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## PASSENGER TRANSPORT SERVICES AMENDMENT (COMMON TICKETING) REGULATIONS 2025

## STATUTORY RULES 2025, No. 65

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# PASSENGER TRANSPORT SERVICES AMENDMENT (COMMON TICKETING) REGULATIONS 2025

I, the Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Passenger Transport Services Act 2011*.

Dated 1 December 2025.

B. BAKER Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

K. VINCENT Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

#### 1. Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Passenger Transport Services Amendment (Common Ticketing) Regulations 2025*.

#### 2. Commencement

These regulations take effect on the day on which their making is notified in the *Gazette*.

#### 3. Principal Regulations

In these regulations, the *Passenger Transport* Services Regulations 2023\* are referred to as the Principal Regulations.

#### 4. Regulation 3 amended (Interpretation)

Regulation 3(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended as follows:

(a) by inserting the following definition after the definition of *Act*:

#### contactless payment method means –

- (a) a debit or credit card issued by an authorised deposit-taking institution; or
- (b) a physical or electronic card or token issued by the department responsible for the administration of the Act; or
- (c) another device or item –

capable of being used to make payment for a fare by means of a reader; (b) by inserting the following definition after the definition of *operational capacity*:

*reader* means an approved device that –

- (a) is installed, in an approved manner, in a vehicle being used to provide a regular passenger service; and
- (b) is to be used for the purposes of
  - (i) accepting payment for fares relating to the regular passenger service; and
  - (ii) registering when a passenger commences and ceases a journey on or in the vehicle;
- (c) by inserting the following definition after the definition of *required equipment*:
  - scan, in relation to a ticket or a contactless payment method, means to hold the ticket or contactless payment method in front of a reader until such time

as the reader indicates (by means of a display, sound or other signal) that it has read and accepted payment by means of the ticket or contactless payment method:

(d) by inserting ", or on behalf of, the Department or" after "charged by" in the definition of *statewide fare structure*.

#### 5. Regulation 14 amended (Fares)

Regulation 14 of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after subregulation (1) the following subregulation:

- (1A) If a person fails to scan a payment method at the commencement and the cessation of a journey as required under regulation 22A(1), the person may be charged, by or on behalf of
  - (a) the Department; or
  - (b) the service operator providing the regular passenger service in respect of the journey –

a default fare in accordance with the statewide fare structure.

# 6. Regulation 22 amended (Obligations in relation to fares)

Regulation 22 of the Principal Regulations is amended as follows:

- (a) by inserting in subregulation (1)(c) "or" after "making;";
- (b) by inserting the following subregulation after subregulation (1):
  - (1A) For the purposes of subregulation (1)(a), a person has paid the required fare for a service if the person
    - (a) has used a contactless payment method to commence payment of the fare on the service at that time; and
    - (b) has yet to complete the person's journey on the service.

### 7. Regulation 22A inserted

After regulation 22 of the Principal Regulations, the following regulation is inserted in Division 2:

# 22A. Obligation to scan at beginning and end of journey

- (1) A person who makes payment in relation to a journey on a regular passenger service by one of the following payment methods must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to scan the payment method at the time of commencing, and at the time of ceasing, the journey on that service:
  - (a) a ticket;
  - (b) a contactless payment method.

Penalty: Fine not exceeding 10 penalty units.

(2) Subregulation (1) does not apply to a person, or a class of persons, who the Secretary has determined need not scan the payment method in relation to the vehicle being used to provide the service at that time and for the journey that the person is making.

### 8. Regulation 38 substituted

Regulation 38 of the Principal Regulations is rescinded and the following regulation is substituted:

#### 38. Powers in relation to fares

(1) In this regulation –

revenue protection device means a device that is used to electronically read or scan a ticket or contactless payment method to determine whether that ticket or contactless payment method has been validly used to pay a fare in relation to a journey on a vehicle being used to provide a regular passenger service.

- (2) An authorised officer may exercise any of the following powers in relation to a passenger on or in a vehicle being used to provide a passenger transport service:
  - (a) to require the passenger to produce evidence that entitles the passenger to travel on the vehicle
    - (i) at that time; and
    - (ii) for the journey that the person has made or is apparently making;
  - (b) if the passenger seeks to travel on a fare at a concession rate, to require the passenger to show evidence that the passenger is eligible to travel at the concession rate;

- (c) if the authorised officer reasonably believes that the passenger has not paid the correct fare for the journey that the passenger has made or is apparently making, to require that passenger to pay
  - (i) that fare; or
  - (ii) if applicable, the amount of that fare that is outstanding.
- (3) For the purposes of subregulation (2)(a), producing evidence in relation to a journey includes
  - (a) producing a valid ticket or pass that entitles the passenger to travel on the vehicle at that time and for that journey; and
  - (b) doing everything reasonably necessary to allow the authorised officer to use a revenue protection device on a contactless payment method purported to have been used to pay the fare in relation to the journey.

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### 9. Schedule 3 amended (Infringement notices)

Schedule 3 to the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after item 11 in Part 2 the following item:

11A. | Regulation 22A(1) | 1.5

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Printed and numbered in accordance with the *Rules Publication Act 1953*.

Notified in the *Gazette* on 10 December 2025.

These regulations are administered in the Department of State Growth.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations)

These regulations amend the *Passenger Transport Services* Regulations 2023 by –

- (a) providing for the use of contactless payment methods to pay fares in respect of regular passenger services; and
- (b) specifying the obligation of a passenger, in certain circumstances, to scan on and off during a journey on a regular passenger service; and
- (c) providing for the use of revenue protection devices by authorised officers in respect of fare evasion; and
- (d) updating the list of infringement notice offences.