

## A One Day Course

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**Taxi (Hackney Carriage and Private Hire) Licensing is an important area of Local Authority Licensing. However, it is a complex combination of archaic legislation, numerous cases, DfT Guidance, and local policies, all of which combine to present a confusing picture.**

**This course looks at both common and rare problems in detail, and is ideal for officers and members with experience of taxi licensing. It will also look in detail at the revised Best Practice Guidance. There will be time for discussion of problems and potential solutions as well.**

### Course Outline

#### Session 1 – Taxi Licensing within a Local Authority

- \* *The role of the Council & Licensing Committee*
- \* *Does the Executive have a role?*
- \* *Decision making and recording*
- \* *Revised DfT Best Practice Guidance*
- \* *Fees*
- \* *Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974*
- \* *CRB v ISA checks*



#### Session 3 – Private Hire Operators

- \* *Cross border hiring*
- \* *Hackney carriages used for private hire*
- \* *Multiple Operators' Licences*
- \* *Bases*
- \* *Provision For Bookings*
- \* *Conditions*
- \* *Exempted Hiring's*
- \* *Enforcement*
- \* *Suspension & Revocation*

#### Session 2 – Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Vehicles

- \* *Hackney Carriage vehicles*
  - \* *Policies & Conditions including:*
  - \* *Wheelchair accessibility*
  - \* *Numbers Of Hackney Carriage*
  - \* *Plying for Hire and Hailing Points*
  - \* *Trishaws/pedicabs*
- \* *Private Hire Vehicles*



#### Session 4 – Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Drivers

- \* *Criteria for Grant*
  - \* *Fitness and Propriety*
  - \* *Conditions & Byelaws*
  - \* *"Points systems"*
  - \* *Enforcement*
  - \* *Suspension & Revocation*