

《北京救护车本月起实行打表收费》

Beijing is installing taxi-like meters in 580 ambulances in a move to curb customer complaints of overcharging. The municipality is the first in China to implement such a policy citywide, media reported.

近日，在北京580辆救护车上，类似出租车上的计程器被安装在上面，以此处理客户对要价太高的投诉。根据媒体报道，这是中国第一次在全市范围内实行这样的政策。

Beginning May 1, select fleets of 120 and 999 emergency response vehicles will operate with meters to help drivers and patients clearly tally up ambulance fees, the Beijing Morning Post reported on Saturday.

据《北京晨报》上周六报道，从5月1日开始，120和999的一些应急车辆将开始打表计价，为司机和病人清楚地计算出救护车的费用。

The base fare is 50 yuan (7.69 dollars) within three kilometers and 7 yuan for each additional kilometer, according to the new tariffs set by the Beijing Municipal Administration of Quality and Technology Supervision.

根据北京市政府质量技术监督局设定的新价格表显示，基本票价是三公里内50元，每增加一公里收费7元。



The policy replaces the non-transparent system of drivers calculating charges right after being dispatched from the hospital, where fees could easily reach into the hundreds of yuan and result in disputes between drivers and

customers, The Beijing News reported.

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A similar policy was piloted in 2009 at Shanghai's Songjiang District Medical Emergency Center,media reported.

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The new fares saw their fair share of debate online.

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"Didi Taxi should also launch an ambulance dispatch service," "burry51" from Tianjin said.

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"Finally there is a standard. Compared with what seemed like a random charging system, this is progress,"
"Zhengzhou Huahui Zulin Zubai" said.

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"I hope they won't take detours on purpose," "Nanjing Chengli Xia Yuanxiao," a Sina Weibo user said.

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