

Section 2: Licensing Requirements for PHVs

Summary:

This chapter combines some information about the licensing requirements and rules for private hire vehicles (PHVs) although someone does not own a licensed vehicle, he/she should know about these requirements:

- The registered keeper of PHV will get a license and license disc for rear windscreens with a leaflet with details condition about the license
- It will be issued for 1 year, and the registered keeper can be inspected before issuing a new license
- The licence discs must be kept safe and should not be removed even if someone uses them for personal purposes. In case of missing, damaged or lost licence discs, you must notify TfL and get replacement discs. Otherwise, you cannot use that vehicle for private hire purposes.
- In exceptional circumstances, the exemption may allow, but the driver has to show and carry exemption notice at all time
- Insurance is a must for PHV as well as at the time of licensing. It is safe to carry details of the vehicle's valid hire or reward insurance policy while working.
- If a PHV got involved in a collision, you must show insurance details and inform TfL within 72 hours.
- A registered PHV keeper will be notified by the manufacturer through TfL, if a vehicle has found any problem and needs to do so to get your vehicle fixed.