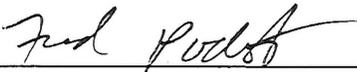




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## City of Seattle Rules for For-Hire Drivers

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### **Rule FHDR-10, Commencement Dates (SMC 6.310.735.G)**

This Rule describes the process for establishing any new commencement date to occur after the initial commencement date of January 17, 2017, as specified in the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC).

#### **New Commencement Dates**

Unless requested in writing by an organization previously designated as a Qualified Driver Representative (QDR) or an organization seeking designation as a QDR, the Director will not independently establish a new commencement date. The QDR or organization seeking designation as a QDR must identify the Driver Coordinator(s) for which the commencement date is requested.

If a QDR or prospective QDR requests a commencement date for a Driver Coordinator for which no Exclusive Driver Representative (EDR) is certified, the Director will promulgate a commencement date that is no later than 90 calendar days after the Director received the written request, provided that the new date promulgated will not subject a Driver Coordinator to the EDR certification process more than once in any 12-month period. The commencement date will therefore be at least 12 months after the most recent date that a Driver Coordinator transmitted a list of its qualifying drivers to any QDR or at least 12 months after the date the list was due if a Driver Coordinator willfully delayed transmittal of the list in violation of the SMC. For any specified commencement date, however, more than one QDR may attempt to organize the drivers of the same Driver Coordinator.

Depending on the number of Driver Coordinators undergoing driver representation efforts, multiple commencement dates could be established. However, to the extent possible, the Director will attempt to minimize the number of new commencement dates and/or best synchronize new commencement dates with previously established ones to minimize and/or avoid complications with implementation.