

DRAFT RAMP TAXI MEDALLION REFORM PROPOSALS
TAXI TOWN HALL MEETING, JUNE 11, 2013
Summary of **Proposed** Ramp Taxi Program Benefits

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FOR DRIVERS:

1. On-going individual ramp taxi driver incentives determined monthly and paid quarterly by the SF Paratransit office.
2. Color schemes are eligible for a ~~rebate discount~~ of ~~up to \$500 off~~ the monthly lease payment for the ramp medallion from SFMTA -if they ~~offer and~~ demonstrate ~~that they have paid for~~ additional ramp taxi driver incentives. Incentives ~~may could~~ include paid health insurance, reduced gate fees, gas subsidies and other paid incentives for ~~driving wheelchair rider accessible transportsvehicles.~~
3. For each year that a ramp taxi driver provides an annual average of 360 paratransit wheelchair pick-ups (~~30 per month average~~), SFMTA will offer a \$4,166-167 ~~discount reduction of on~~ the driver's down payment ~~for the cost of on~~ a ~~regular~~ taxi medallion. This discount can be ~~accrued earned~~ for up to three ~~consecutive~~ years, for a total maximum credit towards a down payment on a ~~regular~~ taxi medallion of \$12,498~~500~~. If a ramp taxi driver is not able to drive ~~due to for~~ medical reasons, he/she may ~~have 90 additional days make up the missing number of pick-ups in the subsequent calendar any year, in addition to the to meet the 360 annual 360 paratransit wheelchair trip requirement for each year.~~ Documentation of ~~proof must be provided to SFMTA Taxi Services to be eligible for the 90-daya medical condition that prevents driving will be required to be eligible to make up missing wheelchair trips in a subsequent year. make-up period.~~

FOR COMPANIES:

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1. ~~Reduced lease rate to \$1000 per month per ramp medallion, which is intended to recognize approximate cost differential for purchasing and maintaining a ramp vehicle spread over the anticipated lifetime of the vehicle. This monthly lease may be reduced by up to \$500 per month upon demonstrating actual expenses to provide additional incentives to ramp drivers, such as fuel discounts, gate fee reductions, health benefits, etc.~~
2. ~~Allow currently placed gas and gates ramp medallions to stay at the existing company until the vehicle expires.~~
3. ~~Companies will be responsible for providing four hours of ramp securement training to any driver that has made fewer than 72 wheelchair pickups in the previous calendar year, whether through in-house resources or by contract with a training provider approved by the SFMTA.~~

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4. Allow companies to park up to 50 percent of ramp vehicles between the hours of 9pm and 7am, so long as 100 percent of ramp orders during those hours are filled within 30 minutes of request.
- 3.5. Companies will be subject to minimum per-medallion wheelchair pickup requirements or lose the right to operate the medallion.

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