

Dual (private hire vehicle and hackney carriage) driver's licence conditions

In these conditions the term 'road' means any highway or road to which the public has access, including bridges over which a road passes.

- 1. The licence holder shall notify the licensing section in writing of any change of name or address within five working days.
- 2. The licence holder shall not while driving or in charge of a private hire vehicle:
 - a. tout or solicit on a road or other public place for the purpose of hire and reward or to be carried for hire in any private hire vehicle
 - b. cause or procure any other person to tout or solicit on the road or the public place to hire or be carried for hire in any private hire vehicle
 - c. offer that vehicle for immediate hire while the licence holder or that vehicle is on a road or located within a public place
 - d. accept an offer for the immediate hire of that vehicle while the licence holder or that vehicle is on the road or located within a public place, except where such an offer is first communicated to the licence holder by telephone or by apparatus for wireless telegraphy fitted to that vehicle
- 3. The licence holder must not carry more passengers than the number prescribed in the licence for the vehicle, regardless of the age or size of the passenger.
- 4. The licence holder shall at all times when driving or acting in accordance with the driver's licence granted to him:
 - a. wear the driver's badge that has been issued to him/her by the council in such a position and manner that is clearly displayed and visible
 - b. be clean and respectable in his/her dress and person and behave in an orderly manner
 - c. conduct him/herself with civility and properly towards every person hiring his/her vehicle or being conveyed in it
- 5. The drivers badge shall remain the property of the council and if their licence is revoked or not renewed he/she shall return the badge to the council within ten working days subject to the exercise by the licensee of any rights of appeal in respect of such decision in which event they may retain possession of the badge pending the outcome of such appeal.
- 6. The licence holder shall carry a true record of his/her duties containing the name of the hirer, time, date, commencement and destination address. The record shall be completed prior to a hiring being attended to and shall be available for production to an authorised officer or constable upon request.
- 7. The licence holder shall notify the licensing section in writing within five working days full details of any conviction, binding over, caution, fixed penalty* notice, warning or reprimand imposed on him/her during the period of the licence. Whether charged or not, the driver shall notify the council within three working days of their arrest for any alleged offence(s)

*this includes all motoring offences whether endorsable or not and the requirement to attend any speed awareness course

- 8. The licence holder shall comply with all relevant statutory requirements contained in Part II of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976 and in the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and all other conditions imposed by the council.
- 9. The licence holder of a private hire vehicle must carry a guide dog or assistance dog belonging to a passenger free of charge unless the licence holder has a proven medical condition that would preclude such action and has been given exemption from the council.
- 10. A licence holder of a wheelchair accessible vehicle must before the commencement of any journey ensure that all wheelchairs are firmly secured and that the brakes of all wheelchairs have been applied.
- 11. The licence holder of a private hire vehicle shall at all times when driving a private hire vehicle carry with him/her a copy of these conditions and shall make it available for the inspection by the hirer or any other passenger on request.
- 12. A licence holder of a private hire vehicle must not accept bookings unless he/she holds a valid private hire operator's licence.
- 13. The licence holder shall undertake mandatory safeguarding training.
- 14. The Smoke Free Regulations 2007 state that any vehicle shall be smoke free if used by a member of the public whether or not for hire and reward.

The licence holder must ensure his/her licensed vehicle(s) are smoke free at all times including when passengers are not being carried.

Section 7(2) of the Health Act 2006 states that a person commits an offence if they smoke in a smoke free place or vehicle and that person would be liable for a fixed penalty notice for £50.

Warning

Failure to comply with any of the conditions attached to this licence may result in the suspension or revocation of the licence to drive a private hire vehicle.