

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976

1. COLOUR OF VEHICLE

All vehicles brought into the Trade must have white paintwork.

Exemptions to 1.

- custom built cars
- limousines
- vehicles used exclusively for weddings and funerals

2. MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLE

The vehicle and all its fittings and equipment shall at all times when the vehicle is in use or available for hire be kept in an efficient, safe, tidy and clean condition and all relevant statutory requirements including in particular those contained in Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use Regulations) shall be fully complied with.

3. ALTERATION OF VEHICLE

No material alteration or change in the specification, design, condition or appearance of the vehicle shall be made without the approval of the Council at any time while the licence is in force.

4. CCTV EQUIPMENT

CCTV, including digital stills equipment may be installed in this licence vehicle subject to the following provisions:-

1. Approval in writing must be obtained from the Council before CCTV equipment is installed and used in the vehicle;
2. CCTV equipment shall be of a specification approved by the Council; The equipment shall be installed, operated and maintained to the satisfaction of the Council;
3. Any material recorded on the equipment shall be used only as evidence in court proceedings or to aid investigation of a crime or to confirm or rebut complaints made against a driver;

4. Material captured by the system shall be accessible only to the Police, specifically authorised Council officers or other persons authorised by the Council;
5. Recorded material must be made available upon demand to the Police and a duly authorised officer of the Council;
6. Notices indicating that the CCTV system is in operation in the vehicle shall be clearly displayed on passenger windows visible from the outside and in the interior of the vehicle. The notices shall state "CCTV OPERATES IN THIS VEHICLE" Such notices shall not be displayed unless the system is in use;
7. Each system must be registered with the office of the Data Protection Registrar with proof of registration supplied to the Council.

5. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

There shall be provided and maintained in the vehicle at all times when it is in use or available for hire, a suitable and efficient fire extinguisher and a suitable first aid kit containing appropriate first aid dressings and appliances, such equipment to be carried in such a position as may from time to time be approved by the Council so as to be readily visible and available for immediate use in an emergency.

6. INTERIOR MARKINGS

The proprietor shall cause to be clearly marked and maintained inside the vehicle in such a position as to be visible at all times to persons conveyed therein the number of this licence and the number of passengers prescribed in this licence.

7. SIGNS, NOTICES, ETC.

- (1) No signs, notices, advertisements, plates, marks, numbers, letters, figures, symbols, emblems or devices whatsoever shall be displayed on, in or from the vehicle except as may be required by any statutory provision (including byelaws) or required or permitted by these conditions, provided however that this condition shall not apply:-
 - (i) To any indication on a taxi meter fitted to the vehicle or to a sign which:
 - (a) is displayed in, on or from the vehicle while it is stationary;

- (b) contains no words or numbers other than the name and address of the operator of the vehicle or the name under which he carries on his business and its address and, in either case, the name of the passenger or passengers to be carried in the vehicle; and
 - (c) is displayed in pursuance of a prior arrangement made for the carriage of a passenger or passengers named in the sign.
- (ii) to the corporate door sign which shall be displayed on both front doors

Exemptions to (1)(ii)

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- (iii) to optional door signs of a design approved by the Council for display on the rear door panels of the vehicles, when not more than one sign shall be displayed on each side of the vehicle. The proprietor shall obtain the consent of the Council for such signs before they are first displayed.
- (2) The proprietor shall cause to be affixed and maintained to the roof of the vehicle at all times that the vehicle is in use as a taxi, the authorised sign for taxis licensed by the Council. The sign shall comprise a yellow base material with attached blue front panel bearing the words EASTBOURNE TAXI in yellow. The rear panel of the sign shall bear the word TAXI or if the proprietor chooses, the telephone number of the taxi business. The word TAXI or telephone number of the taxi business on the rear panel shall be in red on a black background in Helvetica Bold font style. The letters of the word EASTBOURNE shall be 2.5cm high and 2cm wide. The letters of the word TAXI shall be 7cm high and 8.5cm wide. The digits of the telephone number on the rear of the sign shall be 8cm high and 5cm wide.

The sign shall be illuminated and have a green light on top capable of being switched on to indicate the vehicle is for hire.

The sign shall be displayed transversely on the roof of the vehicle and may not exceed 46cm in width and 17cm in height of a type approved by the Council.

Fairway, Metrocab and similar purpose-made taxis with built-in signs are exempt from the above.

Additional exemptions to 6(2) are:-

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8. TAXIMETERS

Taximeters fitted to hackney carriages shall be fully date and time operated calendar meters with the manual override disabled. The taximeters shall be British Standards Institute and Public Carriage Office approved. This condition shall apply from 1st June 2002.

9. CONVICTIONS

The proprietor shall within seven days disclose to the Council in writing details of any conviction imposed on him (or, if the proprietor is a company or partnership, on any of the directors or partners) during the period of the licence.

10. APPEALS

Any person aggrieved by these conditions may appeal to the magistrates' court within 21 days of being notified of the Council's requirements. There is a further right of appeal to the Crown Court against a decision of the magistrates.