

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976

## STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

- A. The Licensee must comply with the Standard Conditions attached to a Private Hire Drivers Licence
- B. The Licensee shall at all times when acting in accordance with the licence, wear in such a position as to be plainly and distinctly visible, the badge issued to him/her by the Council, pursuant to section 54 (1) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provision Act) 1976
- C. The Licensee shall at all times when acting in accordance with this Licence be clean and respectable in his dress and person and conduct himself in an orderly manner and with civility and propriety towards every person hiring or being conveyed in any private hire vehicle driven by him and shall comply with every reasonable requirement of the hirer or person being conveyed in the vehicle.
- D. The Licensee shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of persons conveyed in or entering or alighting from any private hire vehicle driven by him.
- E. The Licensee shall ensure that all passengers, adults and children, are restrained by seatbelts in accordance with the current seatbelt legislation.
- F. The Licensee shall not convey or permit to be conveyed in any private hire vehicle driven by him any greater number of persons (excluding the Licensee) than the number of persons specified on the plates provided by the Council and affixed to the vehicle.
- G. The Licensee when required by the hirer of any private hire vehicle driven by him shall not refuse to carry in the vehicle the number of persons specified on the plates provided by the Council and affixed to the vehicle, or any less number as required by the hirer.
- H. If the Licensee has agreed or has been hired to be in attendance with a private hire vehicle at any appointed time and place he shall, unless delayed or prevented by some sufficient cause, punctually attend with the vehicle at such appointed time and place.
- I. If the Licensee has agreed or has been hired to be in attendance with a private hire vehicle so constructed as to carry luggage he shall, when requested by the hirer or any person being conveyed in the vehicle:-
  - (i) convey a reasonable quantity of luggage;
  - (ii) afford reasonable assistance in loading and unloading;
  - (iii) afford reasonable assistance in removing it to or from the entrance of any house, station or place at which he may take up or set down such person or persons.
- J. If the Licensee shall knowingly convey in any private hire vehicle driven by him the dead body of any person he shall immediately thereafter notify the fact to the Council's Director of Leisure and Environment.
- K. The Licensee shall immediately after the termination of any hiring of a private hire vehicle driven by him or as soon as practicable thereafter carefully search the vehicle for any property which may have been accidentally left therein.
- L. The Licensee shall, if any property accidentally left in any private hire vehicle by any persons who may have been conveyed in the vehicle by the Licensee be found or handed to him/her, take it as soon as possible, and in any event within 48 hours, if not sooner claimed by or on behalf of its owner, to the premises of the Private Hire Operator, for whom he/she was working for at the time. The property will be given into safe custody of the Operator or his/her deputy, on him/her giving a receipt for its deposit.

- M. The Licensee shall not permit or suffer any person to be carried in, on or about any private hire vehicle driven by him during a hiring without the express consent of the hirer of the vehicle.
- N. The Licensee, if authorised by the proprietor of any private hire vehicle to act as the driver of such vehicle, shall not suffer any other person to act as driver of such vehicle without the consent of the proprietor thereof.
- O. The Licensee shall not act as the driver of any private hire vehicle without the consent of the proprietor thereof.
- P. Private hire vehicles must carry a guide dog or assistance dog belonging to the passenger, free of charge, unless the Licensee has a proven medical condition that would preclude such action. Licensees have a responsibility to ensure that their company is aware of such a condition when they are first employed. Exemption to this condition will only be given on production of a medical certificate.
- Q. The holder of a Private Hire Drivers Licence must inform the Council, as soon as possible of any change in his/her medical circumstances. The council reserves the right to require a medical from the licensee/applicant at any time on notification or suspension of any changes in mental or physical health.
- R. The Licensee must inform the Licensing Officer of Three Rivers District Council, in writing, of any changes to his/her address and/or operator within 7 days.
- S. The Licensee must inform the Licensing Officer of Three Rivers District Council, if, whilst responsible for a licenced private hire vehicle, it is involved in a Road Traffic Accident, of any kind, within 72 hours.
- T. The driver of a Private Hire vehicle, licensed by Three Rivers District Council, must NOT in any circumstances use the horn of the vehicle to attract a customer or to let a customer know that they have arrived at a pre-arranged meeting place.