



Suburban taxi drivers plying for hire off area

The Public Carriage Office is receiving an increasing number of reports of Suburban (yellow badge) taxi drivers plying for hire in central London. Suburban drivers are reminded that under the London Cab Order 1934, paragraphs 27 and 31, their licence limits the area in which they may ply for hire.

Any driver who is convicted, cautioned or warned by the police for plying for hire off their area, will have their fitness to remain licensed considered by the Licensing Authority. Offences identified by PCO staff during compliance activity will be considered in a similar manner.

Clearly if individuals wish to ply for hire in central London then there is nothing to prevent them from taking the All London Knowledge and becoming licensed for that area as many suburban drivers have done in the past and continue to do now.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Dowdye", written over a large, light blue circular stamp.

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Head of Standards & Regulations

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