

Authorised Inspection Scheme Notice 34

Effective 1 November 2017

Revocation of the Authorised Taxi Inspection Station scheme (ATIS)

Purpose

To advise Authorised Inspection Scheme (AIS) proprietors, nominees, alternative nominees and examiners of revocation of the Authorised Taxi Inspection Station scheme (ATIS).

Background

The ATIS scheme will cease from midnight on 31 October 2017.

From 1 November 2017, taxis will no longer be required to be inspected more than once a year and no longer need a 'Taxi – Inspection Report'. This is the result of the Point to Point Transport Taskforce Report recommendations the Government accepted as part of the broader reforms to the industry.

While annual safety check inspections will still be regulated, the taxi-specific requirements will no longer be regulated. Instead, new safety standards will require annual inspections for all point to point transport vehicles – including rideshare – regardless of vehicle age.

Changes

The new safety standards include:

All point to point transport vehicles require annual safety checks – even if the vehicle is less than five years old:

• Taxis, as defined under the *Passenger Transport Act 2014* and Point to Point Transport (Taxis and Hire Vehicles) Regulation 2017, no longer require two inspections per year and instead must be inspected annually under the Authorised Safety Check Inspection Scheme (ASCIS) (light vehicles) regardless of inspection type and seating capacity

In addition to annual registration inspections, it is important to note all point to point transport vehicles must be roadworthy at all times.

The Point to Point Transport Commissioner is working closely with the taxi industry to ensure they understand the new inspection requirements.

The Point to Point Transport Commissioner fact sheet *Safety Standards for Taxis* has more information about the new safety standards. The fact sheet is available at <u>www.pointtopoint.nsw.gov.au/fact-sheets</u>.

There is no change to the requirement for motor vehicle repairers to be authorised under the AIS.

What you need to do

From 1 November 2017, if a customer requests a 'Taxi – Inspection Report', you may wish to direct them to the Point to Point Transport Commissioner website for information about the new standards (www.pointtopoint.nsw.gov.au).

What to do with Taxi Inspection Report Books and labels

These items are no longer required under the new regulatory framework so you are welcome to store them for your records or securely dispose of them.

Further information

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