

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TAXICAB COMMISSION

NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

The District of Columbia Taxicab Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to the authority set forth in Sections 8(c) (7) and (19), 14, and, 20j of the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Establishment Act of 1985 (“Establishment Act”), effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-97; D.C. Official Code §§ 50-301.07(c) (7) and (19), 50-301.13, and 50-301.29 (2014 Repl. & 2015 Supp.)), hereby gives notice of its adoption of amendments to Chapter 7 (Enforcement) of Title 31 (Taxicabs and Public Vehicles For Hire) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR).

This final rulemaking amends Chapter 7 to authorize the in-person service of a notice of infraction (NOI) anywhere within the District of Columbia. The current regulations only provide for personal service of an NOI upon the respondent or respondent’s agent at the respondent’s or respondent’s agent’s last known home or business address; by posting the NOI in a conspicuous place in or about the location of the respondent’s place of business; or by sending the NOI by first-class U.S. Mail to the last known home or business address of the respondent, or respondent’s agent. The amendment increases efficiencies and lowers costs to the Office by also allowing service of an NOI at any location where the respondent may be found within the District.

Proposed rulemaking was adopted by the Commission on February 10, 2016 and was published in the *D.C. Register* on May 20, 2016 at 63 DCR 007703. The Commission did not receive any comments during the comment period which expired on June 20, 2016. Any changes made in this final rulemaking from the proposed rulemaking were solely: to correct grammar and typographic errors, to clarify the Commission’s intent, and to lessen the burdens on affected stakeholders. No substantial changes have been made from the proposed rules.

The Commission voted to adopt these rules as final on June 23, 2016, and they will become effective upon publication in the *D.C. Register*.

Chapter 7, ENFORCEMENT, of Title 31 DCMR, TAXICABS AND PUBLIC VEHICLES FOR HIRE, is amended as follows:

Section 714, SERVICE AND FILING, is amended as follows:

A new Subsection 714.6 is added to read as follows:

714.6 In addition to the methods of service available under § 714.1, a notice of infraction may be served by in-person service upon the respondent at any location where the respondent may be found within the District of Columbia.