

# Russian Officials Fine Uber for 'Misleading Customers'

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Russian authorities have fined U.S. transport company Uber after ruling that the firm is misleading customers.

Consumer watchdog Rospotrebnadzor gave Uber a 100,000 ruble (\$1,724) fine after ruling that the company had not made it clear that it was not providing taxi services. Officials claimed that passengers did not know if these Uber sub-contractors were licensed taxi drivers who could ensure their safety on the road [, the Interfax news agency reported Tuesday.](#)

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Founded in 2009, Uber currently operates in 528 cities across the globe. The company runs background checks on drivers who use the app, but driver requirements change from country

to country.

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