

**APPENDIX E CURRENT VEHICLE CONDITIONS
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976**

STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE

(A) Plates

The plates (provided by the Council and which remain the property of the Council) identifying the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle in respect of which this licence has been granted, must be affixed externally to the rear of the vehicle and displayed at all times, unless, exemption has been granted.

(B) Colours of Vehicle

The vehicle must NOT be painted white with a black bonnet and black boot. The sills, panels, wings and bumpers must be free from defects and excess corrosion, all paint-work must be free from excessive corrosion and aesthetically correct.

(C) Advertisement Signs

- (i) The advertising of the Private Hire logo.
- (ii) That which complies with the Advertising Standards Authority Code of Advertising conduct and has been approved.
- (iii) For Roof Signs for Private Hire vehicles, please consult with the Licensing Officer.

(D) External Mirrors

Either two wing mirrors or two door mirrors must be fitted one on each side of the vehicle to afford the driver adequate vision to the rear. Extra mirrors may be fitted, if desired, but these must not interfere with the clear vision of the driver in the wing or door mirrors.

(E) Tyres

The vehicle must be fitted with either all radial or cross-ply tyres, and the spare wheel and tyre must be of the same size as those fitted to the vehicle, except for a vehicle with a manufacturer's "Space Saving" wheel. Vehicles with a 'Space Saving' wheel are to comply with the manufacturer's specifications as to use. When so used, the vehicle must **not** be used for plying for hire, or private hire. Any change in the type or size of the tyres fitted to the vehicle must be reported to the Licensing Officer at once.

(F) Meters

Any taxi meter or other device for recording fares and/or mileage must be of a type approved by the Council and must be fitted in such position and manner as shall be prescribed by the Council's Inspecting Officer.

(G) Two-Way Radio Equipment

Radio equipment should be installed in the vehicle, so that the equipment and proposed position does not affect passenger and driver safety and comfort. The vehicle must not be used as a Private Hire Vehicle before the equipment and position, have been approved by the Council's Inspecting Officer.

(H) Doors

Vehicle must have at least 4 doors with handles allowing them to be opened from inside. Vehicles specially built/adapted to carry disabled passengers (Taxation Class DPV) are exempt from this condition.

(J) Fire Extinguisher

Vehicles must have an up to date Fire Extinguisher of the Dry Powder type, contents of not less than 0.9 kg, fitted in the car, within ease reach of the driver. The extinguisher should be fitted, preferably in the front seating area, making sure that it in no way affects the safe operation of the vehicle.