

Comments received from Taxi Trade regarding Taxi Fare Review –received / 94 sent**Increase**

Suggested increase of Fouling surcharge from £120 to £200

Options offered:

New Tariffs

| Suggestion 1 | Suggestion 2 | Suggestion 3 |
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| Suggested increase of 10% across the Board on all charges and surcharges except fouling | Suggested increase of Fouling surcharge from £120 to £200 | No change to current tariff |

Summary

The fare increase would still allow Taxi Operators to negotiate a lower off meter price where they wish. This is a practice already used in Moray for sometimes for pre-booked journeys, agreed returns etc.

Full Responses:

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| You asked, "Should fares stay the same or should they change to an across the board increase of 10% with an increase to the fouling charge from £120 to up to £200?" Fares should rise across the board by 10% and the fouling charge should increase to £200. |
| I would like to see an increase in the current fares to cope with rising fuel and maintenance costs, obviously these have risen sharply over the last few years I believe an increase to £4 for a local fare and 5p on the yardage would help with this. Also would like to see a review of the charges for waiting time as I don't believe these sufficiently cover operating costs when 50% of the charge only covers the minimum wage at present. |
| Reference the consultation for price increases my response is that my company would be more than happy to leave them as they are for the present. |
| I think that despite of the need to increasing the fare and the understanding of the cost of living rising for everyone, it would be wiser to increase only the fouling charge from £120 to up to £200. (PH) |
| An increase in Taxi Fares would be beneficial and help us in these times. |
| Hi yes I think the fares should go up its been a long time coming. With prices rising all over the whole board we also have to rise |