

321N.1 Definitions.

As used in [this chapter](#), unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Department*” means the state department of transportation.
2. “*Digital network*” means an online-enabled application, internet site, or system offered or utilized by a transportation network company that enables transportation network company riders to prearrange rides with transportation network company drivers.
3. “*Personal vehicle*” means a noncommercial motor vehicle that is used by a transportation network company driver and is owned, leased, or otherwise authorized for use by the transportation network company driver. “*Personal vehicle*” does not include a taxicab, limousine, or other vehicle for hire.
4. “*Prearranged ride*” means the provision of transportation by a transportation network company driver to a transportation network company rider. A prearranged ride begins when a driver accepts a ride request from a rider through a digital network controlled by a transportation network company, continues while the driver transports the requesting rider, and ends when the last requesting rider departs from the driver’s personal vehicle. A prearranged ride does not include transportation provided using a taxicab, limousine, or other vehicle for hire, or a shared expense carpool or vanpool arrangement.
5. “*Transportation network company*” or “*company*” means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity that operates in this state and uses a digital network to connect transportation network company riders to transportation network company drivers who provide prearranged rides. A transportation network company is not deemed to control, direct, or manage a transportation network company driver that connects to its digital network, or the driver’s personal vehicle, except as agreed to by the company and the driver pursuant to a written contract.
6. “*Transportation network company driver*” or “*driver*” means an individual who does all of the following:
 - a. Receives connections to potential transportation network company riders and other related services from a transportation network company in exchange for payment of a fee to the transportation network company.
 - b. Uses a personal vehicle to offer or provide prearranged rides to transportation network company riders upon connection through a digital network controlled by a transportation network company in return for compensation or payment of a fee.
7. “*Transportation network company rider*” or “*rider*” means an individual or group of individuals who uses a transportation network company’s digital network to connect with a transportation network company driver to request a prearranged ride for the individual or group of individuals, and who receives the prearranged ride in the driver’s personal vehicle between locations chosen by the individual or group of individuals.

[2016 Acts, ch 1101, §6, 24](#)

Referred to in [§321.1](#), [321.446](#), [325A.1](#), [325A.11](#), [325A.12](#), [327D.1](#)