

“Taxis” Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Outside London - An Introduction

A One Day Course

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Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing is an important area of Local Authority Licensing. This course provides an outline of the role and functions of the committee, and looks in detail at the areas of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing.

This course will be up to date and take account of any revisions to the Best Practice Guidance, the forthcoming S177 Guidance, the Report of the Ministerial Working Group and all case law.

Course Outline

Session 1 – Taxi Licensing within a Local Authority

- The role of the Licensing Committee.
- Decisions as an Administrative Body.
- Fairness.
- Procedures.
- Implications of the Human Rights Act 1998.
- Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. - Implications for Licensing and Taxis in particular;
- Appeals against Committee Decisions



Session 2 – Hackney Carriages

- Hackney Carriage basics
- Private Hire basics
- Fees
- Hackney Carriage Vehicles Conditions
 - * Numbers Of Hackney Carriage
 - * Plying for Hire
 - * Ranks
 - * Fares
 - * Equality Act 2010
 - * Suspension & Revocation

Session 3 – Hackney Carriages and private hire

- Hackney Carriage Drivers
 - * Criteria for Grant
 - * Conditions & Byelaws
 - * Suspension & Revocation
- Private Hire Operators
 - * Provision For Booking's
 - * Vehicles and Drivers
 - * Conditions
 - * Exempted Hiring's
 - * Courtesy cars
 - * Suspension & Revocation

Session 4 – Private Hire

- Private Hire Vehicles
 - * Conditions
 - * Stretched Limousines
 - * Meters
 - * Roof Signs
 - * Suspension & Revocation
- Private Hire Drivers
 - * Criteria for Grant
 - * Conditions & Byelaws
 - * Suspension & Revocation

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