

HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLES: FROM 11th APRIL 2014

Permitted Vehicle Types	<p>Traditional LTI black cabs</p> <p>Mercedes Vito Taxi</p> <p>Mercedes Benz M8 Hackney. (similar to Vito taxi but without 4 wheel steering)</p> <p>Peugeot E7 (SE Model) by Allied Vehicles</p>	
Lower Age Limit (new applications)	3 or 4 years	Determined by the emissions standard of the vehicle. In practice it will be <u>4 years</u> until further notice
Upper Age Limits	Vehicles licenced prior to 11.4.14	12 Years
	Vehicles licenced from 11.4.14	10 Years
	Where exceptional condition is met	15 years (Exceptional condition criteria explained below)
Written off vehicles	Replaced with a vehicle up to the age of that written off, up to the 10 year limit.	

EXCEPTIONAL CONDITION CRITERIA

Any vehicle inspection resulting in a fail where an authorised MOT vehicle examiner identifies 2 or more dangerous or major faults or where the vehicle is found to have a poor maintenance history, evidenced by 2 or more previous suspensions for vehicle safety issues within the proceeding 2 years will usually result in the vehicle **no longer** being classed as in exceptional condition upon expiry of the licence. It will not be acceptable for such a vehicle to be taken away, repaired and presented for a further test. Any further application will not be accepted for such a vehicle.

Dangerous and Major faults are outlined in the DVSA MOT Inspection Manual: Cars & Passenger Vehicles. Reference to this manual can be found using the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/mot-inspection-manual-for-private-passenger-and-light-commercial-vehicles>