



**Licence Application
Hackney Carriage Vehicle**

For office use only	
	Checked
Veh. Reg. Doc	
M.O.T. Cert.	
Insurance	
Test Date:	PASS/FAIL

RENEWAL

NEW APPLICATION

Please tick

VEHICLE PROPRIETOR(S)

If the vehicle is an insurer's hire car etc details of the licensed driver must be provided in section 2

Name(s)	1.	2.
Addresses:		
Tel: No(s):		

LICENCE DETAILS

Licence Plate Number	
Date Licence Expires	

VEHICLE SPECIFICATION

Registration Number:	
Make and type of Vehicle	
Cubic Capacity of Engine and Fuel Type (Diesel, Petrol, LPG)	
Engine Number	
Chassis Number	
Number of fixed passenger seats	

VEHICLE DOCUMENTS

Nature of Insurance and Date of Renewal	
M.O.T. Certificate Number	
Date and place of M.O.T. Test	

TAXIMETER

Make and type of taximeter	
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I/WE DECLARE that the above particulars are correct in every respect, I AM/WE are the sole proprietor(s) of the said vehicle and I AM/WE are the sole person(s) concerned in keeping, employing or letting for hire of the said vehicle.

1. Signature Signature
Date: Date:

If you knowingly or recklessly make a false statement or omit any material information from this application you may be committing a criminal offence punishable on conviction by a fine of up to £400.

All cheques should be made payable to Wrexham Council.

This form should be completed and returned, in person, to the Licensing Section, Environment Department Transport Depot, Abbey Road, Wrexham Industrial Estate.

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HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

1. The vehicle must be purpose built for use as a Hackney Carriage and be approved by the Chief Housing and Public Protection Officer.
2. All Hackney Carriage Vehicles within the County Borough must be capable of transporting Disabled People in their wheelchairs.
3. The vehicle must not be more than 10 years old. (On new / first applications)
4. Vehicles must be presented for inspection in a clean and roadworthy condition and must be free from any rust.
5. No vehicle must be submitted for inspection with any accident damage and the Council must be informed of accident damage whilst the vehicle is licensed.
6. The vehicle must be right hand drive.
7. The minimum acceptable width of seat section per person is 17”.
8. The vehicle and all its fittings and equipment must be in an efficient, safe, tidy and clean condition and must comply with all relevant statutory requirements, including in particular those contained in Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations.
9. The seats in the vehicle must be properly cushioned or covered and free from damage.
10. The floor of the vehicle must be provided with a proper carpet or other suitable covering.
11. There must be adequate space within the vehicle for the carrying of passengers’ luggage and this space must be clean and tidy and water tight. A roof rack must not be fitted.
12.
 - i) The vehicle must be fitted with an efficient dry powder variety fire extinguisher of a minimum weight of 1 Kg. The extinguisher shall be securely fixed in a position so as not to interfere with the control of the vehicle and so as not to be tampered with by a member of the public.
 - ii) The Fire Extinguisher must be regularly serviced by a competent person to ensure the gauge reads serviceable at all times.
13. The vehicle must be equipped with a first aid box containing :
 - i) six individually wrapped sterile adhesive dressings (plasters)
 - ii) one large sterile unmedicated dressing
 - iii) two triangular bandages
 - iv) two safety pins
 - v) individually wrapped moist cleaning wipesshall be carried in the vehicle at all times securely fixed in the boot of the vehicle for use in case of emergency. There shall be no obligation on the Driver to administer first aid treatment.
14. The vehicle must be equipped with sufficient tools and equipment to enable damaged or punctured tyres to be quickly replaced.

15. a) The meter for recording fares fitted in the vehicle must be in such a position as not to be visible from the outside of the vehicle but clearly visible to passengers.
b) Taximeters must display appropriate “CE” or “M” marks and have provision to accommodate the Wrexham County Borough Council Approval Seal.
16. If the vehicle is currently licensed by the Council as a hackney carriage the licence plate issued by the Council must be securely fixed externally to the rear of the vehicle in a conspicuous position and in such a manner as to be removable.
17. No signs, notices, advertisements, plates, marks, numbers, letters, figures, symbols, emblems or devices whatsoever should be displayed on, or from the vehicles except as may be required by any statutory provision, byelaws or permitted or required by any condition of a hackney carriage licence issued by the Council in respect of the vehicle.
18. If the vehicle is currently licensed by the Council for hackney carriage the number of the licence and the number of passengers permitted by the licence to be carried in the vehicle must be clearly marked inside the vehicle as to be visible at all times to passengers carried in the vehicle.
19. There must be in force, in relation to the vehicle, a policy of insurance or such security as complies with the requirements of Part VI of the Road Traffic Act, 1972.
20. There must be in force, in relation to the vehicle, a valid MOT test certificate (if appropriate) and a current road fund licence.
21. Hackney Carriage Vehicles may be of any colour supplied by the vehicle manufacturer. Applications for any other colours will be referred to the Environmental Licensing Committee.
22. Advertising – The Chief Housing and Public Protection Officer in consultation with the Chair and Vice – Chair of the Committee are authorised to approve each advertisement to be displayed on Wrexham Hackney Carriages.

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HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLES APPROVED TYPES

Hackney Carriage Vehicle Requirement No.1 States :

“The vehicle must be purpose built for use as a hackney carriage and be approved by the Chief Housing and Public Protection Officer.”

The vehicle must also have Type Approval (European Whole Type Approval incorporating M1 Crash Test) as a factory / purpose built hackney carriage. Low Volume Type Approvals will not be considered.

ONLY THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES ARE APPROVED :

AUSTIN FX4 TAXI / FAIRWAY TAXI

METROCABS TAXI

LONDON TAXIS INTERNATIONAL (LTI) TXI / TXII / TX4

PEUGEOT EXPERT - EURO 7 TAXI / EURO 7 SE TAXI

CITROEN DISPATCH / PEUGEOT EXPERT - “LE CAB NOIR”

MINIBUS / PEOPLE CARRIER / VAN CONVERSIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE REQUIREMENT NO. 6 STATES :

“The vehicle must not be of such type, design or appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a hackney carriage.” Austin FX4 (London Cab), Peugeot Expert / Tepee / Euro Taxi, Fiat Scudo, Citroen Dispatch etc type vehicles will not be acceptable (as Private Hire Vehicles).

This excludes vehicles similar in appearance to Hackney Carriage Vehicles from being licenced as Private Hire Vehicles i.e. Peugeot Expert / Tepee / Euro Taxi / Euro Bus / Euro Shuttle/ Expert, Fiat Scudo / Urban Bus, Citroen Dispatch etc.

This also excludes vehicles similar in appearance to Private Hire Vehicles from being licenced as Hackney Carriage Vehicles i.e. Cars, Minibuses, People Carriers etc.

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