

## Step-by-Step Guide

**Your TNC will tell you the status of your application throughout the process.** King County does not provide the application status to individuals.

### Step 1: Apply to Drive for a TNC

To obtain a for-hire permit, you must first sign up with a TNC. The TNC will send your application to King County for you.

### Step 2: Vehicle Inspection

The TNC will help you get your vehicle inspected by an approved mechanic.

### Step 3: Pick Up Your For-Hire Permit

Your TNC will tell you when your for-hire permit and vehicle decal (sticker) are ready for pick up from King County.

### Step 4: Required DDC Training

The Defensive Driving Course (DDC) is a 4-hour online course for first-time applicants. Please check with your TNC about how to complete training.

### Step 5: Renew Your For-Hire Permit

Your expiration date is one year from when King County received your application. Work with your TNC to update information and inspection.



# King County

Records and Licensing  
Services Division



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Taxi, For-Hire, and TNC Licensing  
206-263-1982



Hours – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Monday thru Friday



King County Administration Building  
500 Fourth Ave., Suite 401  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Other Resources

### Seattle Finance & Administrative Services

Regulatory Compliance &  
Consumer Protection  
[tnc@seattle.gov](mailto:tnc@seattle.gov)  
206-386-1267

Business Licenses  
[tax@seattle.gov](mailto:tax@seattle.gov)  
206-684-8484

Scan to find  
TNC info online



# Want to drive for a TNC?

Transportation network companies (TNCs), drivers, and vehicles are regulated by King County and the City of Seattle.



If you want to drive your personal vehicle for a TNC, you and your vehicle need to have:

- A for-hire driver permit
- A TNC vehicle decal



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# General Guidelines

## What do I need?

To be a TNC driver, you need a for-hire driver permit and a vehicle decal (sticker).

## How do I get the permit and decal?

Sign up with a TNC and they will help you through the application process. The TNC will tell you when the permit and decal are ready for pick up at King County. Work with your TNC to renew the permit and decal every year.

## Where can I pick up passengers?

The vehicle endorsement # on your For-Hire Permit indicates where you are authorized to pick up passengers:

- CE = King County & City of Seattle (also known as “dual”)
- CI = City of Seattle only
- CO = King County only

## For-Hire Permit & TNC Decal

Your for-hire permit will show your same name as your driver’s license, your for-hire identification number, and an expiration date.

### Expiration Date

Work with your TNC to renew your permit within 60 days of this date



### Vehicle Endorsement #

This number is linked to your decal and indicates where you are authorized to pick up passengers

Your inspected and approved vehicle will get a TNC endorsement number on a decal.



## Display Your Permit & Decal

Photocopy your permit, making it larger (at least 5 ½” by 8 ½”), and cover it in plastic.

Display option 1: Hang it behind the front seat headrest



Display option 2: Stick it on the dashboard



Stick the decal to the inside of your windshield near the rearview mirror. The decal must be clear from the outside.

