

Mixed Taxi Fleet Proposals for Public Consultation

Establish a split of 50% Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs) and 50% saloon vehicles.

Maintain the current policy that all new applications require to be for WAVs.

Establish a waiting list for licence holders wishing to change from a WAV to a saloon vehicle.

Provide current licence holders who have operated a WAV for at least 5/10 years the first opportunity to register an interest to join the waiting list. This will be done by asking licence holders to email the licensing email address from a certain date and time (eg 12 noon on 4 December) and the list will be compiled in the order in which the requests are received. No request received before the stipulated time and date will be considered.

Thereafter all remaining current licence holders will be afforded the opportunity to register their interest in joining the list in the same way on a later date.

When a saloon plate becomes available the first name on the list will be invited to confirm within 7 days that they remain interested. If they do not do so they will be moved to the bottom of the list and the opportunity will pass to the next name on the list.

If they do confirm that they remain interested they will have 3 months from the date of the original availability to submit an application to substitute a saloon vehicle onto their licence. Again, if this is not done they will be moved to the bottom of the list and the opportunity offered to the next name on the list.

[Given there may be exceptional circumstances for someone to pass on an opportunity it may be more appropriate to only move a name to the bottom of the list on their second pass?]