

Taxis in South Australia BECOMING AN ACCREDITED TAXI DRIVER

Temporary accreditation

The next step is to apply for Temporary Taxi Driver Accreditation. Take your completed Driver Accreditation Application Form, Medical and Eyesight Certificate, National Police Certificate and Course Certificate to the Accreditation and Licensing Centre at Netley for assessment and processing. You will also be required to produce your unrestricted SA driver's licence and pay a fee.

The application and Medical and Eyesight Certificate must be fully completed and your signature to the declaration on the application form witnessed by a Justice of the Peace. If your application is incomplete or the information is incorrect, it will be referred back to you and cause delays in processing your application.

Please note that Medical and Eyesight Certificates and National Police Certificates older than three months from the date of issue will not be accepted.

Any offences recorded on your National Police Certificate or any medical conditions indicated on your Medical and

Eyesight Certificate will be considered in the assessment of your application.

These items will not necessarily preclude you from obtaining accreditation, but it may be necessary for you to appear before the Passenger Transport Standards Committee (PTSC) to answer questions regarding your offence(s) or medical history.

If you are required to attend before the PTSC, you will receive a letter with a date and time for your appearance. You will have the opportunity to present your case and any information, references or character witnesses to support your application.

If you are not required to attend before the PTSC, your application will be returned together with an approval letter from the Accreditation and Licensing Centre requesting that you attend the Accreditation and Licensing Centre to pay for your 3-month Temporary Driver Accreditation to enable you to complete your training.

On-road training and final assessment

Take your temporary accreditation and training logbook to the centralised booking service where you completed your introductory session. Following an induction session, you will complete your logbook training, which involves 120 hours of on-road training with a supervisor.

When you have completed your on-road training, you must take your completed training logbook and make a booking for your final assessment at the training centre where you completed your 3-day training course.

You will be given a certificate of competency when you pass your final assessment.

Take your final assessment certificate of competency, your training logbook, your Temporary Taxi Driver Accreditation and your SA driver's licence to the Accreditation and Licensing Centre. Upon payment of a fee, you will be issued with your permanent Taxi Driver Accreditation (subject to approval).

Employment opportunities

Once you have passed the final assessment and completed your logbook and obtained your driver accreditation you can also consider becoming an Access Taxi Driver. For further information contact Adelaide Access on 8202 1200.



Taxi Driver Training is a joint venture between the following:

Government of South Australia
Department for Transport,
Energy and Infrastructure,
Accreditation and
Licensing Centre
Building 17A,
71 Transport Avenue,
NETLEY SA 5037
Ph: 8226 8026

Approved Training Providers:
Transport Training Centre
17 Wirriga Street,
REGENCY PARK SA 5010
Ph: 8268 6066

Taxi Cab Training Centre
7 Lasalle Street,
DUDLEY PARK SA 5008
Ph: 8269 3392

Centralised Booking Services:
Adelaide Independent Taxis
99 Henley Beach Road,
MILE END SA 5031
Ph: 8202 1200

Suburban Taxis
299 Hindley Street,
ADELAIDE 5000
Ph: 8400 6266

Yellow Cabs
20 Rosslyn Street,
MILE END SA 5031
Ph: 8354 7222

For further information contact:
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Accreditation ensures that safety, efficiency and competency standards are met.

	The introductory session	Complete your forms	English assessment	Driving assessment	Training course
<p>All drivers of taxis in South Australia must hold accreditation under the <i>Passenger Transport Act 1994</i>. The purpose of accreditation is to ensure that certain safety, efficiency and competency standards are met.</p> <p>To become an accredited taxi driver you must successfully complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an introductory session • an English language assessment • a practical basic skills driving assessment • a 3-day training course • 120 hours on-road supervised training • a final assessment. <p>Various fees will apply for some components and will be explained to you at the introductory session.</p>	<p>To attend an introductory session, book in at any one of the centralised booking services listed in this brochure. When making your booking you will need to show your unrestricted South Australian driver's licence and pay the introductory session fee.</p> <p>The introductory session will explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the taxi industry's code of practice • the role of the centralised booking service • how the industry works • how you can become a part of it. 	<p>Upon successful completion of the introductory session you will receive the following forms:</p> <p>Application for Driver Accreditation – MR24</p> <p>This form must be fully completed and your signature to the declaration witnessed by a Justice of the Peace.</p> <p>Medical and Eyesight Certificate – MR212</p> <p>You will need to complete Section 1 of this form and arrange for a medical examination with your doctor who must complete Section 2 of the form. Doctor and other associated fees may apply.</p> <p>Application for a National Police Certificate – PD267</p> <p>You will need to lodge this form at any police station to obtain a National Police Certificate. A fee may apply. The Certificate will take some time to be processed by SA Police and</p>	<p>delays may occur at times of increased demand 100 Points of identification applies – check with the police for requirements.</p> <p>NOTE: From the date of issue of your National Police Clearance Certificate and Medical Certificate, you have a total of three months to successfully complete the training course, on-road training, final assessment and be issued with a Taxi Driver Accreditation. If you are unable to complete the training within the three months, new certificates will be required.</p>	<p>Book and pay in person at the training centre where you intend to complete your English Assessment.</p> <p>You will be assessed on basic literacy and numeracy skills. In the literacy test you will be asked some basic questions, to read some material and to fill in a form. In the numeracy test, you will be asked to solve some simple arithmetic problems (with the use of a calculator, if necessary).</p> <p>Book and pay in person at the training centre where you intend to complete your Driving Assessment.</p> <p>The assessment involves driving a late model family-sized vehicle for around 30 minutes. You will be assessed on your basic driving skills and your ability to provide a safe and comfortable journey for your passenger. Any dangerous or reckless driving or breach of the Road Traffic Code will mean that you must repeat the test.</p> <p>Applicants who fail their driving assessment can be re-assessed, but must wait a minimum of two full working days before repeating the assessment. Additional fees will apply.</p>	<p>The next step is to undertake a 3-day training course. You must book and pay in person at one of the approved training providers listed on the back of this brochure.</p> <p>At the time of booking, you will need to provide three recent passport-size colour photographs of yourself. These will be attached to documentation relating to your training and accreditation as a driver.</p> <p>The course covers the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the role of the Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure • Passenger Transport (General) Regulations 1994 • passengers with special needs • driver safety and security • customer service and relations • tourism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • navigation and use of street directory • driver health and stress management. <p>Applicants who fail the 3-day course can re-test. Additional fees will apply.</p> <p>When you pass the course you will receive a course certificate and a training logbook.</p>