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MAIB PRICING INVESTIGATION

The Tasmanian Economic Regulator has completed its investigation into the Motor Accidents Insurance Board's (MAIB) pricing policies with respect to motor accidents (personal injury) insurance and has recommended maximum premiums for the four years from 1 December 2017.

The Tasmanian Economic Regulator, Mr Joe Dimasi, has recommended that premiums for most classes, including private motor cars (Class 1), remain unchanged from current maximum premiums. The recommended maximum premiums for each vehicle class are based on actual accident claims data.

Mr Dimasi has also recommended that, initially, a new class be created for vehicles used to provide ride-sourcing services (eg Uber) and that the maximum premium for these vehicles is the same as payable on Class 1 vehicles. These recommendations have been made as there is currently insufficient data about the risks of operating a ride-sourcing vehicle to be able to recommend specific premiums for these vehicles. Once sufficient data are available, the level of risk, and therefore the maximum premium for vehicles used for these purposes, can be re-assessed.

Mr Dimasi has also recommended:

- small premium decreases for medium public passenger vehicles, motor trade plates, farm tractors and special interest vehicles;
- small premium increases for motorcycles, taxis, luxury hire cars and off-road and recreational vehicles; and
- from 1 December 2018, the MAIB be allowed to increase maximum premiums for all vehicles in line with the growth in wages.

The Final Report has been provided to the Treasurer and the Minister for Infrastructure.

The final decision on the MAIB's premiums for the next four years will be made by the Government.

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Copies of the Final Report, submissions from stakeholders and the Terms of Reference are available at: www.economicregulator.tas.gov.au
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The Tasmanian Economic Regulator's recommended maximum premiums (including GST and duty) for the period 1 December 2017 to 30 November 2018

Class	Vehicle Description*	Present Premium	Recommended Maximum Premium from 1 Dec 2017
1	Motor Car	314	314
	Discounted premium for eligible asylum seekers and pensioners	255	255
2	Light Goods Vehicle	314	314
	Discounted premium for eligible asylum seekers and pensioners	255	255
3	Heavy Goods Vehicle	485	485
4	Medium Motorcycle	465	478
5	Large Motorcycle	465	478
6	Taxi or Luxury Hire Car	1 021	1 028
7	Large Public Passenger Vehicle	780	780
8	Hire and Drive Vehicle	780	780
9	Caravan, Horse Float, Plant and Machinery (non-self-propelled)	59	59
10	Heavy Trailer	106	106
11	Mobile Crane	331	331
12	Restricted Registration Vehicles, including farm motorcycles	61	61
13	Plant and Machinery (self-propelled)	131	131
14	Motor Trade Plate	331	327
15	Farm Tractor	131	125
16	Medium Public Passenger Vehicle	415	408
17	Small Motorcycle	167	174
18	Off-road and Recreational Vehicle	242	257
19	Short Term Unregistered Vehicle	49	49
20	Medium-Large Motorcycle	465	478
21	Vintage Motor Vehicle or Street Rod	49	49
22	Special Interest Vehicle	115	109
23 (NEW)	Ride-sourcing Vehicle	n/a	314

Increase in maximum premium
Decrease in maximum premium
New vehicle class

*Appendix F of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator's *Investigation into the Motor Accidents Insurance Board's Pricing Policies Final Report July 2017* provides a detailed description of vehicle classifications.