter is “E”

The TIC for unit 10 is “E 10”

The TIC for unit 100, a peak-period taxi, is “E 100 S”

The height and stroke for the outside letter is approximate

