



BACP PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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ALERT: UPDATED LIVERY VEHICLE LICENSE LAWS EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Recent **amendments** to the Municipal Code of Chicago impact City of Chicago Livery Vehicle Licenses.

Effective February 1, 2026:

1. Livery vehicle license non-refundable fee is **\$1,200.00 for a two-year license term**.
2. Livery vehicle licenses will transition to a **two-year license term** (aligning with taxi medallion and public chauffeur licenses).
 - ODD-numbered license numbers expire in ODD-numbered years.
 - EVEN-numbered license numbers expire in EVEN-numbered years.
3. Note that the updated Livery Vehicle License expiration date is **December 15th**. The two-year license term will start December 16 and end December 15 in the year corresponding with the EVEN or ODD-numbered livery vehicle license number.
 - This new expiration date does not change existing livery vehicle licenses with issued license hard cards with printed the "12/31/2026" expiration date.
 - Late livery license renewals will result in a \$150 late fee and/or loss of the license.
4. ALERT for **NEW LIVERY VEHICLE LICENSE APPLICANTS!** BACP's database automatically assigns livery vehicle license numbers. An applicant cannot request an odd or even-numbered license. **Applicants must accept the auto-generated designated livery license number and pay the corresponding license fee to obtain the license.**

During the 2026 transition year to the **two-year livery vehicle license term**:



EVEN-numbered livery vehicle license fee will be \$600.00 and expire on December 15, 2026 (an EVEN-numbered year)



ODD-numbered livery vehicle license fee will be \$1,200.00 and expire on December 15, 2027 (an ODD-numbered year)

5. Starting **July 1, 2026**, the Department of Finance will apply a flat **\$98 monthly Ground Transportation Tax (GTT)** to all livery vehicles, regardless of trip activity. A monthly GTT waiver can only be requested if the license hard card is returned and evidence of the IL SOS license plate surrender for a full calendar month is provided to BACP using the specified form. Send GTT questions to RevenueDatabase@cityofchicago.org.

The City of Chicago's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) ensures Chicago's public passenger vehicles are safe, reliable and provide residents and visitors positive transportation options. BACP is committed to providing accessibility for all individuals, including people with disabilities.

Online Services:

- Schedule an appointment for service at the BACP Public Vehicle Licensing Facility at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles
- Facility information, public vehicle and public chauffeur licensing forms and information are at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles
- Email questions or requests for online licensing services to BACPPV@cityofchicago.org
- Pay public vehicle license fees online at ChiPay.Chicago.gov
- Resolve an Administrative Notice of Violation (citation) by emailing BACP-AdministrativeHearings@CityofChicago.org
- Rules governing City of Chicago public vehicles and public chauffeurs are available at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles