Transport for London London Taxi and Private Hire



Taxi and Private Hire Update 2 – Following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

More than a million people from all over the UK and beyond are expected to make their way to central London in the coming days to pay their respects to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Due to the large number of people and the ceremonial and planning activity, the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) is implementing road closures and restrictions for within central London to ensure the safety and security of the public.

Road closures and restrictions will be in operation at different locations and times depending on the activity taking place. Only event vehicles critical to the success and safety of the event will be permitted access.

Taxi and private hire vehicles will not be permitted access to these areas at certain times to either pick-up or drop-off passengers. The MPS website and @MetPoliceEvents Twitter feed will be updated with information about road closures. Licensees should regularly check for updates and plan their trips accordingly.

More information can also be found on TfL's <u>dedicated webpage</u> for travel advice during the mourning period.

We will provide further updates to licensees via TPH Notices and Twitter.

Temporary Taxi Ranks

We have introduced a number of temporary taxi ranks that will be in operation 24-hours a day during the mourning period. These taxi ranks will help with the movement of people attending ceremonial events and will be in place up to and including Monday 19 September. Details of these taxi ranks are being made available through TfL customer communications channels.

Please see the table below:

Site Name	Taxi Rank Name	Taxi Rank ID	Temporary Taxi Rank Plate
BERKELEY SQUARE	Berkeley Square (North West Corner), W1	TR5862	TRE001
DOVER STREET	Dover Street	TR5863	TRE002
PARK LANE	Park Lane (Grosvenor House Hotel Ballroom), W1	TR5636	TRE003
DOVER STREET	MAHIKI	TR6047	TRE004
PARK LANE	Park Lane (The Dorchester Hotel Ballroom), W1	TR5541	TRE005
REGENT STREET	Regent Street (Heddon Street), W1	TR5779	TRE006
PARK LANE SERVICE ROAD	Park Lane (Curzon Street), W1	TR5779	TRE007
REGENT STREET	Regent Street (Swallow Street), W1	TR4852	TRE008
ECCLESTON BRIDGE	Ecclestone Bridge, SW1 (R0003)	TR5654	TRE009
GILLINGHAM STREET	Gillingham Street (R0015)	TR5744	TRE010
GROSVENOR STREET	Grosvenor Street, W1 (R0005)	TR4045	TRE011
STRAND	Strand (St. Clement Danes Church), WC2 (R0013)	TR4859	TRE012
EMBANKMENT PLACE	Embankment Place (Northumberland Avenue), WC2	TR4982	TRE015

Wednesday 14 September to Monday 19 September – Lying-in-State

Large queues are expected during the four-day period the Queen will be <u>lying-in-state</u> and passengers wishing to join the queue will be directed to different locations depending on the length of the queue at the time. We will provide further information to licensees as and when it becomes available.

Sunday 18 September 2022 - One-minute silence

It has been announced that at 8pm on Sunday 18 September there will be a oneminute silence where the public are invited to come together and observe a national moment of reflection to mourn and reflect on the life and legacy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

If a driver is undertaking a journey at this time and they wish to observe the silence, they should assess whether it is safe to stop for the duration of the silence or whether to continue the journey. They should also make a passenger aware of their intentions.

Monday 19 September 2022 - The funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

The funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be taking place on Monday 19 September, which has been declared a Bank Holiday.

Normally on a Bank Holiday taxi fares would automatically be moved to Tariff 3, however given the nature of the occasion, it has been agreed between TfL and taxi trade representatives that taxi fares will remain at normal rates on this day.

Closure of driver assessment centres

On Monday 19 September 2022 our driver assessment centres will be closed as transport services to and from our assessment centres are expected to be busy.

All taxi and private hire drivers and applicants that are due to sit a driver assessment on Monday 19 September will have their assessment(s) rescheduled. We will be writing to all those affected, with a new date and time for their assessment(s).

Vehicle inspection centres

We will ensure we have appropriate capacity to undertake vehicle inspections on Monday 19 September.

If you have a vehicle inspection booked for Monday 19 September and haven't yet heard from us we will be in touch shortly to discuss your booking. Priority will be given to vehicle owners with an imminent licence expiry date.

Health and Wellbeing

We are aware that this will be an upsetting time for many people, particularly if you have recently lost friends or members of your own family. Events such as this can trigger a reminder of the emotional impact that you have felt due to their loss.

If you are struggling, then please reach out for support and help. Details of the health and wellbeing services available to licensees are provided <u>here</u>.

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