

CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS  
APPLICATION FOR LICENSE  
TAXICAB OR BUS

I HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE AS PROVIDED BY CODE OF THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Full Name of Owner) (Address of Owner) (Phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Trade Name or Business Name) (Address of Business) (Phone)

COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE(S):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Motive Power) (Year, Make & Model) (Motor & Chassis Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Vehicle I.D. Number) (Tag Number)

Vehicle Fare Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time vehicle has been in use: \_\_\_\_\_  
Color and distinctive design of the body: \_\_\_\_\_

If owner is corporation, list names and addresses of all officers and directors:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If owner is partnership, list names and addresses of all partners:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE Name of Company \_\_\_\_\_  
Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Agent \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE SHALL BE FILED WITH CITY CLERK**

The application shall be signed by: Owner, if business is individual ownership; A partner, if business is partnership; or Managing Officer, if business is a corporation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Owner, Partner, or Managing Officer)

_____ Police Department Approval	_____ License Number
_____ Code Enforcement Approval	_____ Date of Issue

**Driver Identification**

Driver Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Description \_\_\_\_\_  
Kansas D.L. Number \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Driver Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Description \_\_\_\_\_  
Kansas D.L. Number \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Driver Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Description \_\_\_\_\_  
Kansas D.L. Number \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

ARTICLE X. - VEHICLES FOR HIRE

FOOTNOTE(S):

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**State Law reference**— Bus defined, K.S.A. 8-1406. ([Back](#))

Sec. 18-309. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Bus* means and includes any motor vehicle designed for carrying more than ten passengers and used for the transportation of persons; and every motor vehicle, other than a taxicab, designed and used for the transportation of persons for hire over a route approved by the board of city commissioners and operating on a regular schedule.

*Taxicab* means and includes any and all motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire for which public patronage is solicited.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-501; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.010)

**State law reference**— Definition of bus, K.S.A. 8-1406.

Sec. 18-310. - License required.

It is unlawful for any person, whether acting as owner, principal, agent, employee, lessee, driver or licensee, to operate or permit to be operated upon the streets of the city any taxicab or bus without first having procured a license as provided in this article.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-502; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.020)

Sec. 18-311. - Application.

Any person desiring to operate and/or drive a taxicab or bus for the carrying of passengers for hire within the city shall file the city application with the city clerk for such license, and include the license fee established by the board of city commissioners.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-503; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.030; Ord. No. 3785, § 1, 1998)

Sec. 18-312. - Insurance required.

- (a) Before any license for a taxicab or bus shall be issued under the provisions of this article, the owner thereof shall file with the city clerk a sworn statement that he is carrying motor vehicle liability insurance on such vehicles, giving the number of the policy, the name and address of the company issuing such policy, and the amount of coverage. Such coverage shall contain stated limits of liability, exclusive of interests and costs with respect to each vehicle for which coverage is granted, not less than \$25,000.00 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, and subject to the limit for one person to a limit of not less than \$50,000.00 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and to a limit of not less than \$10,000.00 because of harm to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.
- (b) Such policy shall be effective whether the taxicab at the time of accident was being driven by the owner, his agent, employee, lessee or licensee, and shall contain all conditions required by the laws of the state, and by the insurance commissioner of the state, and shall carry a uniform endorsement for actual notice to the city for any changes therein.
- (c) The insurance policy shall further provide that it cannot be canceled until five days' written notice of such cancellation shall have been filed with the city clerk. Upon any such cancellation of insurance policy, the license to use such taxicab or bus on the streets of the city shall be revoked.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-504; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.040; Ord. No. 1555, 1967; Ord. No. 3489, § 1, 1990)

Sec. 18-313. - License issued.

After filing the requisite application and depositing the license fee as required in this article, and the city clerk having been furnished with approval of a "records check" by the chief of police, and approval of zoning classification of principal place of business by the public works department, a license to operate a taxicab or bus shall be issued by the office of the city clerk.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-506; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.060; Ord. No. 3785, § 1, 1998)

Sec. 18-314. - License not transferable.

No license issued under this article shall be transferable. In case a new or different vehicle is substituted for taxicab or bus service in place of the one for which the license has been issued, a new license shall be secured.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-507; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.070)

Sec. 18-315. - Register to be kept.

The city clerk shall keep a register showing the name and address of each person operating a taxicab or bus licensed under this article, with the state license number, description and make of such taxicab or bus.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-508; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.080; Ord. No. 1519, § 1, 1966)

Sec. 18-316. - Taxicab or bus requirements.

All taxicabs or buses shall comply with the following requirements before a license shall be issued:

(1) *Card frames.* Every taxicab and bus shall be equipped with a frame for the proper display of the owner's fare rate card and the city license. The card relating to the fare to be charged shall be so placed that it can be plainly seen by the passenger riding in such taxicab or bus. It shall state clearly the rate of fare to be charged and schedule of rates. If the fare to be charged is upon a mileage basis, it shall so state. If the fare to be charged is based upon carrying passengers within a certain location bounded by streets, it shall so state and shall state the rate to be charged for the carrying of passengers through each district. The type used for the printing of rates of fare shall be of sufficient size so that it can be clearly read at a distance of three feet.

(2) *Advertising matter on outside of cab or bus.* Every taxicab or bus licensed under the provisions of this article shall have plainly painted upon the outside thereof the name of the owner or operator, the license number issued by the city and office telephone number, all of which shall be printed in letters at least two inches in height on each side thereof.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-510; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.100)

Sec. 18-317. - Number of passengers.

No taxicab licensed as provided in this article shall carry more passengers than its rated seating capacity as rated by the manufacturer nor more than is disclosed by the applicant in the license application; provided that only two persons or passengers shall ride in or be carried upon the front seat of any taxicab with the driver while such taxicab is being operated for hire.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-511; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.110)

Sec. 18-318. - Rates.

Every person operating or controlling any taxicab or bus within the city limits may establish its own charges for passengers and/or deliveries, provided current rates for bus or taxicab service must be prominently displayed in the passenger section of the vehicle.

(Prior Code(2), § 5.56.121; Ord. No. 2039, § 1, 1977)

Sec. 18-319. - Receipt upon request.

Upon request, the owner or driver of a taxicab or bus shall give to each person or passenger employing such vehicle a receipt showing the date of such employment, the street number or place from which such passenger started and the point of destination and the amount of fare paid. Where any such vehicle is engaged by the hour, the period of time such vehicle was used shall be shown on the receipt.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-513; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.130)

Sec. 18-320. - May demand fare in advance.

Every driver of a taxicab or bus shall have the right to demand payment of the regular fare in advance and may refuse employment unless so paid; but no driver of a taxicab shall refuse or neglect to convey any person who has paid the required fare anywhere in the city unless previously engaged or unable to do so or when, in the driver's judgment, such transportation is likely to result in damage to such taxicab or bus.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-514; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.140)

Sec. 18-321. - Extra passengers.

No driver of a licensed taxicab shall carry any person other than the passenger by whom he has been engaged without the consent of the passenger.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-515; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.150)

Sec. 18-322. - Overcharge.

No person shall charge or attempt to charge any passenger a greater rate of fare than that which the taxicab or bus is entitled to under the provisions of this article and posted on its rate card.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-516; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.160)

Sec. 18-323. - Cruising.

When not actually being operated in reaching or returning from a specific destination while employed in rendering transportation service, taxicabs or buses shall be at the usual place of business maintained by the owner or operator thereof subject to prompt response to a call.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-517; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.170)

Sec. 18-324. - Soliciting business.

No taxicab or bus owner or driver shall solicit or engage any other person to solicit patronage on the streets, sidewalks or public ways within the city.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-518; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.180)

Sec. 18-325. - Intoxicating liquor.

If any driver of a taxicab or bus is convicted of driving a taxicab or bus while under the influence of alcohol or drugs or for conviction of having an open container of liquor in his possession while operating such taxicab or bus, the registration of the driver of such taxicab or bus shall be immediately revoked and no such driver shall be permitted to register for a period of one year.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-520; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.200)

Sec. 18-326. - Inspection.

Any owner or operator of any taxicab or bus operated over the streets of the city for hire may be inspected by the police chief or his designee at any time to ensure compliance with this article.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-521; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.210; Ord. No. 3489, § 2, 1990)

Sec. 18-327. - Parking taxicabs or buses.

(a) The driver of a bus or taxicab shall not stand or park upon any street in any business district at any place other than at a bus stop or taxicab stand, respectively, except that this provision shall not prevent the driver of any such vehicle, when all of the designated parking places are occupied, from stopping in accordance with other stopping or parking regulations upon any avenue or street not designated as a federal or state highway, or at any place for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers.

(b) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop or other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand when any such stop or stand has been officially designated and appropriately signed, except that the driver of a vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter such zone.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-522; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.220)

Sec. 18-328. - Vehicle for immoral purposes.

No person shall knowingly transport, offer to transport, knowingly aid or assist in transporting any person in or over or through the streets, alleys, boulevards or public highways of the city by means of an automobile or other vehicle used by the public for hire, for the purpose of prostitution, or for any other unlawful, immoral or lewd purpose.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-523; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.230)

Sec. 18-329. - Revocation of license.

The board of city commissioners, upon satisfactory proof that any person operating any motor or self-propelled vehicle for which a license is provided by the provisions of this article, has been guilty of violating any of the provisions of this article, or ordinances of the city, regarding the use of the streets of the city for driving, or for incompetency or misconduct, may in their discretion and in addition to the punishment herein prescribed, suspend for a period of time to be fixed by the board of city commissioners the license issued for the operation of such vehicle, or may, in their discretion absolutely revoke such license, and during such period of time as such license may be suspended, or after such license may have been revoked, it is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, their agents or employees, to operate such vehicle upon the streets of the city for any of the purposes hereinbefore named, without first securing the consent of the board of city commissioners, if such license is suspended, or without first applying for and securing a new license, after the original license shall have been revoked.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-524; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.240)

Sec. 18-330. - Revocation of registration.

No driver or operator of any motor vehicle regulated by this article who has been convicted or pled guilty or no contest three times of violation of this article, or any traffic ordinance of the city shall be permitted or granted registration to operate or drive any taxicab or bus in the city. It is the duty of the city clerk to immediately revoke the license issued under this article to any driver or operator when the clerk has received certified notice from courts of competent jurisdiction that such driver or operator is in

violation of this section. Such driver or operator shall not be eligible for application for license under this article following such revocation for a period of one year.

(Prior Code(1), § 14-525; Prior Code(2), § 5.56.250; Ord. No. 1874, 1974)

Secs. 18-331—18-348. - Reserved.