

Rules on trikes set

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Quezon City has a task force to review the city's tricycle route plan (TRP) following the Department of the Interior and Local Government's directive to ban tricycles from national highways.

Task Force Tricycle (TFT) reiterates the prohibition of tricycles, pedicabs and motorized pedicabs from traversing national highways.

It also directs local government units (LGU) to establish a tricycle task force, separate from the tricycle regulatory board, to formulate or review its tricycle route plan.

The city has 150 Tricycle Operator and Drivers Associations (TODA) and 24,756 tricycles with franchise, and 2,237 utility service tricycles that directly support the needs of at least 150,000 local residents.

The District Director of the Quezon City Police District and the Assistant City Administrator for Operations will act as vice chairmen to the City Mayor, with the head of the city's Tricycle Regulation Division (TRD) under the Task Force on Transport and Traffic Management (TFTTM) as action officer.

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Members of the Task Force include the chairman of the City Council's Committee on Transportation and Tricycle Franchising Board, president of the Liga ng mga Barangay, officer-in-charge of the TFTTM, action officer of Task Force Disiplina, president of the Quezon City TODA Federation, and executive director of the Scholarship and Youth Development Program.

The heads of the Department of Public Order and Safety, City Planning and Development Department, Barangay and Community Relations Department, Social Services and Development Department, Public Employment and Service Office, Small Business and Cooperatives Development and Promotions Office, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority-QC, and the Public Affairs and Information Services Department are also members of the TFT.