Department of For-Hire Vehicles (press release)

Union Station Fast Pass Program

The Department of For-Hire Vehicles (DFHV) is pleased to announce the launch of the Union Station Fast Pass pilot program. Each month a selected group of taxi drivers that operate wheelchair accessible vehicles (WAVs) will be issued a Fast Pass which will allow them special entry to the front of the taxi line at the Union Station. This program is scheduled to run through May, 2020.

The Union Station Fast Pass is part of the DFHV efforts to make WAVs more accessible. Currently, 280 WAVs are available and provide an average of 36,000 rides per month. This program also seeks to provide additional income opportunities for taxi drivers.

To receive the Union Station Fast Pass, a driver must be a top performer in the Transport DC Program, providing substantial trips to wheelchair users. Other evaluation factors include rides completed on the weekends, rides completed at night time, and rides completed East of the River. Eligibility criteria is posted below.

For more questions concerning this program, please send email to: Charles.Davis3@dc.gov

Union Station Fast Pass Eligibility Criteria

Attachment:

Union Station Fast Pass Qualification – As of November 27, 2019

* Union Station Fast Pass eligibility will be calculated using data from the Transport DC program from two months prior (eg, For December Fast Passes, October’s data will be added).
* Fast Passes will be issued on a points system, based on trips given to wheelchair users in the Transport DC program. Drivers who earn at least fifty (50) points will be issued a Union Station Fast Pass.
* Drivers will earn one point for each trip they give to a wheelchair user in Transport DC.
* In addition, drivers can earn: o One additional point for a trip to a wheelchair user in Transport DC that starts or ends East of the River (Zip codes 20019, 20020 and 20032). o One additional point for a trip to a wheelchair user in Transport DC that occurs on a Saturday or Sunday. o One additional point for a trip to a wheelchair user in Transport DC that occurs overnight (10:00 pm to 5:00 am)
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