

1 Bodywork

Information	Method of Inspection	Reason for Rejection
<p>Bodywork should be clean and free from dents and scratches.</p> <p>All panels and trim should be secure.</p>	<p>Vehicle should be inspected under natural light and not under fluorescent light when possible.</p> <p>Examine bodywork for scratches, dents, irregularities or inadequate repairs.</p> <p>Check for insecure panels or trim.</p>	<p>(28 day bodywork rectification certificate issued).</p> <p>Bodywork</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Scratches, dents or other irregularities. (b) Inadequate repair which is not properly painted and finished. (c) Insecure panels or trim. <p>Immediate Failure</p> <p>(Refusal at time of test to issue certificate of compliance).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Any bodywork with sharp or protruding edges likely to cause injury to a pedestrian or other road users. (b) Significant bodywork damage. (c) Any body panel not matching the vehicle's original colour ie blue door on a red car.

2 Roof Signs

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Roof sign shall be of size and type as approved by the Licensing Authority.	Check that the sign is:- 1 the correct size. 2 in the correct position. 3 signage is in accordance with the Licensing specification. 4 check for tidy installation ie no loose wires, protruding screws etc.	1 Incorrect size. 2 Incorrect position. 3 Signage contravenes Licensing specification. 4 Untidy installation ie no loose wires, protruding screws etc.

Should any dispute arise in connection with the test, an appeal may be lodged with the Supervisor who will be on site to resolve any issues.

3 Mirrors

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Mirrors.	Check the presence, security, condition and visibility of:- (a) An exterior mirror fitted to the offside. (b) An exterior mirror fitted to the nearside. (c) An interior mirror.	1 A taxi/private hire which does not have at least:- (a) One main exterior rear view mirror on offside. (b) One main exterior rear view mirror on nearside. (c) An interior mirror. 2 Deteriorated or cracked mirror lens. 3 Insecure mirror or holder.

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	<p>First Aid Kit</p> <p>First aid kits should contain the minimum as recommended by HSE for a 1-person kit. Check that the first aid kit is not contaminated or the contents obviously deteriorated and that the receptacle which contains the first aid kit is prominently marked. If the receptacle is in a sealed compartment or closed glove box the compartment or glove box should be clearly marked to indicate the position of the first aid kit.</p> <p>Fire Extinguisher</p> <p>Check that the fire extinguisher is of the correct type. They must contain foam or powder and be marked BS 5423 or EN 3.</p> <p>A fire extinguisher should be fitted securely in a position easily accessible by the driver. If the extinguisher is hidden from view the position must be clearly marked in view of the driver and passengers.</p>	<p>First Aid Kit</p> <p>(a) Missing, inaccessible or in poor or contaminated condition. (b) Receptacle not marked. (c) No notice of position is present. (d) A kit which does not contain the minimum HSE recommended vehicle kit or:- 5 waterproof plasters, 1 x HSE 18 x 18 dressing, 2 triangular bandages, 2 antiseptic wipes, 1 pair of vinyl gloves, 6 safety pins, 1 first aid advice leaflet.</p> <p>Fire Extinguisher</p> <p>1 Missing, inaccessible, discharged, incorrect type, in an obviously poor condition. 2 No notice of position is present. 3 A Halon filled extinguisher.</p> <p>(e) Insecure.</p>

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<p>The vehicle should be submitted for the Taxi Inspection clean and free from damage and in a condition which would be acceptable to be hired by members of the public.</p> <p>Interior Insurance disc should be fixed in the correct position within the interior of the vehicle.</p>	<p>Seats</p> <p>Check the condition, security, cleanliness of seats.</p>	<p>Seats</p> <p>(a) A seat which is insecure, damaged or weakened so that the damaged seat structure or covering could endanger passengers or damage their clothes.</p> <p>(b) Seats with covering(s) in such a condition that they are likely to soil passenger's clothing.</p> <p>(c) Headrests insecure or missing.</p>
	<p>Interior Lights</p> <p>Check the interior lights provide adequate illumination of the interior of the vehicle.</p> <p>Interior Surface</p> <p>Check interior surfaces including roof linings, side panel covering and carpets for cleanliness, condition and security.</p>	<p>Interior Lights</p> <p>(a) Inadequate illumination of saloon interior.</p> <p>Interior Surface</p> <p>(a) Insecure or damaged so that they are likely to injure passengers.</p> <p>(b) Contaminated so that they are likely to soil passenger's clothing.</p>

6 Tyres

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<p>Tyres including spare should have not less than 2mm tread depth.</p> <p>2mm will replace 1.6mm in the main MOT Testing Manual where stated.</p> <p>Spare wheel and tyre must be stored securely in the correct location and be compatible.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Check the tread pattern over the complete circumference of the tyre. 2 Check also that the tread depth meets the requirement using, as necessary, a depth gauge accepted for MOT testing. 3 Check that central three-quarters of the breadth of tread has a continuous around the entire outer circumference of the tyre. 4 Check security. 5 Check serviceability to the same standards as fitted tyres. 6 Ensure bi-directional fitting. 7 Check size and specification. 	<p>The grooves of the tread pattern are not at least 2mm throughout a continuous band comprising. The central three- quarters of the breadth of tread this band must be continuous around the entire outer circumference of the tyre.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Under inflation. 2 Insecure. 3 Not serviceable as per fitted tyres. 4 Not bi-directional. 5 Different size or specification to fitted tyres except in the case of a manufacturer fitted space saver.

7 Taxi Meter

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<p>The taxi meter will be checked for security and accuracy.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Check that a taxi meter is fitted, fitted correctly and is complete. 2 Check for condition and position. 3 Check for accuracy with respect to distance and time. 4 Check taxi meter seals for presence and condition and that they are of the correct type. 5 Check that the begging light works at the correct time in sequence with the operation of the taxi meter. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Taxi meter is in anyway defective. 2 Fitted in a position not approved by the Licensing Authority. 3 Found to be inaccurate after testing with respect to distance and time. 4 Seal missing or having been tampered with. 5 Obscuring the forward vision of the driver. 6 Any manual method of operating the begging lamp. 7 Is in a dangerous position. 8 Meter is insecure.

8 Taxi Plate

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The taxi plate must be in good condition.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Check that there is a taxi plate fitted to an external surface on the rear of the vehicle.2 Check for security and condition.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) Missing or incorrect.(b) So insecure that it is likely to fall off.(c) Letter or figure missing or incomplete.(d) Faded, dirty, deteriorated or obscured.(e) Not affixed to an external surface on the rear of the vehicle.