

To Licensing Committee

I am asking the Licensing Committee to consider and approve special dispensation to substitute my current PH vehicle from a diesel Skoda Superb to an Electric Tesla Model Y.

The vehicle conforms to all current guidelines and dimension specifications to be a PH Licensed vehicle but unfortunately the only thing it doesn't conform to is being classed as an SUV although it is more of a crossover than SUV. The Model Y albeit slightly larger is based on the Model 3 which has been passed for use as a taxi/PH.

Current dimension specifications required to be a PH vehicle.	Model Y specifications.
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Maximum Ground Clearance - 185mm	175mm or 170mm at lowest point.
Minimum Rear Leg Room - 700mm	700mm
Minimum Rear Head Room - 900mm	950mm
Minimum Boot Capacity - 450 litres	971 litres
Minimum Rear Seat Length - 1200mm	1300mm

The above measurements bar the Boot capacity were done by myself but I have enclosed the official Tesla Model Y dimensions with this email. I have also attached photographs of the car as it is in real time. Tesla in Aberdeen have agreed that I could have the car to present to Kittybrewster for inspection should the need arise.

I have over the past couple of days spoken to drivers who currently have the Model 3. In their opinion, the Model Y would actually be better for elderly and less mobile passengers as it is slightly higher than the Model 3 of which some passengers are finding it difficult to get in and out of.

I am prepared to make a £60k investment into my future within the Taxi business as well as play my part in helping Aberdeen and Scotland become more Green. This vehicle will also be my personal mode of transport. My family and I enjoy exploring Scotland with our Touring Caravan which is why I have chosen the Model Y as it is only 1 of 2 Tesla's that are capable of towing my caravan. The other being the Model X which is bigger and is a proper SUV.

I would ask that the Committee grant permission for the Tesla Model Y to be used as a Taxi/PH.

Regards

Steven Hall

Taxi Driver Badge Number - 1296

PH Vehicle Licence Number – PH105