

PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE AND DRIVER LICENSING CONDITIONS

Introduction

1. Thurrock Council aims to ensure that a private hire service of a good standard is provided within its district. To this end it has a set of conditions that, in addition to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and other relevant Acts, regulates the private hire service. A District Council may attach to the grant of a private hire vehicle licence such conditions as it may consider reasonably necessary

All relevant information will be taken into account when consideration is given to an application for a private hire vehicle, driver's or operator's licence. Whilst an application for a licence should conform to the licensing conditions and the Council's policies or guidelines, each individual application will be considered on its own merits. Should an application be refused the applicant has a right of appeal, in writing, within 21 days, to the Magistrates' Court.

Thurrock Council may, at its discretion, waive, alter or add to any of the conditions, standards or requirements.

A private hire vehicle licence issued upon application shall be valid for no more than one year from the date of issue.

Private Hire Vehicles

2. (a) All private hire vehicles must be in satisfactory mechanical order and body condition. The vehicle must conform to all current legislation and be certified to European Whole Vehicle, UK M1 or Low Volume Type Approval (LVTA) standards. The vehicle must be a right-hand drive saloon, hatchback or estate vehicle, a minibus or multi-purpose vehicle, with eight or less passenger seats. It must not be of such a design and/or appearance that it would lead any person to believe that it is a hackney carriage. It must be unaltered from the manufacturer's specification. The inside and outside of a private hire vehicle shall be clean and free from damage, well maintained and in every way fit for public service.
- (b) Thurrock Council reserves the right to examine any vehicle before the grant of a private hire vehicle licence in order to ascertain that it conforms to all current legislation, licensing criteria and licensing conditions. Such examination will not be a guarantee that a grant of licence will be made.

3. In addition the vehicle must have:
- (a) accommodation for not less than four passengers;
 - (b) a minimum of four doors, each adjacent to and allowing access to and from the seats;
 - (c) rear seat accommodation for not less than three persons;
 - (d) separate front seats;
 - (e) seats with a minimum width of 16½ inches (420mm) per person;
 - (f) Where a seat is of a 'flip-up' design and fitted as standard by the manufacturer, that width shall not be less than 16 inches (406 mm);

 - (g) appropriate seat belts for both front and rear seats. The number of seat belts fitted shall correspond with the number of passengers the vehicle is licensed to carry in forward facing seats, plus a belt for the driver;
 - (h) the capability to carry a wheelchair in a reasonable manner, folded if necessary;
 - (i) adequate facilities to carry a reasonable amount of luggage;
 - (j) an efficient fire extinguisher, marked with the plate number of the vehicle
readily available for use. **NB In the event of a vehicle fire your PRIORITY is to GET THE PASSENGERS OUT.**
 - (k) A first aid kit for the use of the driver equipped with those items specified in the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981.
4. (a) All vehicles when submitted for first licensing must be less than four years of age from date of first registration.
- (b) At the time of renewal of the vehicle licence the vehicle must be no more than seven years of age.

Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles

5. From 1 January 2009 an applicant seeking the grant of a private hire vehicle licence for a vehicle in which it is intended to carry passengers who are seated in a wheelchair must present a vehicle which, in addition to all other licensing conditions:
- (a) is certified to European Whole Vehicle, UK M1 or Low Volume Type Approval (LVTA) standards
 - (b) is of a make or type approved by Thurrock Council;
 - (c) has been inspected and found to be fit for that purpose;
 - (d) permits the loading and unloading of the wheelchair ONLY through the side doors (rear-loading vehicles will not be accepted for licensing);
 - (e) have properly mounted fittings for the safe securing of the wheelchair and any passenger seated therein when carried in the vehicle.

6.
 - (a) An applicant for the grant of a licence for a wheelchair accessible vehicle must produce a valid Passenger Assistant Training Scheme (PATS) certificate, an equivalent or higher certificate.
 - (b) The proprietor must also show that the vehicle will only be driven by persons holding a valid PATS (or equivalent) certificate.
 - (c) A valid PATS (or equivalent) certificate must be produced covering the proprietor and any drivers of the vehicle, at each renewal of the vehicle licence.

Documentation

7. An applicant for a vehicle licence shall produce the following documents prior to the issue of the licence. All documentation must be current at the time the licence commences.
 - (a) An insurance certificate or cover note that expressly indicates cover for private hire and reward. This may be produced after the vehicle has satisfactorily passed its first inspection. The private hire vehicle licence and plate WILL NOT be issued until current hire and reward insurance has been produced.
 - (b) A valid test certificate.
 - (c) Proof of ownership by means of a bill of sale or hire purchase agreement.
 - (d) The vehicle registration document showing the current owner's name and address.
 - (e) A valid vehicle compliance certificate issued by a Thurrock Council approved testing garage, or other such certificate as may be required, from time to time, by Thurrock Council.

Vehicle Inspections

8. An applicant for a private hire vehicle licence and proprietors of licensed private hire vehicles shall submit the vehicle for mechanical and/or such other inspection as the Council may require.
 - (a) Vehicles submitted for test/inspection shall be in such a condition as to be suitable for inspection; clean inside and out and free from oil leaks and any other matter. Vehicles not meeting this condition will not be inspected. These vehicles will be treated as having failed to attend the inspection centre and be suspended until they pass a vehicle re-examination. In any such case, the proprietor shall be liable for any charges made by the examining garage.
 - (b) Vehicles that fail to attend for any inspection may be suspended immediately until such time as they attend and pass the inspection.

Minibuses and Multi-purpose Vehicles

9.
 - (a) Minibuses and multi-purpose vehicles of eight or less passenger seats, must be under four years of age from the date of first registration when submitted for licensing and not more than seven years of age at the time of renewal of the vehicle licence.
 - (b) Any seat adjacent to the nearside door of the passenger compartment must be removed, where necessary, to permit a clear and unobstructed entry to and exit from the back row seating of the compartment.
 - (c) No person entering or exiting should have to remove or dismantle any seat or other obstacle, or to climb over any person being carried in the vehicle, or have any other person leave their seat to facilitate them entering or exiting the vehicle.
 - (d) Any sliding offside door of the passenger compartment of a minibus or multi-passenger vehicle must be controlled by the driver of the vehicle to supervise the entry or exit of that door.

Tail Lifts

- (e) If a tail lift is fitted an annual weight test certificate, issued by an authorised tester, must be produced.
 - (f) The tail lift must not prevent the rear door(s) from being opened and it must be easily moved if the vehicle power supply fails.
10. In respect of classic or vintage vehicles and left hand drive vehicles of the class known as 'stretched limousines', the following conditions apply:
 - (a) That the vehicle is made or adapted to carry no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver.

- (b) That there be a maximum age limit of 10 years from the date of first registration of the vehicle. However, when the vehicle is first licensed the maximum age limit of ten years may be extended depending on the quality and condition of the vehicle.
- (c) That the vehicle be licensed to carry no more than eight passengers with a seat belt fitted for each passenger the vehicle is licensed to carry.
- (d) That the front nearside passenger seat be removed if its presence would increase the passenger seating capacity to more than eight.
- (e) That on licensing the vehicle will be issued with an exemption certificate from displaying the licensed private hire plate and door stickers under Section 75(3) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The private hire windscreen display card must be exhibited properly.
- (f) The vehicle must comply with the private hire vehicle licensing conditions in all other respects.
- (g) The fee for licensing the vehicle will remain the same as for all private hire vehicles.

Liquid Petroleum Gas

11. The following conditions apply to vehicles presented for licensing which are made or adapted to run on liquid petroleum gas (LPG). The vehicle must comply with all other private hire vehicle licensing conditions. A proprietor converting their licensed vehicle to run on LPG must notify the Council of such change and comply with the following conditions:
- (a) The installation of an LPG tank be undertaken by a Liquid Petroleum Gas Association (LPGA) approved installer, as recommended by the Liquid Petroleum Gas Association.
 - (b) The proprietor shall produce to the Council a certificate of compliance issued.
 - (c) The LPG tank fitted must be a multi-valve tank and be fitted with a sealed tank box made from aluminium and vented to the atmosphere.
 - (d) The vehicle must display on the front and rear windscreens a sticker stating that the vehicle has been fitted with an LPG tank for the purpose of alerting the emergency services in the event of an accident.
 - (e) If a doughnut tank is fitted in the spare wheel well of the boot, the spare wheel must be securely fixed in a position not obstructing the entire luggage space.
 - (f) The proprietor of the vehicle must notify the DVLA at Swansea of the change in fuel from petrol to both LPG and petrol.
 - (g) The vehicle must be serviced by a person competent in LPG powered vehicles.

12. Trailers

A licensed vehicle will be permitted to tow a trailer provided that:

- (a) The proprietor presents the trailer for inspection at an approved testing station prior to its first use and again at each inspection of any vehicle on which the trailer is authorised to be used.
- (b) The trailer must only be used on pre-booked journeys when excess luggage is to be carried and not for general use.
- (c) The trailer may be used with any licensed vehicle and that the trailer, vehicle and their towing fittings have been inspected and approved by an approved testing station.
- (d) The trailer complies with all aspects of current legislation and is of a type recommended by the vehicle manufacturer as being suitable for the intended towing vehicle.
- (e) The vehicle must be suitable for towing the intended trailer.
- (f) That the trailer be in good condition and no older than 10 years of age, of which proof of age must be provided.
- (g) The trailer must be purpose built and manufactured for the purpose of which it was intended.
- (h) The trailer must be plated by the manufacturer specifying the maximum load to be carried.
- (i) The trailer must be a braked trailer.
- (j) The trailer must comply with current lighting regulations.
- (k) No advertising will be permitted on any part of the trailer.
- (l) The trailer must be fitted with securely fastening covers, which can be hardtop or canvas tarpaulin type.
- (m) When the trailer is used with the licensed vehicle, the licence plate issued by the Council, specifically for that trailer, shall be clearly displayed on the trailer.
- (n) A spare wheel for the trailer must be carried whilst the trailer is in use.
- (o) The tow bar used must be of a type approved by the manufacturer of the vehicle and be fitted by an approved agent.
- (p) The vehicle must be insured to tow the trailer, of which proof of cover must be produced.
- (q) The proprietor of the vehicle will be liable for any charge by the testing station for the examination of the trailer.
- (r) Where a licensed vehicle has its emergency exit through the rear doors, the towing of trailer must not impede the use of those doors for the egress of passengers from the vehicle.
- (s) A licensed driver will be permitted to tow a trailer whilst driving a licensed vehicle, providing that he/she holds the appropriate category on his/her DVLA driving licence, which must be produced to the Council.

13 A private hire vehicle licence is valid for one year and must be renewed annually. An application for a licence must be made before the expiry of the preceding licence. Where an application is made after the preceding licence

has expired, it will be treated as if it were an initial application and the vehicle must meet all pre-licensing criteria, particularly as to age.

14.
 - (a) The licence plate bearing the vehicle licence number, date of expiry, vehicle registration number, vehicle colour and the number of passengers for which the vehicle is licensed shall be displayed in a vertical position and fixed firmly to the outside of the vehicle at the rear using the fixing bracket provided for that purpose. Where possible the licence plate should be fixed to the offside of the vehicle.
 - (b) The vehicle shall not be used to convey a greater number of passengers, irrespective of their ages, than is shown on the licence plate and licence.
 - (c) The licence plate identifying the vehicle as a private hire vehicle shall, at all times during the period that the licence is in force, be displayed in the appropriate manner.
 - (d) A driver shall not conceal the private hire plate from public view, nor deface it.
 - (e) The licence plate shall remain the property of Thurrock Council at all times and must be returned immediately if the vehicle ceases to be a licensed private hire vehicle, any detail of the vehicle is changed or if the vehicle licence is suspended or revoked by the Council.
 - (f) An adhesive sign bearing the words "Thurrock Council Licensed Private Hire Vehicle - This vehicle must be pre-booked" shall be permanently displayed on the upper door panel of each rear door of the vehicle.
15. If a private hire vehicle is fitted with a fare meter the driver shall, at the commencement of the journey, activate the meter so that the word "hired" is clearly visible and shall keep the meter operating until the termination of the hiring.

Commencement of the journey means:

- (a) when the hirer enters the vehicle;
- (b) when the driver has attended at an appointed place and has made himself known to the hirer . (See also Paragraph 41)
- (c) when the driver has presented himself at the appointed place and at the time specified by the hirer.

The mechanism of the fare meter shall not be tampered with or altered without lawful authority.

16. If a driver carries a hirer to a certain place and the hirer asks the driver to wait, the driver may ask for his fare for driving there and also ask for a deposit against the waiting time. After accepting such a deposit the driver shall not drive away without the consent of the hirer.
17. Once a private hire vehicle has been hired a driver shall not carry anyone else during the hire without the specific consent of the first hirer.
18. The driver shall not demand from any hirer of a private hire vehicle a fare greater than that agreed with the operator or, if the vehicle is fitted with a

taximeter and there has been no previous agreement as to the fare, the fare shown on the face of the taximeter.

19. The display of roof signs of any description or the display of the word "TAXI" or "CAB" whether in the singular or plural and whether alone or as part of another words or group of words, or the words "FOR HIRE" or any form of wording which in any way suggests that the vehicle on which it is displayed is presently available to take up any passengers wishing to hire it, or would be so available if not already hired, is prohibited.

Advertising

20. A proprietor of a private hire vehicle shall ensure that the display of advertising materials is restricted to the following:
 - (a) The trade name, address, telephone number and/or internet address of the circuit may be displayed on the front door panels of the vehicle and/or a maximum three inch depth advertising panel in the rear window, in a position not restricting rearward vision.
 - (b) Product advertising is permitted on the front door panels and rear bumper subject to the Council giving authority and retaining the right to request the removal of any particular advertisement which is felt to be unsuitable. Any advertisement on the front doors must not extend beyond the panels of either door.
 - (c) Product advertising on the rear bumper must be applied by a professional company and no reflective materials may be used.
 - (d) Wheelchair accessible vehicles may display the disability symbol of a maximum 10" (245mm) square on the wheelchair access door(s) only.
 - (e) Advertising material or decorative stickers on other parts of the vehicle are strictly prohibited.
 - (f) Internal advertising is permitted subject to approval by the Council and to it not being visible from outside of the vehicle.

Proprietor's Responsibilities

21. During the period of the licence, the holder shall be in direct control of the day to day running of vehicle.
22. The proprietor shall not permit the conveyance in his private hire vehicle, of any animal belonging to, or in the custody of, himself or the driver, or operator of the vehicle. At the driver's discretion any animal belonging to or in the custody of the hirer maybe conveyed in the vehicle. **(see para. 41 below)**

Documentation

23. (a) It shall be the responsibility of the proprietor of a private hire vehicle to produce proof of continuous test certificate and insurance cover in respect of hire and reward to the Licensing Authority within seven days of the expiry of the preceding certificate or cover note.
- (b) It shall be the responsibility of the private hire proprietor to produce the certificate of insurance or test certificate (where appropriate) to the operator under whose licence he accepts work.
- (c) The appropriate MoT test certificate and insurance documents covering the use of that vehicle and driver shall be produced within seven days when a requested the Licensing Authority.

General

24. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle other than a hackney carriage to wait on any stand for hackney carriages.
25. A licence holder, on changing his address, shall notify the Licensing Authority of such change within seven days.
26. Without prejudice to Section 25 Road Traffic Act 1972, the proprietor of any private hire vehicle shall report to the Licensing Office as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any case within 72 hours of the occurrence thereof, any accident causing damage to the said vehicle.
27. In the event that the vehicle fails an examination for serious body damage or mechanical defects, it shall be subject to immediate prohibition from use as a private hire vehicle, by written notice, until such time as the damage or defect has been corrected to the satisfaction of the Licensing Authority.
28. If the proprietor of a licensed private hire vehicle wishes to transfer his interest in the vehicle during the currency of the licence, he shall notify the Licensing Authority of such intention, giving details of the name and address of the person proposed. Both the proprietor and the proposed proprietor should make themselves available for interview by the Licensing Authority.
29. A private hire proprietor who makes provision for the acceptance of bookings for a private hire vehicle, by advertising a private telephone number and/or mobile number and accepts pre-booked fares, whether or not on a private hire circuit, requires a private hire operator's licence. This does not preclude a proprietor carrying the business cards of a properly licensed operator for whom he is working.

Applicants for a Private Hire Driver's Licence

30. In order that licensed drivers will be reliable and of a good standard, a person being considered for a driver's licence shall:
 - (a) be over 21 years of age and have held a full DVLA driving licence for at least three years;

- (b) bring the completed application form and fee to the Licensing Office in person for interview by the Licensing Officer. Any errors, omissions or incorrect statements of a serious nature may render the application unacceptable;
- (c) present their DVLA driving licence and birth certificate or passport.
- (d) complete and present in person a Criminal Record Bureau disclosure form, together with the relevant fee and any supporting, original documents that may be required;

Where an applicant has resided outside of the United Kingdom at any stage over the preceding five years, other than in the course of a short holiday, they must provide a certificate of good conduct certified as correct by the relevant Embassy or Consulate. If necessary a similarly certified copy

translated into English must also be provided. The supply of these documents to be at the expense of the applicant.

- (e) undergo a test of their knowledge of the streets and places of the Thurrock District and answer questions on the Highway Code, laws and conditions of the licence;
- (f) Submit themselves for an independent medical examination to DVLA Group 2 standards. Thurrock Council reserves the right to demand an independent medical examination and may direct at which clinic, hospital or surgery this will be undertaken. The cost of any medical examination will be borne by the applicant.
- (g) Undertake a course and obtain a certificate issued under the Passenger Assistant Training Scheme (PATS) of the Community Transport Association. This training to be at the expense of the candidate.

31. Private hire drivers are exempt from the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. Applicants MUST disclose all previous cautions and convictions whether they are 'spent' or not. When applying for a licence, regard should be had to the Council's guidance on the relevance of convictions. A copy of this guidance may be obtained free of charge from the Licensing Office. If any matter is relevant to an applicant's fitness, the Council may take this into account when determining the grant of any licence.

Thurrock District Council normally expects that an applicant for a private hire driver's licence will not:

- (a) have been convicted of three or more motoring offences during the previous three years;
- (b) have been convicted of a serious motoring offence during the previous five years;
- (c) have been cautioned by the police for a criminal offence during the previous 12 months;

- (d) have been convicted of a criminal offence during the previous three years;
 - (e) have been convicted of a serious criminal offence or a sexual offence within the previous seven years;
 - (f) have been refused an HGV or PSV Licence or had either revoked by the Traffic Commissioners within the previous three years.
32. All relevant facts will be taken into account when consideration is given to an application for a private hire driver's licence and it may be that additional or higher standards will be imposed.

Private Hire Driver's Licences - Conditions

33. (a) All relevant facts will be taken into account when consideration is given to an application for a driver's licence and it may be that additional or higher standards will be imposed.
- (b) A new private hire driver's licence shall be issued for one year.
- (c) Any private hire drivers licence that existed before the 1st August 2011, which when renewed between the following dates shall be valid for the following period:
- 1st August 2011 – 31st July 2012 will be valid for 3 years;
 - 1st August 2012 – 31st July 2013 will be valid for 2 years;
 - 1st August 2013 onwards will be valid for 1 year.
- (d) Where a driver has not re-applied for his licence before the expiry of the current licence, and the licence lapses, then any subsequent application shall be treated as if the driver is making a new application. Applicants in these circumstances will be expected to undergo the full pre-licensing checks, irrespective of how long ago any previous checks were made.
34. A person shall not drive a private hire vehicle without holding a valid private hire driver's licence. The holder shall also produce that licence for examination by his proprietor, both at the commencement of their employment and immediately after its renewal. The driver of a private hire vehicle shall produce his licence for inspection on request by an authorised officer of the Council or any Police Officer.
35. No licensed driver shall act as a private hire driver without the consent of the proprietor.
36. A licence holder, on changing his address, shall notify the Licensing Authority of such a change within seven days.
37. (a) Drivers shall at all times when available for hire and whilst hired, wear their badge on their person so that it is clearly visible.

- (b) A licensed private hire driver must not wear their identity badge other than when carrying out work in connection with their private hire business.
 - (c) No person shall damage, deface, mutilate or obscure a driver's badge or any part of it.
- 38.
- (a) Up to the age of 65 years, private hire drivers will be required to undergo a medical examination to DVLA Group 2 standards as to their fitness to drive, every three years, or any lesser period that the examining doctor may decide.
 - (b) Those drivers suffering from known and notified medical disorders and those over 70 years of age, will be required to undergo a medical examination to Group 2 standards annually, or any lesser period that the examining doctor may decide.
 - (c) Drivers over the age of 70 years are required to produce documentary evidence of an additional eyesight test, such evidence to be dated six months prior to the date of application.
 - (d) All medical examinations will be at the expense of the individual driver. Thurrock Council reserves the right in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to require an applicant or driver to undertake an independent medical examination to DVLA Group 2 standards at such clinic or hospital as the Council may direct.
- 39.
- (a) The driver of a private hire vehicle shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of persons travelling in, entering or alighting from the vehicle.
 - (b) The driver of a private hire vehicle shall at all times be clean, respectable and of smart appearance. They should act with civility towards all persons and shall comply with the reasonable requirements of the hirer(s).
 - (c) The wearing of vests or singlets and sports gear such as football shirts and tracksuits, is prohibited. Shorts may be worn in hot weather only if properly tailored and of sufficient length, when the driver is seated, not to offend against decency. Brightly coloured or highly decorated shorts of a style more appropriate as beach/holiday wear are also prohibited.

40. A driver shall:
- (a) convey a reasonable quantity of luggage;
 - (b) afford reasonable assistance in loading and unloading such luggage;
 - (c) when requested by the hirer, afford reasonable assistance in removing such luggage to or from the entrance of any building, station or place at which he may take up or set down such person.
41. The driver of a private hire vehicle shall **not**:
- (a) refuse to attend to the needs or refuse assistance to any person with a disability, whether in a wheelchair or not;
 - (b) refuse to carry a dog used as a guide dog for a blind or partially sighted person, or a hearing/assistance dog for those otherwise impaired;
 - (c) charge an extra fee for carrying a guide, hearing or assistance dog, or for the carriage of a wheelchair.
42. (a) The driver of a private hire vehicle who shall have agreed or shall have been hired to be in attendance with the vehicle at an appointed time and place shall, unless delayed or prevented by some sufficient cause, punctually attend with such vehicle at the appointed time and place.
- (b) When picking up the hirer, the driver shall make his presence known in person and shall not attract the hirer's attention by sounding their horn, shouting or making any other disturbing noise.
43. The driver of a private hire vehicle when hired to drive to any particular destination shall, subject to any directions given by the hirer, proceed to that destination by the shortest available route.
44. (a) The driver of a private hire vehicle shall, immediately after the termination of the hiring, search the vehicle for any property which may have been accidentally left therein.
- (b) On finding any property left in his vehicle, a driver shall carry it as soon as possible and in any case within 72 hours, to the Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, and deposit it there against receipt from the Officer in charge.
45. The driver of a private hire vehicle shall not:
- (a) use a mobile phone at any time when driving;
 - (b) smoke in the vehicle at any time, whether or not engaged on private hire work.
46. The driver shall not convey in a private hire vehicle any animal belonging to, or in the custody of himself, or the proprietor or operator of the vehicle.
47. A private hire driver must disclose cautions, convictions, charges, driving offences or disqualifications to the Licensing Authority.

- (a) In the event that the licence holder is charged or summonsed for any alleged criminal offence, then within seven days of being charged or of receipt of the summons, he shall report the fact in writing to the Licensing Authority giving the particulars of each alleged offence and in which court the proceedings are pending.
- (b) In the event that the licence holder is cautioned for, or convicted of any criminal offence, then within seven days of the date of such caution or conviction, he shall report the fact in writing to the Licensing Authority giving details of any penalty imposed
- (c) Following any conviction or the issue of a fixed penalty notice which results in penalty points being endorsed on the licence holder's DVLA licence, that DVLA licence must be produced to the Licensing Authority within seven days of its return from the DVLA, court or fixed penalty office following the endorsement of the offence.
- (d) In the event of a conviction before a court resulting in disqualification from driving, a licensed driver shall immediately inform the Licensing Authority and surrender their driver's badge.

48. A licensed driver will be permitted to tow a trailer whilst driving a licensed vehicle providing that:

- (a) The driver holds the appropriate category on his DVLA licence, which must be produced to the Council.
- (b) It is the proprietor's responsibility to ensure that the trailer towed by his vehicle complies with the legislation and the Licensing Conditions.
- (c) It is the proprietor's responsibility to ensure that the driver towing the trailer holds the appropriate category DVLA licence.

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