



TRANSPORT FOR LONDON



News update

DBS Update Service

It is a **mandatory** licensing requirement that anyone now applying for a taxi or PHV driver licence (both new and renewal) is required to provide evidence of registration with the [DBS Update Service](#).

There are two opportunities to register with the DBS Update Service:

- 28 days from when you apply for your enhanced DBS check
- 30 days from the date when your DBS certificate was issued

If you miss the windows to register, then you will need to apply and pay for a new enhanced DBS check.

See our [video](#) explaining these changes, two guidance documents [here](#) and [here](#), and [TPH Notice 07/23](#) for further information.

Prevent child exploitation

The Children's Society in conjunction with the Metropolitan Police Service have produced information to assist licensed drivers in identifying and preventing exploitation and modern slavery. [Take a look at the material.](#)

OnRoute Magazine

The spring issue of our [magazine for taxi and private hire drivers](#) is available and has information about new rapid, electric charging hubs across the capital, advice for private hire drivers wanting to take the Knowledge of London, wellbeing tips and the London Taxi Drivers' Charity for Children.

Events

WWE Wrestling

Friday 19 April, The O2 Arena

Nightmares on Wax - The Outlook Orchestra

Friday 19 April, Royal Festival Hall Southbank

Tina - The Tina Turner Musical

Saturday 20 April, Aldwych Theatre

Boyz II Men

Saturday 20 April, OVO Arena Wembley

Kaiser Chiefs

Saturday 20 April, Troxy

Guys & Dolls

Saturday 20 April, Bridge Theatre

Drumsheds

Saturday 20 April, Tottenham Hale

There will be a marshalled taxi rank and pre-booked only PHV area at 6 Glover Drive, N18 3HF. The main egress times will be from 21:30 until midnight. For this event, Sector 1, 2 and 9 taxi drivers can serve the event rank only.

Peter Kay Live

Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 April, The O2 Arena

Whitehall

On Saturday 20 April, Whitehall will be closed for a significant part of the day for a wreath laying event.

Central London

From 07:30 until 15:30 on Saturday 20 April, the TCS Mini London Marathon 2024 will take place, with the route contained on Horse Guards Road, Birdcage Walk, Spur Road and Constitution Hill. Large crowds and increased traffic levels expected along the route.

Trafalgar Square

From 12:00 until 18:00 on Saturday 20 April, a religious event will take place on Trafalgar Square. Large crowds are expected.

Twickenham Stadium

From 12:00 until 19:00 on Saturday 20 April, Twickenham Stadium will be hosting the Women's Six Nations rugby match between England and Ireland, with kick off at 14:15. Large crowds and increased traffic levels are expected before and after the match.

Wembley Stadium

From 15:00 until 22:00 on Saturday 20 April, Wembley Stadium will be hosting the FA Cup Semi Final football match between Manchester City and Chelsea, with kick off at 17:15. Large crowds and increased traffic levels are expected before and after the match.

From 13:00 until 20:00 on Sunday 21 April, Wembley Stadium will be hosting the FA Cup Semi Final football match between Coventry City and Manchester United, with kick off at 15:30. Large crowds and increased traffic levels are expected before and after the match.

London Marathon

From 04:00 until 21:00 on Sunday 21 April, extensive road closures will be in place across central, south and south east London for the London Marathon. The route will start in Blackheath and end on The Mall. Taxi ranks within the road closures will be inaccessible.

Demonstrations**Westminster**

From 10:00 until 14:00 on Saturday 20 April, a march will take place, starting at the Chinese Embassy and ending at Richmond Terrace. Large crowds are expected.

Central London

From 10:30 until 14:30 on Saturday 20 April, a march will take place from Millbank to Temple Place via

Abingdon Street, Parliament Square, Whitehall, Horse Guards Avenue and Embankment. Large crowds are expected.

Road updates

Billinton Hill, East Croydon station

Until Thursday 25 April, Billinton Hill will be closed for engineering works. Taxis should use the taxi rank on Lansdowne Road where space will also be provided for PHV drop-offs and pick-ups. Travel Ambassadors will be at the station to help direct passengers to Lansdowne Road and will provide assistance to passengers with accessibility needs.

Ealing Road

Temporary traffic lights are currently in place between Ealing Road and its junction with Brentford High Street to support construction works. These works are expected to be in place until the end of July. Increased traffic is expected

Rank suspensions

The following ranks will be out of service:

- **6056 Wilton Road (Victoria station)**, until 17:00 on Thursday 18 April. Front 45 metres to be suspended for carriageway utility works. Taxi marshals will be available to assist taxi drivers from Wilton Road to Terminus Place
- **4913 Selborne Road (Walthamstow Central station/car wash)**, until 18:00 on Wednesday 24 April. Whole rank to be suspended for carriageway utility works
- **6096 Billinton Hill (East Croydon station)**, until 23:59 on Thursday 25 April. Whole rank to be suspended for engineering works. There is a road closure in place. Drivers should use Lansdowne Road
- **5984 Guildable Manor**, until 05:00 on Friday 26 April. Second portion only to be suspended for bridge works
- **6102 Ballards Lane (Tally Ho PH)**, until Saturday 27 April. Whole rank to be suspended for footway and kerb works
- **5500 Great Marlborough Street (Courthouse Hotel)**, until Tuesday 30 April. Whole rank to be suspended for the removal and relocation of the taxi rank
- **5788 Eccleston Place**, from 08:00 until 13:00 every Monday to Friday until Monday 12 August. Second portion to be suspended during these hours for loading and unloading to the library roof
- **5860 Porchester Road, Paddington**, from 07:30 on Saturday 20 until 16:30 on Sunday 21 April. Whole rank to be suspended for a crane operation. There is a partial road closure in place
- **5687 Piccadilly (Dilly Hotel)**, from 08:00 until 18:00 every day until Wednesday 6 November. Whole rank to be suspended for building construction works pit lane at 33-25 Piccadilly
- **5607 George Yard**, from 07:00 until 16:00 on Thursday 18 April. Whole rank to be suspended for kerb alignment works
- **4150 Arlington Street (Bennet Street)**, from 06:00 until 15:30 on Friday 19 April. Whole rank to be suspended for a crane operation
- **5681 Whitehall Court**, from 23:00 on Friday 19 until 20:00 on Saturday 20 April. Whole rank to be suspended for filming at the hotel and on the road
- **6203 Margaret Street (Regent Street)**, from 07:00 until 18:30 on Saturday 20 April. Whole rank to be suspended for carriageway utility works. There is a road closure in place
- **5860 Porchester Road, Paddington**, from 07:30 on Saturday 20 until 16:30 on Sunday 21 April. Whole rank to be suspended for a crane operation. There is a partial road closure in place
- **5714 St. James's Street (Park Place)**, from 22:00 on Monday 22 until 05:00 on Thursday 25 April. Whole rank to be suspended for access to utility chamber
- **5434 South Wharf Road**, from 07:00 until 18:00 on Wednesday 24 April. Whole rank to be suspended for carriageway resurfacing

Consultations

Kensington Park Road

Kensington and Chelsea Council is consulting on [proposed changes in Kensington Park Road](#). The consultation closes on Wednesday 24 April.

Harrow local plan

Harrow Council is consulting on a [new local plan](#). You have until Thursday 25 April to comment on the plan.

Putney Embankment trial pedestrianisation

Wandsworth Council is consulting on the [trial pedestrianisation of Putney Embankment](#). You have until Tuesday 14 May to comment on the trial.

Lambeth School Streets schemes

Lambeth Council is consulting on two phases of School Street schemes. The consultation on [Phase 3](#) closes on Monday 8 July and the [Phase 4](#) consultation closes on Monday 26 August.

VAT Treatment of Private Hire vehicles

The government is consulting on a [VAT treatment of private hire vehicles](#). You have until Thursday 8 August to respond to the consultation.

For the latest updates please follow us on X [@TfLTPH](#)

Yours sincerely,

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