

Amendments to Guidance Notes and Conditions

Amendments to existing conditions

9.1 A vehicle submitted for initial licensing must be less than 5 years old from date of first registration. The maximum age of a vehicle that may continue to be licensed is 8 years from date of first registration for all types of private hire vehicle, and 10 years for hackney carriages.

amend to;

9.1 A vehicle submitted for initial licensing must be less than 5 years old from date of first registration. The maximum age of a vehicle that may continue to be licensed is 9 years from date of first registration for all types of private hire vehicle, and 11 years for hackney carriages.

AND

14.1 Vehicles up to 5 years old from the date of first registration at DVLA will be subject to an annual inspection. Once a licensed vehicle reaches 5 years old from date of first registration, it will require a first inspection within the next 6 months, and will be subject to 6-monthly inspections thereafter, unless in circumstances where the vehicle has had at least its first inspection, has a valid MOT, proof of a valid/recent service, valid insurance, hasn't been in an accident since the last inspection and has done less than **4,000 miles** since the last inspection then the Bracknell Forest Licensing Authority will grant a 6 month extension to subsequent 6-monthly inspections falling due after **24th March 2020** under a scheme to run until **31st March 2021**. Notwithstanding this allowance, licence holders have a legal obligation to ensure that their vehicles are roadworthy at all times including regularly checking the vehicles/tyres/brakes etc. in that regard.

amend to;

14.1 Vehicles up to 5 years old from the date of first registration at DVLA will be subject to an annual inspection. Once a licensed vehicle reaches 5 years old from date of first registration, it will require a first inspection within the next 6 months, and will be subject to 6-monthly inspections thereafter, unless in circumstances where the vehicle has had at least its first inspection, has a valid MOT, proof of a valid/recent service, valid insurance, hasn't been in an accident since the last inspection and has done less than **4,000 miles** since the last inspection then the Bracknell Forest Licensing Authority will grant a 6 month extension to subsequent 6-monthly inspections falling due after **24th March 2020** under a scheme to run until **30th September 2021**. Notwithstanding this allowance, licence holders have a legal obligation to ensure that their vehicles are roadworthy at all times including regularly checking the vehicles/tyres/brakes etc. in that regard.

AND

32.2 Where officers are minded to refuse a new licence application, the applicant will be offered the opportunity for the matter to be determined by a Panel of members drawn from the Licensing and Safety Committee. If referred, the applicant will be informed in writing of the date and time, and will receive information on their rights and the process of the hearing.

amend to;

32.2 Where officers are minded to refuse a new licence application (but not where officers are minded to refuse a renewal licence application) the applicant will be offered the opportunity for the matter to be determined by a Panel.

or

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32.2 Where officers are minded to refuse either a new licence application or a renewal licence application the applicant will be offered the opportunity for the matter to be determined by a Panel.