



## Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Driver licences

# Guidelines on the licensing of diabetic individuals as Hackney Carriage or Private Hire Drivers

The DVLA's group 2 medical standards, which the Council follows when considering applications for hackney carriage and private hire driver's licences, makes special provisions in respect of individuals with diabetes mellitus. This stems from the need to ensure that the condition is correctly controlled, and that an episode of hypoglycaemia will not affect the safe use of licensed vehicles.

The following requirements will be applied to applicant's for licences with diabetes mellitus:

**All applicants for a private hire or hackney carriage driver's licence (including first-time applicants and on every subsequent renewal) will be required to satisfy the Licensing Authority that he/she meets the Group 2 DVLA medical standards in respect of diabetes mellitus.**

Applicants with diabetes mellitus which is treated with **insulin** or managed by way of **tablets** which carry a risk of inducing hypoglycaemia (such as sulphonylureas or glinides) shall, in addition to the medical certificate, provide a signed declaration confirming that they will:

- Comply with the directions for treatment given to him/her by the Doctor supervising that treatment;
- Immediately report to the Licensing Authority, in writing, any change in diabetic condition; and
- Provide to the Licensing Authority, upon request, evidence that blood glucose monitoring is being undertaken at least twice daily and at time relevant to driving a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle during employment.

In addition, insulin-treated applicants will be required to provide a medical report from a hospital consultant specialising in diabetes confirming that the applicant has been undergoing insulin treatment for a minimum of four (4) weeks.

For further information, please see:

- At a glance guide to the DVLA medical standards:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/at-a-glance>
- DBC Guidelines of the fitness of applicants for hackney carriage / private hire driver licences  
<http://www.dacorum.gov.uk/home/environment-street-care/licensing/taxi-private-hire/applying-for-a-hackney-carriage-or-private-hire-driver-licence/medical-requirements-for-taxi-drivers>



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**Additional information and declarations from diabetic drivers  
(insulin-treated or tablet-managed (which may induce hypoglycaemia))**

**(PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS IN BLACK INK)**

Full Name:			
Date of Birth:		Badge No(s):	
Home Address:			

I attach a medical certificate from my GP (or a medical practitioner with access to my medical records) confirming that I satisfy the Group 2 DVLA medical standards in respect of diabetes mellitus.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treatment type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Insulin-treated <input type="checkbox"/> Tablet-managed

<b>DECLARATIONS</b>	<i>Please tick ✓</i>
I will comply with the directions for treatment given to me by the Doctor supervising that treatment.	<input type="checkbox"/>
I will immediately report to the Licensing Authority, in writing, any change in diabetic condition.	<input type="checkbox"/>
I will provide to the Licensing Authority, as and when necessary, evidence that blood glucose monitoring is being undertaken at least twice daily and at time relevant to driving a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle during employment.	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have no other condition which would render the driver a danger when driving hackney carriages and private hire vehicles.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>INSULIN-TREATED DIABETES ONLY</b>	
Number of weeks I have been taking insulin	_____ weeks
I attach a medical report from a hospital consultant, specialising in the treatment of diabetes, confirming that I have been undergoing insulin treatment for a minimum of four weeks.	<input type="checkbox"/>

**SIGNED:** ..... **DATE:** .....