



NOTICE TO BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED IN VEHICLE

CITY OF ABERDEEN LICENSING OF TAXIS AND PRIVATE HIRE CARS  
**MAXIMUM CHARGES APPLICABLE TO HIRE OF TAXIS (AND PRIVATE HIRE CARS FITTED WITH TAXI METERS)**  
– WITH EFFECT FROM 31 JANUARY 2025

**Tariff 1 08:00 to 22:00 Monday to Friday**

(A) For the FIRST 820 yards	<b>£3.00</b>
(B) For every additional 139 yards	<b>£0.20</b>

**Tariff 2 22:00 to 08:00 Monday to Friday AND All Day Saturday & Sunday (Except 02:00 to 05:00)**

(A) For the FIRST 820 yards	<b>£5.00</b>
(B) For every additional 139 yards	<b>£0.20</b>

**Tariff 3 02:00 to 05:00 Saturday & Sunday**

(A) For the FIRST 820 yards	<b>£6.00</b>
(B) For every additional 139 yards	<b>£0.20</b>

**Tariff 4 Christmas Tariff (20:00 on 24 December and 05:00 on 27 December and between 20:00 on 31 December and 05:00 on 3 January)**

(A) For the FIRST 820 yards	<b>£6.00</b>
(B) For every additional 139 yards	<b>£0.30</b>

For each hiring on the Spring, May Day, Midsummer and Autumn holidays as follows:-

**Tariff 2 Applies**

Spring - Monday following third Sunday in April (if such Monday falls within the week in which Good Friday falls, then the following Monday) Mayday - first Monday in May; Midsummer-second Monday in July; Autumn - fourth Monday in September

**Where 5 or more passengers carried add 50% to final fare (calculated per appropriate tariff above)**

**Extras**

**(A) Waiting**

A sum calculated at the rate of £0.45 per minute (Except where Tariff 4 applies calculate at £0.55 per minute).

**(B) Surcharges**

(1) For each hiring pre-booked.	<b>£1.00</b>
(2) For each hiring commencing at Aberdeen Railway Station (Railway taxis Only)	<b>£1.00</b>

(3) Airport Fees – Any current charge levied by Aberdeen International Airport in relation to dropping off or picking up passengers (Including Airport Taxis). (Passengers must be made aware that additional charges may be incurred in advance)

(4) A charge of £60 per incident of fouling a taxi.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES.

1. The Council is required to set a maximum amount that can be charged for journeys in Taxis and Private Hire Cars fitted with Taximeters which it licences. Fares are reviewed at regular intervals to take into account of the operational costs of the vehicle and the driver's time, to allow the operator to make a reasonable return and to encourage the operation of taxis. Comparisons are made with taxi fares in other areas of the UK. There is opportunity for the public and trade to participate in the setting on the levels of fares proposed and taxi operators have the right to appeal against the Tariff set down by the Council before it comes into operation.
2. Please note that a taxi driver is not required to take you on a **journey ending outside the city boundary. Typical Destinations in the City** – Aberdeen Airport, Bridge of Don, Cove, Dyce, Kingswells and Peterculter. **Outwith the City** – Banchory, Blackburn, Ellon, Kemnay, Kintore, Inverurie, Oldmeldrum, Portlethen, Stonehaven and Westhill. If the driver does agree to take you outwith the city, these maximum fares do not apply and it is up to you to reach agreement with the driver as to the fare. You should do this before you start.
3. If you have booked a taxi to arrive at a particular time and keep it waiting, the driver can start the meter running once he has made his presence known to you and you can be charged at the maximum Waiting Time Rate shown on the Tariff.
4. The taximeter contains an electronic clock and calendar and calculates the correct fare based on the date, time of day and distance travelled. If the vehicle's speed falls below a predetermined speed, the taximeter will automatically switch over from calculating the fare based on the distance travelled to a calculation based on the time spent in the vehicle. You will be able to see the fare mounting up on the taxi meter as the vehicle goes along.
5. The driver is required to take you to your destination by the shortest practicable route.
6. The maximum fare you are required to pay is the sum calculated in accordance with the Tariff overleaf.
7. Please note that - (1) The fare payable may differ for the same journey on different days if the taxi has been held up in traffic and (2) a very short journey may be relatively expensive, due to the way the meter works. The fare will also vary depending on whether the trip was during the evening, early Saturday or Sunday morning or during certain public holidays.
8. If you are asked to pay VAT on the fare, please ask for a proper VAT receipt.
9. It is up to you to decide whether you wish to give the driver a **Tip**.
10. It is a criminal offence for you to take a taxi journey without having the money to pay for it.

**Website:** For explanatory notes about the tariff & other taxi/private hire car information see [aberdeencity.gov.uk](http://aberdeencity.gov.uk).

**Complaints:** Any complaints should be made to the Licensing Department by email to [civiccompliance@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:civiccompliance@aberdeencity.gov.uk) . Complaints can also be made to any police station or on the non-emergency police number 101. The licence number of the vehicle or its driver and the name of the company should be quoted.