## VEHICLE SAFETY REPORT

## GUIDELINES

- 1. No hole or tear of metal or any metal or other items (e.g. trim) to be capable of injuring a pedestrian or passenger. This is to include doors, door panels (inside) etc.
- 2. The bodywork, partially or wholly to show no discoloration that is beyond normal ageing, for the vehicles age/mileage. It is not acceptable for panels to be of contrasting colour e.g. panels, door skins, bonnet, that are replacements by 'second hand' or primer coated.
- 3. All seats are to be secure. No movement will be allowed that compromises the safety and comfort of any passenger.
- 4. Depending on make/model all floor covering should be secure, tear/hole free and appropriate.
- 5. Not acceptable if any luggage/goods placed in boot/luggage area will be soiled.
- 6. Estate cars must be fitted with a securely fixed, suitable means of luggage restraint, to prevent luggage entering the passenger compartment.
- 7. All windows must be able be able to be wound down (to it's full extent) and up with ease, by the use of winders or by way of an electric mechanism.
- 8. Hackney (Taxis) must display a table of fares, which must be readily visible to passengers.
- 9. Speedometer and odometer must be working correctly and illuminated. All interior and passenger lights, where fitted should be operative.
- 10. All settings to work and de-mist. Air-conditioning must be in working order where fitted.
- 11. All pedal rubbers should be fitted, none should be excessively worn, or missing.
- 12. See terms and conditions for vehicle.
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- 18. Licence plate must be fitted to the rear of the vehicle as stated in the Councils terms and conditions (renewals only)

- 19. Roof signs only to be illuminated while the taxi meter is in the 'For Hire Mode' Light is not to show in the 'Hired' and 'Stopped' modes (Hackney Carriage, renewals only)
- 20. Details on taximeter should be recorded. There shall be no evidence of tampering to any seal fixed to the meter and all seals must be present.
- 21. Internal plate, securely fixed in a vertical position, as stated in the Councils terms and conditions. To ensure licence plate number and occupancy correspond with the number of passenger seats and rear licence plate details.
- 22. Vehicles fitted with a Liquid Petroleum Gas fuel system, produce an LPG conversion certificate or safety check report from an LPG Gas Association approved installer, at the time of testing.
- 23. Trailers must comply with the road vehicle lighting regulations and the road vehicle construction and use regulations. Trailers should be fitted with a water tight, lockable cover or door.
- 24. Signs must be fixed to both front doors, as stated in the Council's terms and conditions and show no signs of tamper, damage or weathering and positioned centrally to the upper/main panel of the door and no other lettering/livery shall interfere with the Council's sign, which shall be fixed securely in a readable position. The use of magnetic attachments is not permissible.). Any additional livery must not be above 12" measured from the bottom of the door, and in any case must not protrude higher than the bump bar strip fitted to the door, this area will be regarded as the lower panel of the door. (renewals only
- 25. Any other defect, which in the opinion of the examiner would cause injury or discomfort to members of the public or occupants of the vehicle.
- 26. Please state if the vehicle has been subjected to a road test, if yes please state any concerns.

## Guidance Note

Should the tester have any concerns with regards to the mechanical condition or the condition with regards to passenger safety and comfort, or if the tester has any reason to believe that the vehicle is not subject to regular servicing and maintenance, please contact the Licensing Officer who will, where necessary inspect the vehicle without delay.