

## Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles

### Licensed Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles

The new requirements of the Equality Act 2010 came into force on 6 April 2017.

Sections 165 to 167 of the Equality Act 2010 make it a criminal offence for drivers of designated taxi and specified private hire vehicles to refuse to carry passengers in standard manual wheelchairs, to fail to provide them with appropriate assistance or to charge them extra.

The requirements of section 165 do not apply to drivers who have a valid medical exemption certificate and are displaying a valid exemption notice. If you are exempt then you will have been issued with two exemption notices. These must be displayed as follows:

- One in the near side window for approaching passengers and wheelchair users to see
- One in the rear window of your vehicle so any driver behind you on the rank will be aware of your exemption

The exemption notice is not transferable and if the vehicle is shared by another user you must ensure the notice is removed before somebody else uses the vehicle.

The lists below are designated for the purposes of section 165 of the Equality Act 2010.

<b>Hackney Carriage Vehicles (Taxis)</b>			
<b>Council Plate No.</b>	<b>Make and Model (Passenger capacity)</b>	<b>Registration Number</b>	<b>Name of Operator</b>
027	Citreon Berlingo (4)	CK55 BZD	One Call
009	Fiat Doblo (4)	NK51 VXN	One Call
002	London Taxi TX1 (5)	V536 DGT	Road Runner Taxi
003	Fiat Doblo (4)	OLZ 2297	Ben's Taxi

<b>Private Hire Vehicles</b>			
<b>Council Plate No.</b>	<b>Make and Model (passenger capacity)</b>	<b>Registration Number</b>	<b>Name of Operator</b>
035	VW LT46 (8)	CU05 FTE	Belfitt's Minicoach Hire
029	Renault Master (8)	RX08 CXU	Belfitt's Minicoach Hire
023	Vauxhall Movano (8)	NV05 PKE	Belfitt's Minicoach Hire
038	Ford Transit (8)	BU05 ODF	Belfitt's Minicoach Hire
009	Ford Transit (8)	GX55 HKP	CDS Hire Limited
073	Renault Master (8)	BV51 EAC	Crystal Travel
021	Renault Master (7)	PN57 JFG	K M Cars
049	Mercedes Sprinter (8)	DK57 JVR	Tasmim Limited
051	Renault Master (8)	WA04 MWV	Tasmim Limited
033	Citroen Dispatch (8)	LK09 EEV	Wilkins Transport