

## PFHT Committee Meeting 11/23/2020 – Exhibit C

Additional language to further explain the requirements for app-based taxi meters.  
Suggested revision in **BOLD**.

### *Current Definition Language*

DDD. “Taximeter” means a mechanical or electronic (**application and digital**) device that calculates and displays a fare based on an initial fee, distance traveled, waiting time, or any combination thereof.

### *Current Taximeter language suggested revisions – section 16.40.160, D*

D. Every Taxi Vehicle must be equipped with a taximeter in accurate operating condition, with a lighted face that can easily be read at all times by the passenger.

Taximeters shall meet the following requirements:

1. Every **mechanical** taximeter must be inspected by a certified taximeter installer and certified at installation, at change in rate, and within 1 year of the last inspection. A certificate of inspection must be issued by a qualified taximeter repair service upon each inspection. A copy of the certificate of inspection must remain in the taxicab and must include the following:
  - a. The identifying number of the taximeter;
  - b. The make, model, and license number of the Taxi Vehicle in which the taximeter is installed;
  - c. The name of the taxicab company;
  - d. The date of inspection, and;
  - e. A statement that the taximeter has been inspected and approved as operating within the acceptable limits and rates as specified by the Director and on file with the company.
2. Taxi Companies must keep on file copies of all certificates of inspection until the taximeter is recalibrated and the certificate is no longer accurate.
3. Taximeters must operate within the following limits of accuracy: Plus or minus 50 feet in 1 mile and 1 second in 1 minute of waiting time.
4. All taximeters must be approved by the National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP) as evidenced by a Certificate of Conformance issued by an authorized inspector. All taximeters must have an active NTEP Certificate of Conformance number.
5. Certificates of inspection may be examined or a taximeter re-inspected by the Director or law enforcement officers at any time during normal business hours.

**6. Digital taximeter may only be only used taxi to calculate taxi fares when the licensee meets all of the following requirements.**

- a. The meter is programmed with current posted taxi rates;**
- b. The meter has hardware and software provisions that protect the rates from unauthorized changes;**
- c. The meter has the functionality to provide passengers with a printed or electronic receipt at the end of every trip which;**
- d. Is compatible with current and previous major release versions of Android and iOS;**
- e. Accurately calculates fare during loss of GPS signal or degradation; and**
- f. Has a display large enough for both passenger and driver to view.**