E-RICKSHAW SEWA SCHEME

Preamble

Electric rickshaws or E-rickshaws are three-wheeled vehicles, e-powered exclusively by electric motors whose traction energy is supplied exclusively by batteries. Delhi has witnessed a sizable increase in the number of these e-Rickshaws in the last few years. These E-rickshaws have become a popular mode of transport for providing first and last mile connectivity, especially to and from the metro stations in Delhi.

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, GOI vide notifications no. GSR.709 (E) & S.O. 2590 (E) dated 08.10.2014 amended the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 for regulation of E-rickshaws under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and rules framed thereunder. Pursuant to the issue of these notifications, Transport Department, Government of Delhi frames the following scheme containing guidelines for the operation & regulation of the E-rickshaws in the NCT of Delhi with an emphasis to further augment the convenience, safety and security of the commuters:-

I: Salient features of the scheme

The scheme- ‘E-rickshaw Sewa’ is aimed at allowing the plying of E-rickshaws in the NCT of Delhi subject to the compliance with the following conditions -

1. ‘E-rickshaw’ shall be battery operated transport vehicle with seating capacity of four persons excluding the driver, with maximum luggage of 40 Kgs as defined under the notification bearing No. GSR.709 (E) dated 8th October, 2014 of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India.

2. The concerned model of E-rickshaw must be duly approved in accordance with the provisions of section 126 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, notification no. GSR.709 (E) dated 8th October, 2014 and S.O. 2590 (E) dated 8th October, 2014 of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Govt. of India.
3. These vehicles shall be registered as transport vehicles under the registration series DL-1ER and shall be granted contract carriage permits (without fare meter).

4. These E- rickshaws vehicles can ply on the roads of Delhi except on the roads where their plying is prohibited as notified by the Transport Department from time to time.

5. The vehicle should be equipped with First aid box and Fire extinguisher.

6. The name, address and telephone number of permit holder shall be painted on the left side of the vehicle.

7. The helpline number (42-400-400) of the Transport Department & that of Delhi Police (1095) shall be displayed on both inside and outside of the vehicle.

8. Every E-rickshaw shall be affixed with a Yellow color reflective strip on its rear side.

9. The dimensions of the vehicle should not exceed length of 2.8 meters, 1.8 meters height and 1 meter width.

10. Every E-rickshaw should have valid fitness certificate issued from the Transport Department.

II: Documents required for the grant/renewal of registration, certificate of fitness and permit.

a) Application for registration of a motor vehicle (Form-20)
b) Sale Certificate in Form 21, as applicable.
c) Certificate of Roadworthiness (Form-22), as applicable.
d) Application for a Contract Carriage Permit (Form -P.C.A.)
e) Manufacture’s Invoice for initial registration
f) Sale Invoice
g) Form 34 (in case of Hypothecation)
h) Copy of Certificate of fitness
i) Valid Insurance Certificate; and
j) Original Letter of Intent (LOI) – wherever applicable.

III: Permit Conditions
1. The vehicle will operate on Contract Carriage Permit.

2. The owner of E-rickshaw should possess a valid license to drive the E-rickshaw and Public Service Badge.

3. The applicant should not own any other E-rickshaw or transport vehicle with permit.

4. These vehicles may ply on the roads of Delhi except on the roads where plying of the E-rickshaws is prohibited as notified, from time to time, by the Transport Department.

5. The ownership of an E-rickshaw shall not be transferable, except in case of death of permit holder as prescribed in section 82 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and rules framed there under.

6. The number of passengers must not exceed the registered seating capacity of four passengers excluding driver. The driver would not allow any passenger to sit on the driver’s seat. Standing of passengers shall not be allowed.

7. The vehicle must be equipped with a first-aid box and fire extinguisher.

8. The name, address and telephone number of permit holder shall be painted on the left side of the exterior body of the vehicle.

9. The helpline numbers 42-400-400 of the Transport Department and 1095 of the Delhi Police shall also be displayed on the vehicle.

10. The driver should wear the uniform in Grey Colour as prescribed by the State Transport Authority Delhi. He/she shall display the Public Service Vehicle Badge on uniform on his/her left side of the chest.

11. The vehicle shall bear a Yellow colour reflective strip on its rear side.

12. While on duty, the driver shall not be under influence of drugs/liquor. He/she shall also not play any audio device in the vehicle during duty hours.

13. In case, an incident of indecent behavior or molestation or eve teasing against a woman takes place in an E-rickshaw; it shall be the duty of the
driver/permit holder to inform the Police immediately and take the victim to the nearest Police Station/Police Post/PCR van.

14. The driver shall not misbehave with the passenger/intending passenger.

15. The driver shall extend help and assistance to senior citizens and differently abled persons, while boarding and alighting the vehicles.

16. The permit holder shall ensure charging of the batteries of the E-rickshaw through his own means in an authorized/legal manner.

17. No hazardous chemical or explosive or inflammable material etc. will be allowed to be carried in the vehicle.

18. The permit holder shall dispose the used lead acid batteries only through an authorized E-waste disposal agency.

19. The vehicle shall be kept in a neat and clean condition at all times during the operation.

20. The permit holder shall comply with all the applicable permit conditions required as per provisions of section 84 of MV Act, so far as they apply to the holder of the permit.

21. The State Transport Authority may after giving notice of not less than one month—
   a) vary any of the conditions of Permit; and
   b) attach to the permit further conditions as it may deem fit, in public interest.

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