

UberX to pick up at Los Angeles International Airport

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In this Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2016 file photo, a driver displaying Lyft and Uber stickers on his front windshield drops off a passenger in downtown Los Angeles, Calif. Passengers arriving at Los Angeles International Airport will be allowed to leave in an UberX car starting Thursday, Jan. 21. (AP Photo/Richard Vogel, File)

Passengers arriving at Los Angeles International Airport will be allowed to leave in an UberX car starting Thursday morning.

LAX was a notable holdout against Uber's cheapest ride-hailing service, as taxi companies lobbied to keep out a potent competitor.

After months of negotiations, the agency overseeing LAX made the announcement Wednesday. The main catch: Passengers will have to go to the upstairs arrivals level. Also, each ride will have a \$4 charge.

Up until now, UberX passengers often would board a hotel or rental car shuttle to take them off airport property, then open Uber's app and summon a car.

In December, the [airport](#) allowed pickups by Lyft, an Uber competitor. The agency overseeing LAX says that in the first two weeks, there were nearly 50,000 drop-off and pick-up trips.

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