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# Road Safety Week 23-29 November



<http://www.roadsafetyweek.org/>

## Not a drop, Not a drag - Stay Sober, Save Lives

**Given that there have been so** many awareness-raising campaigns about the dangers of drink driving, it is a scandal that some people still drink and drive, both after drinking and also the morning after drinking, and the deaths continue. It is equally scandalous that some drivers drive after taking illegal drugs. Illegal drugs can stay in your system for weeks or even months - it just isn't possible to have driving and illegal drugs in your life at the same time.

In Road Safety Week 09, Brake is calling on all drivers to commit to not drink even a drop of alcohol before driving, nor take even a drag on a joint or any other illegal drug.

At least 15,935 people in the UK were killed or hurt by drink and drug-drivers in 2007. That's:

- ➔ 1,328 people every month
- ➔ 306 people every week
- ➔ 44 people every day
- ➔ 2 people every hour

In fact, one in six deaths on our roads are caused by drivers over the legal alcohol limit. In the UK, 478 people were killed by drivers over the drink-drive limit in 2007



Although accurate drug-driving figures aren't available, research by TRL, the Transport Research Laboratory, suggests that similar numbers of deaths may be due to illegal drug drivers. Researchers at TRL found that 17% of drivers who die in road crashes (almost one in

five) have traces of illegal drugs in their system that may have affected their driving.

TRL also found that almost 6% of drivers (one in 17 drivers) who die in road crashes have traces of medicinal drugs that may have affected their driving.

### Drug driving - the facts

The different ways that drugs can affect a driver's behaviour and body include:

- slower reaction times
- poor concentration
- sleepiness/fatigue
- confused thinking
- distorted perception
- over-confidence

How is your driving likely to be affected if you drive after taking some of the most common illegal drugs:

#### Cannabis

You have slow reaction times and struggle to do two tasks at once (like change gear and steer straight). Combining cannabis with alcohol magnifies its effect. Cannabis strengths vary wildly. Even one spliff can affect you for up to four hours.

#### Ecstasy

On ecstasy you have blurred vision and can't judge distance or speed. You might suffer extreme emotions that are lethal behind the wheel, like anxiety and paranoia. The effects of ecstasy can last 12 hours, but tiredness from being up all night can affect you for days.

#### Cocaine

You'll probably think you're the best driver on the road - but you are erratic, likely to take risks, may suffer from paranoia, and even hallucinate. Combining cocaine and alcohol can be lethal behind the wheel. Intense effects of cocaine last about an hour, but after-effects can last much longer.

#### Speed

Amphetamines make you over-excited, restless and can lead to risk-taking. You may experience strong emotions like fear, panic and aggression. You may get dizzy or collapse. The effects can last more than four hours.

#### LSD

You are likely to suffer from hallucinations, delusions, dizziness, nausea, blurred vision, poor control and confused thinking - a killer combination.

#### Heroin

You are sluggish, sleepy and unable to control a vehicle. Strong effects can last for 24 hours.

## Drink driving - the facts

If you drive at twice the legal alcohol limit you are at least 30 times more likely to cause a road crash than a driver who hasn't been drinking.

Your reaction times are slower after just one drink. You can't judge speed or distances accurately, you're over-confident and you make bad decisions. It's impossible to calculate exactly how much alcohol is in your system or whether you're over the drink-drive limit.

The speed at which alcohol is absorbed into your system (and how quickly your system gets rid of it) depends on a large number of factors, including your sex, weight, metabolism, health and when you last ate.

You may still be over the limit the morning after - nearly one in six convicted drink-drivers are caught the morning after.

Women are much less likely than men to be involved in drink drive crashes as drivers. However, nearly a third of the total casualties in drink drive crashes are women.

- Never drink any amount of alcohol if you're driving
- Never drink if you're driving early the next morning
- Take responsibility for others and never buy a drink for someone who is driving
- Tell your employer immediately (and in confidence) if you catch a colleague drink-driving, for their own safety and that of other road users



## Getting caught drink or drug driving

**If you kill someone after drink or drug driving**, you could go to prison for 14 years for the offence of causing death by careless driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Even if you don't kill someone but are caught, you could face six months in prison, a one year ban and a £5,000 fine.

In addition, Leeds City Council licence holders will not be eligible to reapply for a Hackney Carriage or Private Hire drivers licence until 6 months after their DVLA licence has been returned.

And if you think you won't get caught, think again. More than half a million breath tests for alcohol are carried out each year and the

police can test you for drugs at the roadside and again at the station. Some drugs can still be traced in your system more than a month after you took them, depending on various factors. ■

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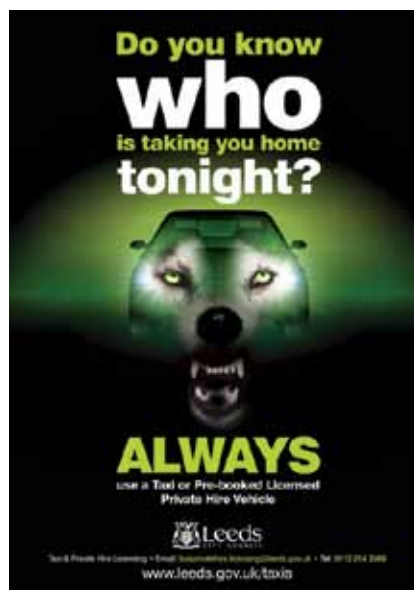
## Do you know who is taking you home tonight?

**Enforcement Officers from the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section** recently attended this year's Intro Week at Leeds University to give new students to the city key safety advice.

The event took place over 4 days at the end of September and saw Officers explaining to students the difference between Hackney Carriages and Private Hire and, amongst other things, the importance of always pre-booking Private Hire vehicles.

The general public will be seeing more of the 'Do you know who is taking you home tonight?' campaign in the lead up to Christmas.

Remember, unlawfully plying for hire? Don't do it - you are likely to lose your licence, your livelihood and end up with significant costs awarded against you.



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### Key Points of the Plying for Hire Policy

- Where a driver is found to be plying for hire with evidence that supports a criminal prosecution, that driver will normally be suspended and immediate consideration given to the revocation of their licence
- Where a driver's licence has been successfully revoked or not renewed, that driver will, normally, not be granted a further licence for 1 year
- This would also apply where there is an existing conviction or formal caution for this type of offence, wherever it occurred, when an application for a new licence is received
- In the event of a second such incident, the driver or applicant would normally not have a licence granted for 3 years ■

# Switching off the engine can help you breath easy

**As part of Leeds City Council's** efforts to improve air quality throughout the city, bus, taxi and fleet drivers are being asked to switch off their vehicles' engines when parked – especially when waiting or loading.

Switching off idling engines helps to reduce air pollution but also saves businesses money in these economically turbulent times by making worthwhile improvements to fuel consumption.

Air pollution can seriously affect the health of many people – particularly those with breathing difficulties. Switching off an engine can prevent high pollution levels where vehicles are parked and

help reduce the background levels that exist across the city when the pollution from all other sources are mixed together. And less fuel use reduces a vehicle's 'carbon footprint' and in a very small way can help to tackle climate change.

But the biggest difference they may notice is the saving on fuel costs, which at the moment can help businesses fighting to reduce costs during the recession.

For further information phone 0113 222 4406 or email [env.health@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:env.health@leeds.gov.uk)

Councillor James Monaghan, Leeds City Council's executive board member for environmental services, said:

"Poor air quality affects us all, but there are simple things people can do to help – turning off idling engines is just one of them.

With their vehicles running and we're asking them to get into the habit of turning their engines off – saving them money, improving air quality and helping to protect the environment." ■



# Private Hire Knowledge Test Results

**We will be making a regular feature of the** Private Hire driver training seminar results which have now been running for eight months.

<b>Actual Volume</b>	<b>No. of attendees</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Fail</b>
	<b>462</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>239</b>
<b>%</b>		<b>48%</b>	<b>52%</b>

As previously reported, the Knowledge Test has a pass mark of 90% for each module which cover the following areas;

1. Knowledge of Legislation and Conditions
2. Districts of Leeds
3. City Centre Locations
4. A to Z Questions

Results to the end of September show us that each module has the following failure rate:

- 31% Conditions
- 28% District of Leeds
- 28% City Centre
- 28% A – Z Questions

Private Hire Operators please encourage all prospective drivers to study the material they receive at the time of application. As the results show, applicants cannot just turn up on the day and hope for the best. The test really does ensure drivers know their Conditions and the Leeds District. ■

## NVQ/VRQ Funding

**In the Summer issue of the** Licensing Leeds newsletter we reported that licence holders should act quickly to take advantage of the Train to Gain funding.

Many drivers have now contacted the training providers known to be delivering the qualifications and have been told, in the main, that funding is no longer available. This is as a result of the Learning Skills Council (Yorkshire and the Humber) re-prioritising the Train to Gain funding for 2009/10 to address 3 key priorities;

1. **Response to Redundancy:** the Learning Skills Council has directed funding in Yorkshire & the Humber to deliver training for unemployed adults or adults at risk of redundancy.
2. **Brokerage referrals and Sector Compacts:** the Learning Skills Council want training providers to respond to and meet the needs of employers and learners referred from Brokers i.e. Business Link Yorkshire.
3. **Economically valuable qualifications:** the Learning Skills Council is prioritising the most economically valuable qualifications it wishes to buy from providers and does not regard the continued funding of self-employed Taxi and Private Hire Drivers through Train to Gain as a priority for the use of Train to Gain funding.

# NVQ

Please be assured that we are investigating all avenues to ensure that licence holders and new applicants alike can achieve the NVQ Level 2 in Road Passenger Vehicle Driving (Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles) and the VRQ Level 2 Certificate in Road Passenger Transport at the lowest possible cost. These qualifications remain mandatory.

We will keep you informed of all developments and would like to reassure licence holders that renewals will not be adversely affected as a result of the loss of fully funded places.

PDM Training and Consultancy Ltd is one training provider who has confirmed they still have fully funded places available... but these places are limited so call them now!

Contact:  
Katie Fielding  
01264 321348

Your details will be taken & their Regional Contracts Manager will contact you to arrange an induction.

[www.pdmtc.co.uk](http://www.pdmtc.co.uk) ■



# Introducing....

**Meet the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section's newest members;** Mark Heap and Joanna Mingham.

- Mark joins us as a Principle Enforcement Officer and brings with him a wealth of experience having served as a Police Officer for the best part of 21 years;
- ➔ 14 years with West Yorkshire Police (Gipton, Killingbeck, Garforth & Millgarth) as a Constable and Acting Sergeant
  - ➔ 5 years with the British Transport Police, working in Leeds as a Sergeant
  - ➔ 13 months with the South Australia Police as a Senior Constable

Mark returned from Australia to the wintry climes of Leeds earlier this year, for family reasons; joining the Section in August 2009 and hopes to contribute to maintaining a first class service to both the travelling public of Leeds and the licensed trade by proactive Enforcement activity.

Joanna joins the Section as a Service Development Officer, primarily focussed on enhancing and developing the current training

*Joanna Mingham,  
Service Development Officer*

packages for new applicants and existing licence holders. Joanna has plenty of experience in this area of work - she is a qualified English teacher - and prior to joining us worked as an ESOL (English Speakers of Other Languages) Co-ordinator. The role involved the writing and delivering of ESOL/ Employability courses and introducing accreditation programmes and assessment procedures.

Joanna also has experience as a family tutor, working with fathers to support children's progress through the education system, with the aim of reducing offending by building closer family links and supporting vulnerable families.

Joanna joined us in July 2009 and is looking forward to the challenges ahead.

In addition to Mark and Joanna, most of the trade already know David Cowley who has worked here for a good few years!

David was appointed to the position of Principal Enforcement Officer in August and is now working alongside Mark and our Enforcement Team.

Congratulations to David and a warm welcome to both Mark and Joanna all three are great assets to the team here at 225 York Road! ■



*Mark Heap & Dave Cowley,  
Principal Enforcement Officers*

## Some FAQs

**Have you ever been frustrated** trying to get through to us on the phone to ask a simple question? Stood in the queue only to be told you hadn't got the correct documents?

We know it is sometimes difficult to contact us as we are a very, very busy Section; here is a list of the questions we frequently get asked with answers which may remove the need for you to call us:

### In General

*Can we download application forms from the internet?*

Not at the moment although this is something we are looking into for the future. Application forms can be obtained in person from the Licensing Office or request one by

telephone or by email and we will send them through the post. Our contact details can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

*Can I report an accident or points on my licence over phone?*

No, you must come into the Licensing Office within 72 hours of the incident and fill in an accident report form.

*Opening hours - why are the doors often shut before 3.30pm?*

The last person is served at 3.30 so we close the doors to make sure everyone who has stood in the queue is seen by a Licensing Officer.

*Why can I never get through on the phone?*

Unfortunately, there is only one phone line and one person to answer it. If the line is engaged

when you try to call us, it means we are busy dealing with someone else's enquiry. If it rings out the telephonist will be busy doing something away from the phone, often in relation to the previous call, so please try again later. We are urgently reviewing our current telephony system and hope to have some good news to report in the future.



### *Why is the website so confusing and hard to find?*

Our web pages have to conform to strict guidelines set out by Leeds City Council.

Try typing [www.leeds.gov.uk/taxis](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/taxis) into your browser. This should take you to our home page and links to other sections of the webpage can be found at the bottom of that page. If you have any suggestions as to what information you would like to see on here, please email us using the address on the back page of this newsletter.

### *Is the Licensing Office open on a weekend?*

No, the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section currently work to a 37hour week, Monday to Friday.

### *The Section is so busy but staff don't seem to be working – they are just walking around?*

Licensing Officers also have administration duties to perform as a result of their counter work. We do try to schedule this into quieter times to give people in the queue a priority but this is not always possible.

## **Licence Renewals**

### *Can I renew a licence over the phone and pay by phone using my debit card?*

No, the licence holder must attend in person with their correct documents and fee.

### *Can I send someone else to renew my badge?*

No, renewals must be done in person by the licence holder.

### *Can someone else renew my vehicle on my behalf?*

Yes, providing the correct forms have been completed, signed by the vehicle owner and they have all the correct documents with them.

### *Can I renew my licence after its expiry date?*

No, there is no such thing as a late renewal. If you haven't renewed by the last day of the month you may need to undergo the application process again.

### *What do I do if I haven't renewed on time?*

As above, there is no such thing

as a late renewal. If you haven't renewed on time you will have to write to the Licensing Manager explaining the reason why and he will contact you to explain your options.

### *Can I renew my licence early?*

Yes but only 1 month early e.g. if your licence expires at the end of December, the earliest day you could renew would be the 1st November.

### *What if don't have all of the documents required?*

You won't be able to renew; the Licensing Officers will ask you to come into the office again with all the correct documentation.

### *What do I do if I have sent my licence to DVLA and my badge is up for renewal?*

Go to a local solicitor and get a signed declaration to confirm you have no further convictions etc.

### *Why is the date for renewals on the renewal form random i.e. 9th or 19th when renewals are due at the end of the month?*

This is because we do not want a never ending queue for renewals on the last day of the month; we try to stagger renewals to avoid this.

### *Why should renewal forms be stamped by the Operator when the badge states who we work for?*

This is to confirm that you still work for that particular Operator. There have been many instances where drivers have switched Operators without telling us.



### *Can I get my Group II Medical done at any GP?*

No. This is because your own doctor knows your medical history and has access to your medical records so is best placed to carry out the examination. However, if for any reason your own GP cannot undertake the medical, a letter should be provided for you to attend another GP's surgery. We will retain a copy of this for our records.

If you have any problems or

questions about your badge or vehicle renewal contact the Licensing Office as soon as possible, don't leave it until the last minute or you may have trouble renewing.

## **Vehicles**

### *Can someone else bring my vehicle in for inspection?*

Yes, as long as that person is a badge holder and they are insured to drive that vehicle and they bring along the relevant documentation.

### *Can I purchase a Hackney Carriage vehicle plate?*

Leeds is currently limited to 537 Hackney Carriages, although existing Proprietors are able to transfer ownership of their plate to a new Proprietor. There is a strict procedure in place for this, please contact the Licensing Office if you require further information.

### *Can I take my vehicle anywhere for MOT?*

Yes you can arrange for an MOT to be undertaken at any VOSA approved Testing Station.

### *Why does my vehicle have to be inspected by you even though it has an MOT?*

Our Vehicle Examiners randomly test vehicles to ensure they are fit for use as a Private Hire vehicle; a normal MOT certificate states "a test certificate is not evidence that the vehicle is in satisfactory condition".

### *What do I do if I no longer want to use a vehicle for Private Hire?*

Come in to the Licensing Office, we have a form that you will need to complete, and return your licence disc and stickers.

### *I've received a letter asking me to bring my vehicle in for inspection at short notice, can I change the date?*

Yes, you can change the date but please note: your vehicle may be suspended until the inspection is carried out. You must also give us at least 24 hours notice to avoid a non attendance fee of £30.

### *Can my wife drive my Private Hire vehicle?*

Not unless she is a Private Hire driver who is insured to drive the vehicle.

*Can I bring in a fax/ photocopy of my insurance documents to get my vehicle plated/ renewed?*

No, we only accept original documents.

### **Applications**

*Why do I have to wait so long to submit my application?*

The Licensing Office only offer morning appointments and all slots fill up very quickly. Many applicants do not give advance notice of cancellations so we are unable to re-allocate their spaces.

*Why do I need to have a non-UK certificate?*

This was introduced in May 2008 as applicants have to be able to prove they have no convictions in their country of birth. Without this, the application will not proceed.

*Can I have a CRB done somewhere else?*

No, new applicants must undertake an enhanced disclosure at the time of application.

*Can you send me CRB form - it's not in pack?*

A CRB form is provided at the time of submitting your application - that is why we need your documentation i.e. proof of address, NI card, photo ID etc.

*Can I change the date of my Thomas Danby test/ Local Knowledge test?*

Yes but please be aware that your application is only valid for one year and any delays in taking the tests could result in your application expiring before the tests have been completed. We must have 72 hours notice to cancel or fees will be incurred

for no show or last minute cancellations.

*When will my badge be ready?*

As soon as all documentation in your file is complete and your CRB check is clear. You will be contacted by the Licensing Office to come and collect it as soon as it is ready. ■



## By the time you read this our building works should be drawing to a close!

**So, the story so far... the new extension was completed and handed over for use at the beginning of September and our Licensing Officers moved onto their new counters, the Licensing Supervisors got their new desks and the rest of us moved into temporary desks whilst the remainder of the building was remodelled. Only the Vehicle Examiners remained in their usual place of work as the Enforcement Team were moved into a portacabin!**

There was further disruption to our service at the beginning of October when two all-singing,

all-dancing filing cabinets were installed. This meant we were closed for business for three days but it will make great efficiencies for all Officers when searching for and replacing files.

The last piece of work for our builders was the remodelling of the original building which should be fully operational by the beginning of December. By the time you read this article, we will have extra counters for vehicle enquiries, a waiting area for you whilst your vehicles are inspected... with a viewing area so you can keep an eye on your car and our Examiners!

We will also be installing TV

screens to keep you abreast of all the news coming out of the Section as well as showing both the local and national news. You might still have to queue but you'll have something more interesting to watch than the back of the head of the person in front of you!

So, all in all, it's been a long six months or so! In the given circumstances we aimed to ensure that we offered the best possible service, which have been both messy and disruptive for us to work in but Officers have made the best of the situation and worked very hard to keep disruption to a minimum.

Thank you all for your patience and understanding and we hope you find it a much pleasanter experience when visiting us in future. ■



*The Licensing Office during construction...*



*...and after. More photos in the next issue.*



# Congratulations!

Huge congratulations to Claire Bayliss-Mills our telephonist who got married at the end of August. Claire was delivered to the ceremony in style by one of Leeds' very own Hackney Carriages!



Claire Bayliss-Mills (now Marshall) on her way to get hitched!

## Staff Awards

### The Taxi and Private Hire

Licensing Section recently received, and subsequently won, the following nomination for the Transport award at the annual Legal, Licensing and Registration awards: -

*"The team has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of the licensed fleet of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicles. Whether it be putting proposals for changes in*

*Conditions to Elected Members for approval, addressing complaints by the public or devising policies on driver safety aids such as in-car safety shields, they never lose sight of how important a good licensed fleet is to the residents of, and visitors to, Leeds."*

The Section will now be put forward to be considered for the overall award for Leeds City Council in the finals later this year. ■

Martyn Johnson, Licensing Manager, is presented with the award by Stuart Turnock, Chief Legal Officer ↓



The Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Team



# Moves to tackle City Centre congestion

**In September, the Yorkshire Evening Post** published an article regarding the congestion problems in the City Centre. In response to this, Leeds City Council outlined the steps officers in Highways are hoping to take to increase rank provision in the City Centre and the ongoing enforcement measures:



**Leeds City Council is introducing a number of new measures to tackle traffic congestion caused by queuing Taxis in the City Centre.**

The Council is looking at creating new Taxi ranks to create more areas for Taxis to queue and Officers are working with the Police and bus company, Metro, to step up enforcement activities. Fines will be issued to drivers who stop at green lights, park on double yellow lines and block the Headrow. In the future, regular offenders may have their Taxi licences suspended.

The move follows high numbers of complaints about queuing Taxis at various sites in the City Centre causing traffic chaos by blocking buses and other drivers. The problem is particularly bad during the peak rush hour and along the Headrow and is believed to be caused by a lack of waiting areas for Taxis to pick up passengers at the station and the removal of the rank at Leeds Bradford International Airport.

Councillor Richard Brett, Leader of Leeds City Council and executive member for Taxi Licensing, said:

*"This is a huge problem affecting a lot of people and cannot be allowed to continue.*

*We are seeking to provide additional ranks, permanent or temporary at Meadow Lane and Lower Briggate to help the situation and we hope to have these in place by the end of October.*

*However, while we do understand the Taxi drivers' situation and are keen for them to work with us to find a solution, they also need to know that we are stepping up enforcement activities. Traffic enforcement work is being targeted at problem areas and offenders who flout traffic regulations will be fined.*

*We have asked Officers to take further enforcement proposals, which could involve repeat offenders seeing their licences suspended, to the Council's Licensing and Regulatory Panel for their consideration and approval.*

*We will continue to work closely with Metro and West Yorkshire Police to resolve this problem."*



As referred to in the press release, the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section has been asked by Councillor Carter (Leader of the Council) to consider any further measures that can be taken against drivers who continue to break road traffic regulations, including consideration of the suspension of their Hackney Carriage or Private Hire drivers' licences. Consultation will be undertaken with the licensed trade prior to any proposals being discussed at the Licensing and Regulatory Panel so that your views can be taken into consideration.

We will be contacting the trade with further information and details on how you can submit your views.

At the time of going to press two new ranks have been made available at Meadow Lane and Lower Briggate. ■

# Third party Hate Crime reporting – more choice available for victims

**Hate Crime reporting is now more accessible than ever**, thanks to Stop Hate UK's new and independent reporting systems.

From November 2009, victims and witnesses will be able to report by text, web-chat, email and online at [www.stophateuk.org](http://www.stophateuk.org), giving even more choice on how to report Hate Crime, and get the support they need.

Over 3,000 people have called Stop Hate UK's 24-hour Stop Hate Line since it launched in 2006. Currently 1 in 8 of the UK population can access independent Hate Crime reporting and support 24-hours a day, every day.

Stop Hate UK work closely with the Police and other agencies in areas where the helpline is commissioned, to bring reassurance to individuals and communities. Regular campaigns by Stop Hate

**STOP HATE CRIME**  
**0800 138 1625**  
**24 HOUR HELP LINE**  
**Text Relay 18001 0800 138 1625**

UK help to raise awareness of each of the Hate Crime strands, such as a recent Disability Hate Crime campaign.

Training for adults and young people about Stop and Search, and Police Scrutiny Panels, has been

delivered by Stop Hate UK following commissioning by two Police forces this year. In 2010, we will enter our fifteenth year of providing support to individuals and communities affected by Hate Crime.

Stop Hate UK is an independent national charity that raises awareness and understanding of Hate Crime, and supports the individuals and communities it affects. Our 24-hour reporting helpline and text services enable victims and witnesses to access independent support when they need it, and remain anonymous if they wish.

Stop Hate UK  
[info@stophateuk.org](mailto:info@stophateuk.org)  
Head Office: 0113 293 5100  
Head Office Text Relay:  
18001 0113 293 5100 ■



**You're not alone**

**Hate crime affects 3 out of 4 people with mental health problems**

**Don't suffer harassment or intimidation alone.**

**We can help.**

**STOP HATE CRIME**  
**0800 138 1625**  
**24 HOUR HELP LINE**

**STOP HATE UK**  
www.stophateuk.org  
Reg Charity: 1062692

Hands up for not living in fear

Disability Gender Identity Race Religion Sexual Orientation



## Chip and Pin

**Don't forget you can now** use your debit card to pay your licence fees etc using our chip and pin facilities. ■

# Vehicle Inspection Results

**Our Vehicle Examiners are** currently carrying out inspections of vehicles first registered between 01 September 2005 and 31 August 2006.

To the end of September, 325 vehicles have been requested to attend for inspection, with 297 (91.3%) of these actually attending. Please find the results,

broken down between Hackney Carriages and Private Hire vehicles, detailed below:

Hackney Carriage Vehicles							
	Vehicles Required to Attend	Passed Test	Failed Test	Vehicle Suspended	Licence Revoked	Licence Surrendered	Failed to Attend
Actual Volume	44	24	9	6	0	0	5
%		54.5%	20.5%	13.6%	0%	0%	11.4%

*Attended at a later date (Vehicles that failed to attend on first request)*

	Vehicles Required to Attend	Passed Test	Failed Test	Vehicle Suspended	Licence Revoked	Licence Surrendered	Failed to Attend
Actual Volume	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
%		50.0%	50.0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Private Hire Vehicles							
	Vehicles Required to Attend	Passed Test	Failed Test	Vehicle Suspended	Licence Revoked	Licence Surrendered	Failed to Attend
Actual Volume	281	141	79	14	0	1	45
%		50.2%	28.1%	5%	0%	0.4%	16.0%

*Attended at a later date (Vehicles that failed to attend on first request)*

	Vehicles Required to Attend	Passed Test	Failed Test	Vehicle Suspended	Licence Revoked	Licence Surrendered	Failed to Attend
Actual Volume	18	10	5	3	0	0	0
%		55.6%	27.8%	16.7%	0%	0%	0%

A full analysis of the vehicles in this age will be published in the Winter newsletter once all inspections have been completed. ■



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Staff Training: 2nd Tuesday in every month 08:00-10:00