METROPOLITAN AND CITY POLICE DISTRICTS

CABS

1958 No. 2148

The London Cab Order, 1958

Made - - - - 11*th December*, 1958
Coming into Operation 1*st January*, 1959

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act, 1869(a), and the London Cab and Stage Carriage Act, 1907(b), I hereby order as follows:—

1. For paragraph 40 of the principal Order (which prescribes the scale of fares payable for the hiring of a motor cab) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"40. The fare payable for the hiring of a motor cab shall be according to the following scale:—

(i) a hiring charge of one shilling, and

(ii) in respect of any part of the hiring during which the cab travels at a speed exceeding 4 4/5ths miles an hour, at the rate of threepence for 1/5th of a mile, and

(iii) in respect of any part of the hiring during which the cab is stationary or travels at a speed not exceeding 4 4/5th miles an hour, at the rate of threepence for 2½ minutes:

Provided that—

(*a*) in any case where the fare according to the foregoing scale is less than one shilling and ninepence, the fare payable shall be one shilling and ninepence, and in any other case where the fare exceeds a multiple of threepence by a sum which is less than threepence, the fare payable shall be the next higher multiple of threepence; and

(*b*) where a motor cab is fitted with a taximeter which is not capable of recording automatically when the mechanism thereof is set in motion at the commencement of the hiring the fare payable for the hiring as prescribed in this paragraph the fare shall be that automatically shown upon the taximeter, so however that if there is prominently displayed in the cab, in such a manner as to be clearly legible to the hirer throughout the hiring, a notice stating that a surcharge of sixpence on each hiring to be recorded as an extra has been authorised by order of the Secretary of State dated 11th December, 1958, and the driver has recorded an extra charge of sixpence upon the dial of the taximeter, there shall, in addition to the fare automatically shown thereon as aforesaid, be payable a surcharge of sixpence.",

and Schedule E to the principal Order shall cease to have effect.

(a) 32 & 33 Vict. c. 115. (b) 7 Edw. 7. c. 55.

2. In paragraph 41 of the principal Order (which provides for certain extra charges payable on the hiring of a motor cab) after sub-paragraph (1) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(1A) In addition to the fare payable for the hiring of a motor cab as provided in the last preceding paragraph an extra charge of one shilling shall be payable by the hirer for any hiring which commences or terminates between the hours of midnight and six o'clock in the morning.".

3. The London Cab (No. 2) Order, 1957(**a**) (which provides for a surcharge of sixpence on each hiring of a motor cab), is hereby revoked.

4. In this Order the expression "the principal Order" means the London Cab Order, 1934(**b**), as amended by the London Cab (No. 2) Order, 1951(**c**), the London Cab Order, 1955(**d**), and the London Cab (No. 2) Order, 1957.

5. This Order may be cited as the London Cab Order, 1958, and shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1959.

R. A. Butler,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
11th December, 1958.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The scale of fares payable for the hiring of a motor cab in the Metropolitan Police District and the City of London is specified in paragraph 40, and the extra charges in paragraph 41, of the London Cab Order, 1934, as set out in the London Cab (No. 2) Order, 1951. The London Cab (No. 2) Order, 1957, makes provision for a surcharge of 6d. for each hiring when a prescribed form of notice is displayed in the cab. By Article 1 of this Order the hiring charge to be recorded on the meter is increased from 6d. to 1s. and the Order of 1957 is revoked by Article 3. Paragraph (*b*) of the proviso makes provision for a surcharge of 6d. in cases where the taximeter cannot record the new scale of fares. Article 2 provides for an extra charge of 1s. payable in respect of any hiring commencing or terminating between midnight and 6 a.m.

(**a**) S.I. 1957/1620 (1957 I, p. 1380).
(**b**) S.R. & O. 1934/1346 (Rev. XIV, p. 795: 1934 I, p. 1221).
(**c**) S.I. 1951/1352 (1951 I, p. 1311). (**d**) S.I. 1955/1853 (1955 I, p. 1143).