

NOVA SCOTIA REGULATORY AND APPEALS BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSPORT ACT

-and-

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION by **CABOT DISCOVERY TOURS INC.** for
issue of an Extra-Provincial Operating Licence

BEFORE:

 Bruce H. Fisher, MPA, CPA, Panel Chair
 Darlene Willcott, LL.B., Member
 Marc Dunning, P.Eng., LL.B., Member

DECISION AND ORDER

Cabot Discovery Tours Inc. of Baddeck, Nova Scotia, made an application which was received by the Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board on July 17, 2025, for the issue of an Extra Provincial Operating Licence to operate in accordance with Appendix A attached hereto.

Notice of the application was published in the Royal Gazette on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, and notice provided to the industry. No objections were received by the deadline of August 27, 2025.

The application was considered by the Board without a hearing on September 10, 2025.

Having considered the *Motor Carrier Act*, including the factors set out in s. 13, the Board finds it is in the public interest to approve the application.

The Board approves the application, and orders that the licence be issued as per Appendix A, attached hereto, effective immediately.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 10th day of September 2025.



Clerk of the Board

Appendix A

SCHEDULE A – ROUTES

Cape Breton to Prince Edward Island and/or New Brunswick and return.

SCHEDULE B – AREAS

Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

SCHEDULE C – TIMETABLE

No set schedule

SCHEDULE D – RATES

D(1) – RATES

Live per km - \$2.60

Daily Rate - \$885.00

Hourly rate - \$110.00

Minimum rate- \$440.00

Wait time - \$75.00 per hour

Deadhead per km - \$2.30

Terms and Conditions:

All rates are exclusive of tax.

1. Single Day Sightseeing Tours: Charges are the greater of the total kilometres or the applicable minimum, hourly and daily rates.
2. Multi-day Sightseeing Tours: Charges are the greater of the total kilometres or the applicable daily and hourly rates.
3. At the discretion of Cabot Discovery Tours Inc., it may grant discounts/commissions up to 30%, subject to the Minimum Charter Rates.

Additional Charges

Taxes and Tolls: HST, bridges, ferries, parking, etc., if not paid directly by the customer.

Overnight Accommodations: the customer shall pay for the driver's overnight accommodations if required.

SCHEDULE E – VEHICLES

E(1) - VEHICLES

2016 Ford Transit 350 (11 passenger) 1FBZX2CM7GKB10480

2023 Ford Transit 350 (14 passenger) 1FBAX2C87PKA95866

2024 Toyota Sienna (7 passenger) 5TDGRKEC1RS198682

SCHEDULE F – AUTHORITIES

F(1) - SPECIALTY IRREGULAR RESTRICTED AREA PUBLIC PASSENGER SERVICE

The transportation of any individual or group for round trip narrated sightseeing package tours or private group tours of Cape Breton Island to include PEI and/or New Brunswick based on the individual requests of clients commencing and terminating all points in Nova Scotia.