

Vehicles



Category	Impact	Where the change will be made
Luxury hire car and restricted hire vehicle	Following feedback from the luxury hire car industry, prescriptive vehicle requirements will be retained.	No change required
Wheelchair accessible taxis (WATs)	No longer required to be new when initially authorised to perform a public passenger vehicle service (up to seven years old when newly entering the market), and a maximum age for all WATs of 12 years. WATs will continue to be required to meet the standards in the <i>Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002</i> .	Bill – refer pages 71 and 110
Rank and hail vehicles (i.e. taxis)	Continue to require additional equipment, such as a top light, taximeter and security camera (in currently prescribed areas).	No change required
All on-demand passenger transport vehicles	All vehicles to have a 5-star ANCAP safety rating and up to seven years old when newly entering the market, and a maximum age limit of 12 years. ANCAP rating will not be required for wheelchair accessible taxis and vehicles authorised as a general restricted hire vehicle. Maximum age limit requirement for luxury hire car vehicles will be grandfathered in for existing vehicles.	Regulations
	All vehicles will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be subject to annual inspections by independent approved inspection stations; • be subject to six-monthly, independently approved inspections when they are older than 10 years; • undergo a vehicle safety inspection by a qualified person every six months or 10 000 kilometres, whichever occurs first; and • undergo a pre-departure inspection each day before the vehicle is used for a passenger transport service. 	Regulations