

Resolution No. 16-648  
Introduced: July 15, 2008  
Adopted: July 15, 2008

COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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By: County Council

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**Subject: Executive Regulation 25-07AM, Taxicab Motor Vehicle Model Year**

**Background**

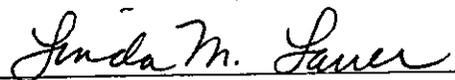
1. Executive Regulation 25-07 would establish a written model year policy for taxicab vehicles as allowed under County Code §53-104.
2. On April 18, 2008, the County Council received Executive Regulation 25-07, Taxicab Motor Vehicle Model Year.
3. Under Method (2), if the Council does not approve or disapprove a regulation within 60 days after the Council receives the regulation, it is automatically approved and takes effect the day after the deadline for approval or a later date specified in the regulation.
4. County Code §2A-15 allows the Council by resolution to extend the deadline for action on a regulation under Method (2). On May 13, 2008, the Council extended the deadline for action on Executive Regulation 25-07 to June 30, 2008.
5. The Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy & Environment Committee reviewed Executive Regulation 25-07 on June 16, 2008. The Committee recommended that Executive Regulation 25-07 be approved with certain amendments.
6. On July 8, 2008, the County Executive resubmitted Executive Regulation 25-07AM with the amendments requested by the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy, and Environment Committee.

**Action**

*The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following resolution:*

Executive Regulation 25-07AM, Taxicab Motor Vehicle Model Year, is approved.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE REGULATION

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<b>Subject</b> Taxicab Motor Vehicle Model Year	<b>Number</b> 25-07AM
<b>Originating Department</b> Department of Public Works and Transportation	<b>Effective Date</b> July 15, 2008

## TAXICAB MOTOR VEHICLE MODEL YEAR

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

Issued by: County Executive

Authority: Code Sections 53-104, 53-228(g) and 53-229(a)

Supersedes: Executive Regulation N/A

Council Review Method (2) under Code Section 2A-15

Comment Date:

Effective Date:

#### SUMMARY:

The regulation establishes the policy for placing motor vehicles in service and removing vehicles from service as taxicabs.

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I. Background Information

Montgomery County Code Section 54-104 requires that unless otherwise specified in this Chapter, the County Executive may adopt regulations under method (2) to administer this Chapter.

Section 53-228(g) states that, "Any vehicle placed in service as a taxicab must not be more than 4 model years old." Section 53-229(a) states that, "A licensee must not use any vehicle that is more than 7 model years old to provide taxicab service in the County. As used in this Chapter, the 'model year' of a vehicle is the year designated by the vehicle manufacturer, as indicated on the vehicle or in the manufacturer's records. A licensee may maintain a vehicle in service until the next December 31 after its seventh model year ends if the vehicle passes a comprehensive safety inspection performed during the preceding August by a state-certified inspector in good standing."

The intent of establishing a limit on the age of motor vehicles providing taxicab service is that these vehicles, especially in the County which is 500 square miles, tend to attain a high level of mileage. During the code revision in 2004, the intent was to increase the time a motor vehicle could be in service from 6 to 7 years with no waiver and no mileage limitation.

II. Purpose

The purpose of the regulation is to establish a written policy to clarify placing taxicab motor vehicles in service and removing vehicles from service as taxicabs and to establish the calendar day and month for the beginning of each model year.

III. Regulations

- a. A model year begins on September 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year.
- b. A new model year motor vehicle is considered to have no age (zero years old in its first model year).
- c. A new model year motor vehicle is considered one year old after August 31<sup>st</sup>.



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### Regulations (contd.)

- d. A motor vehicle may be placed in service when it is up to and including 4 years old.
- e. A vehicle must be taken out of service when it is not safe and reliable regardless of the model year.

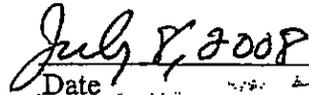
### IV. Model Year Chart

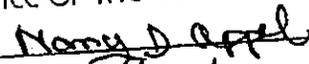
Attached to this regulation as Exhibit A is a "Model Year Chart." The Chart describes the year(s) in which vehicles can be placed in service and the year(s) in which vehicles must be removed from service for Vehicle Model Years 2000 to 2018. The purpose of this chart is to demonstrate the application of this regulation. The inclusion of the Chart is for demonstration purposes and does not suggest that this Regulation has a termination date.

### V. Effective Date

This regulation becomes effective when the Council adopts a resolution approving the regulation or on a later date specified in the regulation. If the Council takes no action of approval or disapproval, the regulation becomes automatically effective 61 days after the Council received it, or on any later deadline set by regulation.

  
Isiah Leggett, County Executive

  
Date July 7, 2008

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY  
BY:   
DATE: 07/18/2008

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