

Transport for London

Public Carriage Office



Consultation on Future Arrangements for Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Inspections

The Public Carriage Office (PCO) is consulting on the future arrangements for taxi and private hire vehicle licensing inspections, and specifically on the mid-year safety inspection for taxis and the requirement for private hire vehicles (PHVs) to have a mid-year MoT test.

This fulfils the Mayor's commitment to consult on the abolition of the mid-year safety inspections for taxis.

The consultation document can be found on the Transport for London website at www.tfl.gov.uk/pco or copies can be collected from the ground floor reception at the PCO. We would welcome responses from anyone who may be affected by the proposals and the deadline for submitting responses is **Friday 24 October 2008**.

Responses can be submitted in the following ways:

- email PCO.Consultation@tfl.gov.uk
- fax: 020 7126 1897
- writing: Taxi and PHV Licensing Inspection Consultation, Public Carriage Office, 15 Penton Street, London N1 9PU

Until further notice, the existing conditions of licensing for taxis remain unchanged, as do the regulations in respect of PHVs. This means that all taxis must continue to have a mid-year inspection, and all PHVs older than 12 months at the date of the annual licensing inspection must continue to have a mid-year MoT test.

Any changes to taxi and PHV licensing inspections would be introduced following consideration and approval by the TfL Board.

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