

Guidance For Insulin Treated Diabetes Policy For Private Hire And Taxi Driver Licensees and Applicants

Applicants for a private hire or taxi driver licence will be required to:

- (a) Hold a DVLA C1 Category Group 2 licence (issued after 1st January 1998) or
- (b) Satisfy the Licensing Authority that he/she meets the medical requirements, which would allow a C1 Group 2 licence to be issued.

With regard to option (b) the applicant will need to provide a medical report from a hospital consultant specialising in diabetes confirming:

1. The applicant has been undergoing insulin treatment for over four weeks.
2. During the twelve months prior to the date of the licence application the applicant has not suffered a hypoglycaemic episode requiring the assistance of another whilst driving.
3. The applicant has a history of responsible diabetic control and is a minimal risk of hypoglycaemic attack resulting in incapacity.

The applicant will also be required to submit a signed declaration that:

- (i) He/she will comply with the directions for treatment given to him/her by the doctor supervising that treatment.
- (ii) Immediately report to the Licensing Authority, in writing, any change in diabetic condition, and
- (iii) Provide to the Licensing Authority, as and when necessary evidence that blood glucose monitoring is being undertaken at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving a taxi or private hire vehicle during employment.

Licensees

Annually the licensee will be required to:

- (a) Submit to the Licensing Authority, for examination, their valid DVLA C1 category Group 2 licence
OR
- (c) Provide a medical report from a hospital consultant specialising in diabetes or your own GP confirming:
 - That during the preceding 12 months the licensee has not suffered a hypoglycaemic episode requiring the assistance of another whilst driving
 - An the annual examination by an independent Consultant Diabetologist, 3 months of blood glucose readings were available
 - The licensee has a history of responsible diabetic control and
 - Is at minimal risk of a hypoglycaemic attack resulting in incapacity

Licensees are reminded that the requirements of the declaration signed on the issue of licence remain an obligation.

All current applications involving individuals with insulin treated diabetes will be dealt with under these requirements.

Medical Declaration For Applicants Or Licensed Drivers With Insulin Treated Diabetes

I (insert name)

Of (insert address)

Hereby declare that

- I will comply with the directions for treatment given to me by the doctor supervising my treatment.
- I will immediately report to the Licensing Authority, in writing, any change in my diabetic condition, and
- 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 times relevant to driving a taxi or private hire vehicle during my employment.

I have enclosed: (please ✓)

A valid DVLA C1 category Group 2 licence **OR**

A medical report from a hospital consultant specialising in diabetes or my own GP confirming:

- That during the preceding 12 months I have not suffered a hypoglycaemic episode requiring the assistance of another whilst driving
- At the annual examination by an independent Consultant Diabetologist, 3 months of blood glucose readings were available
- I have a history of responsible diabetic control and
- I am at minimal risk of a hypoglycaemic attack resulting in incapacity

Signed

Print Name

Dated