## SMALL PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLE (EMERGENCY MEASURE COVID-19) (Fees) REGULATIONS 2020

The National Transport Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 7 of the Taxi Regulation Acts 2013 and 2016 (No. 37 of 2013 as amended), hereby makes the following Regulations to make exceptional provision, having regard to the Covid-19 pandemic, and in order to mitigate the adverse economic consequences likely to result from the spread of that disease and to mitigate its impact on essential public transport services:

- These Regulations may be cited as the Small Public Service Vehicle (Emergency Measure Covid-19) (Fees) Regulations 2020.
- 2. In these Regulations, "Covid-19" means a disease caused by infection with the virus SARS-CoV-2 and specified as an infectious disease in accordance with Regulation 6 of, and the Schedule to, the Infectious Diseases Regulations 1981 (S.I. No. 390 of 1981) or any variant of the disease so specified as an infectious disease in those Regulations.
- 3. The Taxi Regulation (Small Public Service Vehicle) Regulations 2015 are amended
  - a) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 2 (a) "€0" for €150";
  - b) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 2 (b) "€0" for €75";
  - c) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 2 (c) "€0 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence" for "€500 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence provided that—
    - (i) where the licence is replaced not more than 10 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €250 to the applicant, and
    - (ii) where the licence is replaced more than 10 days but not more than 30 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €150 to the applicant,"
  - d) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 2 (c) "€150 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence" for "€500 in

respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence provided that—

- (i) where the licence is replaced not more than 10 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €250 to the applicant, and
- (ii) where the licence is replaced more than 10 days but not more than 30 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €150 to the applicant,"
- e) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 3 (a) "€0" for €75";
- f) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 3 (b) "€0" for €37.50";
- g) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 3 (c) "€0 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence." for "€250 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence provided that —where the licence is replaced not more than 10 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €100 to the applicant."
- h) by substituting at Schedule 1, part 3 (c) "€75 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence." for "€250 in respect of replacement licences granted after the expiry date of the prior licence provided that —where the licence is replaced not more than 10 days after the date of expiry of the licence, the Authority shall refund €100 to the applicant."
- 4. Amendments 3a, 3b, 3e and 3f above shall come into operation on the 1st day of January 2021 and will continue in operation until the 31st day of December 2021 inclusive.
- Amendments 3c and 3g above shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 28th day of March 2020 and will continue in operation until the 12th day of June 2021 inclusive.
- 6. Amendments 3d and 3h above shall come into operation on the 13th day of June 2021 and will continue in operation until the 31st day of December 2021 inclusive.