



## **SCHEDULE A**

### **Conditions of fitness of a taxi vehicles**

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### **Conditions of fitness of private hire car vehicles**

- i. The battery shall be in good condition and free from leaking.
- ii. Terminals shall be in good condition and free from corrosion.
- iii. Engine compartment components shall be in good condition, secure and with no signs of chafing. In particular, the wiring shall be secure and insulated.
- iv. The driver compartment shall be clean and in good condition. In particular, it shall not be dirty or dusty and it shall be free from any rubbish.
- v. The speedometer shall be in full working order and shall be registering correctly.
- vi. All ventilation equipment and heaters shall be in full working order. In particular, the heater shall emit heat, the ventilation shall supply adequate airflow to windscreen and car interior, the vents shall be secure and the control mechanism shall be fully operational.
- vii. Vehicle suspension shall be of the correct geometry and not excessively worn.
- viii. Wheel alignment shall not display any visible signs of incorrect geometry e.g. feathering of tyres.
- ix. Clutch shall be in good working order and the pedal rubbers shall not be excessively worn or missing.

- x. Tread depth of tyres shall not be less than 2.0mm across the width of the tyre.
- xi. Wheels shall be of the type specified by the manufacturer.
- xii. All wheels and wheel trims shall be matching.
- xiii. Brake pads friction material shall not be less than 3.00mm.
- xiv. The jack and wheel key shall be securely stored in the Vehicle.
- xv. The fuel tanks shall be the manufacturer's original equipment.
- xvi. All visible fuel components shall be in good condition and there shall not be any fuel accumulating in/on any fitting or receptacle.
- xvii. The exhaust system shall be in good working order and shall be of a standard specification.
- xviii. Bodywork shall be in good condition and shall not be damaged or extensively corroded.
- xix. The paint finish shall be of a good standard, and in particular shall be of a uniform finish, shall not be of any different colours or shades, and shall not contain any surface deficiencies i.e. paint runs, peeling, scratches or broken paint surface.
- xx. The engine compartment shall be in good condition and shall not be dirty, greasy or oily.
- xxi. The passenger compartment shall be in a good and clean condition. It shall not be dirty or dusty and shall be free from any rubbish or litter.
- xxii. Interior upholstery shall be secure, and in a good and clean condition. In particular, the upholstery shall not be dirty, missing, insecure or torn or in such a condition as to soil clothing or adversely affect passenger comfort.
- xxiii. Ramps and steps for disabled access shall be in good condition, shall be stable, secure, and correctly and safely stowed.

- xxiv. Roof mounted taxi sign shall be present, secure and in good working order. In particular, said sign shall illuminate.
- xxv. The front and rear taxi plates shall be displayed, matching and secured with the appropriate fixing kit.
- xxvi. Door opening mechanisms shall be in good condition, and in particular, the door seals shall not be damaged or missing.
- xxvii. Door hinges are in good condition and are not worn or insecure.
- xxviii. Taximeter (where fitted), lights, seal and calibration shall all be in good working order. In particular, they shall all be of the correct specification, shall illuminate, shall not be defective in any way and shall not fail the relevant road test. The seal shall not be missing or broken.
- xxix. Fire extinguishers shall be present, easily accessible, properly secured. Fire extinguishers shall conform to the relevant British standard and shall be maintenance checked every 12 months. Fire extinguishers in Vehicles shall not be damaged, have been discharged or have a lack of pressure charge.
- xxx. No tow balls shall be fitted to the Vehicle.
- xxxi. All exterior lights fitted to the Vehicle shall be clean and in good working order.
- xxxii. All wiper blades fitted to the Vehicle shall be in good condition and any washer fluid system shall be fully operational with sufficient fluid present in the reservoir.

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- iv. The driver compartment shall be clean and in good condition. In particular, it shall not be dirty or dusty and it shall be free from any rubbish.
- v. The speedometer shall be in full working order and shall be registering correctly.
- vi. All ventilation equipment and heaters shall be in full working order. In particular, the heater shall emit heat, the ventilation shall supply adequate airflow to windscreen and car interior, the vents shall be secure and the control mechanism shall be fully operational.
- vii. Vehicle suspension shall be of the correct geometry and not excessively worn.
- viii. Wheel alignment shall not display any visible signs of incorrect geometry e.g. feathering of tyres.
- ix. Clutch shall be in good working order and the pedal rubbers shall not be excessively worn or missing.
- x. Tread depth of tyres shall not be less than 2.0mm across the width of the tyre.
- xi. Wheels shall be of the type specified by the manufacturer.
- xii. All wheels and wheel trims shall be matching.
- xiii. Brake pads friction material shall not be less than 3.00mm.
- xiv. The jack and wheel key shall be securely stored in the Vehicle.
- xv. The fuel tanks shall be the manufacturer's original equipment.

- xvi. All visible fuel components shall be in good condition and there shall not be any fuel accumulating in/on any fitting or receptacle.
- xvii. The exhaust system shall be in good working order and shall be of a standard specification.
- xviii. Bodywork shall be in good condition and shall not be damaged or extensively corroded.
- xix. The paint finish shall be of a good standard, and in particular shall be of a uniform finish, shall not be of any different colours or shades, and shall not contain any surface deficiencies i.e. paint runs, peeling, scratches or broken paint surface.
- xx. The engine compartment shall be in good condition and shall not be dirty, greasy or oily.
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- xxii. Interior upholstery shall be secure, and in a good and clean condition. In particular, the upholstery shall not be dirty, missing, insecure or torn or in such a condition as to soil clothing or adversely affect passenger comfort.
- xxiii. Ramps and steps for disabled access shall be in good condition, shall be stable, secure, and correctly and safely stowed.
- xxiv. The rear private hire car plates shall be displayed, matching and secured with the appropriate fixing kit.
- xxv. Door opening mechanisms shall be in good condition, and in particular, the door seals shall not be damaged or missing.
- xxvi. Door hinges are in good condition and are not worn or insecure.

- xxvii. Taximeter (where fitted), lights, seal and calibration shall all be in good working order. In particular, they shall all be of the correct specification, shall illuminate, shall not be defective in any way and shall not fail the relevant road test. The seal shall not be missing or broken.
- xxviii. Fire extinguishers shall be present, easily accessible, properly secured. Fire extinguishers shall conform to the relevant British standard and shall be maintenance checked every 12 months. Fire extinguishers in Vehicles shall not be damaged, have been discharged or have a lack of pressure charge.
- xxix. In respect of estate type Vehicles, no dog guard type device shall be fitted.
- xxx. No tow balls shall be fitted to the Vehicle.
- xxxi. All exterior lights fitted to the Vehicle shall be clean and in good working order.
- xxxii. All wiper blades fitted to the Vehicle shall be in good condition and any washer fluid system shall be fully operational with sufficient fluid present in the reservoir.