

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
APPOINTED STANDS,
STREET SERVICE VEHICLES (TAXI),
BYE-LAWS 2015**

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Long title		The Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council (hereafter referred to as “the City Council”, in exercise of the powers vested in them by Section 25 of the Taxi Regulation Act 2013, and having consulted with the Commissioner of An Garda Síochána and the National Transport Authority, hereby make the following Bye-Laws in respect of the area comprising the city of Dublin.
Short title	1.	These Bye-Laws may be cited as the Dublin City Council Appointed Stands, Street Service Vehicles (Taxi), Bye-Laws 2015.
Area of application	2.	These Bye-Laws apply to the area comprising the city of Dublin.
Revocations	3.	The Dublin City Council Appointed Stands (Street Service Vehicles) Bye-Laws 2011 are revoked as and from the date of coming into effect of these Bye-Laws.
Commencement date	4.	These Bye-Laws shall come into effect on the 1 st of November 2015.
Interpretation	5.	<p>In these Bye-Laws:</p> <p>“boundary” a line which marks the limits of an area; a dividing line</p> <p>“building line” the boundary line along a street beyond which buildings must not project</p> <p>“head of an appointed stand” shall be construed as a reference to that end of the appointed stand from which the limits of the appointed stand are reckoned in column (3) of the appropriate Schedule to these Bye-Laws;</p> <p>“Indented bay” An indented bay is a bay located immediately adjacent to a through traffic lane, but protected from through traffic by virtue of the kerb alignment adjacent to the bay being set back from the through traffic lane.</p> <p>“lay-by” means a place at the side of a road where a vehicle can stop for a short time without interrupting other traffic;</p> <p>“order of street service vehicles at an appointed stand” shall be construed as a reference to the order of the vehicles reckoned from the head of the appointed stand to the rear of the appointed stand.</p> <p>“public road” (as defined by Section 2 of the Roads Act 1993) means a road over which a public right of way exists and the responsibility for the maintenance of which lies on a road authority;</p>

“rear of an appointed stand” shall be construed as a reference to that end of the appointed stand to which the limits of the appointed stand are reckoned in column (3) of the appropriate Schedule to these Bye-Laws;

“roadway” means that portion of a road which is provided primarily for the use of vehicles;

“Schedule” means a Schedule to these Bye-Laws;

“small public service vehicle” means a public service vehicle which is not a large public service vehicle;

“street” means a public road (within the meaning of Section 2 of the Roads Act 1993);

“street service vehicle” means a small public service vehicle the driver of which offers on a public road himself and the vehicle for hire and for that purpose stands or drives the vehicle on a public road;

“taxi” (as defined by Section 2 of the Taxi Regulation Act 2013) means a street service vehicle (within the meaning of section 3 of the Act of 1961);

**Appointment of
appointed
stands**

6. Subject to these Bye-Laws, in each location in column (2) of Schedule 1 to these Bye-Laws, each part of the street described in column (3) of the Schedule opposite the mention in column (2) of the location shall be an appointed stand available for use without limitation as to time or occasion of use.

Subject to these Bye-Laws, in each location in column (2) of Schedule 2 to these Bye-Laws, each part of the street described in column (3) of the Schedule shall be an appointed stand available for use at the times specified in column (6) of that Schedule opposite the mention in column (2) of the street.

Subject to these Bye-Laws, in each location in column (2) of Schedule 3 to these Bye-Laws, each part of the street described in column (3) of the Schedule shall be an appointed stand available for use on the occasions only and at the time specified in column (6) of that Schedule opposite the mention in column (2) of the street.

**Main and
subsidiary
appointed
stands**

7. Each of the appointed stands mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 4 to these Bye-Laws shall be known as a main appointed stand.
Each of the appointed stands mentioned in column (3) of Schedule 4 shall be known as a subsidiary appointed stand

Position of vehicles on appointed stands

8. Every street service vehicle standing for hire at an appointed stand shall be placed
- (a) within the limits of the appointed stand described in column (3) of Schedule 1, 2 or 3, as appropriate
 - (b) in the position specified in column (5) of Schedule 1, 2 or 3, as appropriate, opposite the mention of the appointed stand in column (3) of the Schedule concerned, and
 - (c) in case there is no taxi already at the appointed stand, at the head of the appointed stand or, in any other case, next in order and as near as practicable to a taxi at the appointed stand.

Where column (5) of the appropriate schedule requires a taxi standing for hire at an appointed stand to be placed in a single line by the kerb and parallel to the kerb, or with the rear of the taxi to the kerb, a taxi shall not be placed more than 45 centimeters from the kerb

Maximum number of street service vehicles at an appointed stand

9. The number of street service vehicles standing for hire at an appointed stand specified in column (3) of Schedule 1, 2 or 3 at any reference shall not exceed the number specified in column (4) of the Schedule concerned at that reference number.

Vacancies at appointed stands

10. Whenever a street service vehicle vacates its position at an appointed stand it shall be replaced by the street service vehicle (if any) next in order at the stand.

Whenever a street service vehicle vacates its position at a main appointed stand, it shall be replaced by the street service vehicle (if any) at the head of the subsidiary appointed stand first referred to in column (3) of Schedule 4 opposite the mention in column (2) of that Schedule.

Where one or more subsidiary stands are referred to in column (3) of Schedule 4, the vacancy which is referred to above shall be replaced by the street service vehicle (if any) at the head of the first subsidiary appointed stand so referred to in the Schedule.

Whenever a street service vehicle vacates its position at a subsidiary appointed stand, it shall be replaced by the street service vehicle (if any) at the head of the next subsidiary appointed stand referred to in column (3) of Schedule 4 opposite the mention in column (2) of that Schedule

General provisions relating to appointed stands

11. The following provisions shall apply to street service vehicles standing for hire at an appointed stand

Neither the driver of a street vehicle nor any other person shall wash, overhaul or execute repairs to such a street service vehicle, except such repairs as may be necessary to enable the vehicle to be removed from the appointed stand

Neither the driver of a street service vehicle nor any other person shall make any unnecessary noise by means of or in relation to the vehicle or the engine or any equipment, fittings or instruments fitted to or carried on the vehicle or any loud speaker in or in any way connected with the vehicle;

The driver of a street service vehicle shall comply with any directions given to him or her by a member of the Garda Síochána in relation to placing of the street service vehicle at the appointed stand or the bringing of the street service vehicle into, or the removal of the street service vehicle from, the appointed stand.

General restrictions on street service vehicles standing for hire

12. A driver of a street service vehicle shall not stand the street service vehicle for hire otherwise than at an appointed stand and in accordance with these Bye-Laws

Alternative appointed stands

13. An existing appointed stand may be temporarily suspended and/or a new appointed stand may be temporarily designated by Executive Order to facilitate construction / development / maintenance of a roadway or footpath or for any other traffic management purpose and an alternative location may be designated as an alternative temporary stand.

Prohibition on hackneys or limousines plying for hire or standing for hire

14. Under Section 14 of S.I. No. 710 of 2007, Taxi Regulation Act 2003 (Small Public Service Vehicles) (Amendment and Licensing) Regulations 2007; The driver of a hackney or limousine shall not ply for hire or stand for hire.