

1 [Use of ramped taxi medallion in a spare taxicab sedan when ramped taxi is out of service for  
2 repairs or must be replaced due to breakdown of or damage to the vehicle.]

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4 **Ordinance adding Section 1148.6 of the Police Code to provide that the Taxi**  
5 **Commission may adopt a policy that allows ramped taxi permits to be used to operate**  
6 **spare regular taxicabs when the ramped taxi is out of service for necessary repairs or**  
7 **must be replaced due to breakdown of or damage to the vehicle, provided that the**  
8 **policy meets certain conditions.**

9 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;  
10 deletions are *strikethrough italics Times New Roman*.  
11 Board amendment additions are double underlined.  
Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

12 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

13 Section 1. The San Francisco Police Code is hereby amended by adding Section  
14 1148.6, to read as follows:

15 Sec. 1148.6. USE OF RAMPED TAXI PERMIT IN SPARE TAXICAB.

16 (a) Authorization To Use Ramped Taxi Permit In Spare Taxicab. Notwithstanding Section  
17 1120 of this Article or any other provision of law, the Taxi Commission shall have discretion to adopt a  
18 policy that allows ramped taxi permits to be used for the purpose of operating a taxicab, as defined in  
19 Section 1076(b) of this Article, provided that (i) the taxicab is a spare taxicab, as defined by the Taxi  
20 Commission; (ii) the taxicab meets all applicable legal requirements for its operation; (iii) the ramped  
21 taxi permit cannot be used in the permitholder's ramped taxi because that vehicle is out of service for  
22 necessary repairs, or must be replaced due to breakdown of or damage to the vehicle; (iv) the ramped  
23 taxi permit cannot be used in a spare ramped taxi because none is available at the color scheme with  
24 which the ramped taxi permitholder is affiliated; (v) the use of the ramped taxi permit in a spare  
25 taxicab does not exceed the durational and fleet limits described in subsections (b) and (c); and (vi) in

1 each instance the Taxi Commission or enforcement staff approves the use of the ramped taxi permit in a  
2 spare taxicab. The Taxi Commission or enforcement staff may impose additional conditions beyond  
3 those stated in subsection (a) for the use of a ramped taxi permit in a spare taxicab, to ensure that color  
4 scheme permitholders or ramped taxi permitholders do not abuse the authority to use a ramped taxi  
5 permit in a spare taxicab.

6 (b) Durational Limits. Authorization to use a ramped taxi permit in a spare taxicab is limited  
7 to no more than 30 consecutive days. The Taxi Commission or enforcement staff may impose a shorter  
8 durational limit if repair or replacement of the ramped taxi vehicle in a timely manner would take less  
9 than 30 days. The Taxi Commission or enforcement staff may, for good cause shown, extend the  
10 durational limit beyond 30 days, in increments of no greater than 15 consecutive days, provided that in  
11 no event shall the total durational limit exceed 90 days. If, before a durational limit has been reached,  
12 repairs on the ramped taxi vehicle have been completed or replacement of the ramped taxi vehicle has  
13 been accomplished, the authorization to use the ramped taxi permit in a spare taxicab shall expire by  
14 operation of law.

15 (c) Fleet Limits. If one to three ramped taxi permits are affiliated with a color scheme, only  
16 one ramped taxi permit may be used in a spare taxicab at any one time. For each additional three  
17 ramped taxi permits, or any fraction thereof, affiliated with a color scheme, an additional ramped taxi  
18 permit may be used in a spare taxicab.

19 (d) Taxi Commission Enforcement. The Taxi Commission shall strictly enforce this Section to  
20 ensure that ramped taxi permits are not unlawfully used in spare taxicabs. Without limiting the Taxi  
21 Commission's enforcement remedies, violation of this Section by a color scheme permitholder or  
22 ramped taxi permitholder may result in suspension or revocation of the permit and/or in a  
23 determination that a color scheme may not use any ramped taxi permits affiliated with that color

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1 scheme in spare taxicabs.

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