

TAXI DRIVER MEDICAL - IN CONFIDENCE

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

General notes

Herefordshire Council as the Licensing Authority uses the <u>DVLA medical form</u>. You will need to download and print out the DVLA medical form for you and your doctor to complete.

This form is used by the DVLA in relation to medicals for HGV/PSV's (bus or lorry) drivers and meets what is called Group 2 standards. The group 2 standard is the standard which taxi drivers in Herefordshire have to meet.

Notes for applicant and consent

- 1. There are higher medical standards in place for the driving of a hackney carriage and private hire vehicle which you have to meet. These are available to read on the gov.uk website.
- 2. This medical report cannot be issued free of charge as part of the National Health Service. You must pay the medical examiner's fee, unless other arrangements have been made. The Licensing Authority accepts no liability to pay it.
- 3. The Medical Advisors role is to act as an independent and to fully complete the medical form based on your medical records. The Licensing Authority will determine fitness to drive, based on the information provided. It is not the responsibility of the Medical Advisor to obtain any further relevant medical evidence. This is the responsibility of the completing Doctor and at your cost. If the form is incomplete, it will be returned to you and the medical sign-off will be delayed.
- 4. The doctor completing the medical assessment will only be able to do so if they have access to your online medical records or a recent (no more than a month old) copy of your full medical records. (Summaries are not acceptable any medical based on a summary will be returned).
- 5. You must complete the grey section of the DVLA Medical form on the front page.
- You are not required to complete and sign the last page of the DVLA Medical form.
- 7. At the discretion of the Licensing Authority, medical forms, will be sent to the licensing authority's medical advisor, to independently determine if the applicant is medically fit to drive a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle.
- 8. In the case of an application with unspent convictions, it would be advisable to delay going to the expense of a medical examination until the applicant has been approved in principle by the council
- 9. You are required to sign this consent below (and return it with your DVLA medical form)

I hereby consent to the Medical Advisor to the Licensing Authority receiving reports from my doctors and specialist about my medical conditions if any matter affecting my fitness to drive arises: -

- a. In connection with my application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence
- b. During the period that a licence (if granted) is in force.

Signature



Notes for the completing Doctor

The DVLA Medical form should be filled in and completed along with Section 12.

- 1 You should complete the green section of the DVLA Medical form front page with your details
- 2 Page 2 of the DVLA Medical form Vision Assessment may be completed by an optician, optometrist or a doctor who has a recent copy of the applicant's eyesight test.
- 3 Complete sections 1 to 11 of the DVLA Medical form. You should only complete this if you have access to the applicant's online medical records or a recent (no more than a month old) copy of their full medical record (Summaries are not acceptable).
- 4 If you are completing Section 1-11 of the DVLA Medical form you must sign Section 12.
- 5 Section 13 (below): This should be left blank as the decision regarding fitness to drive rests with the Licensing Authority based on the information provided in the medical form.
- 6 Please provide as much detail as possible with relevant questions. In addition where specific relevant medical investigations have taken place (e.g. exercise cardiac testing, echocardiography, EEG) or where relevant specialist reports (e.g. outpatient or discharge reports) are available then copies of these should accompany the application form. Such clinical information should be marked 'Medical in Confidence OH Physician'. Failure to do so may delay the medical sign-off process.
- 7 The Medical Advisors role is to complete the medical form based on the applicants' medical records. It is not the responsibility of the Council's Medical Advisor to obtain any further relevant medical evidence. This is the responsibility of the completing Doctor and at the cost of the applicant. If the form is incomplete, it will be returned to the applicant and the sign-off will be delayed.
- **8** Any form which is incomplete will be returned to the driver to return back to the completing doctor.
- **9** The completed and signed form should then be sent to the applicant who will forward this to the Licensing Authority.
- **10** Please complete the Medical practitioners form below (Section 12) and include with the DVLA Medical form to be returned to the applicant.



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Section 12 Completing Medical Practitioner's Declaration

Please ensure all sections of the form have been completed. This form will be returned to you if you do not do this and may delay the application.

I confirm that the report was completed by me at the examination. I also confirm that I am currently GMC registered and licensed to practise in the UK.

I certify that in completing this medical form I have had access to, the applicant's:

Tiels are as without
Tick as required
Online Medical Records□ Copy of their medical record □
The copy of the medical records was dated (within the last month)
Yes □ No □
The records were issued by (name of surgery)
Name
GMC Number:
Signature:
Date
Address including postcode:
Telephone Number
Surgery Stamp



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Section 13 Fitness to drive a hackney carriage / private hire vehicle

This can only be completed by an accredited specialist in occupational medicine, who is registered with the GMC and licensed to practice in the UK and has had training in the requirements of meeting the DVLA Group 2 driving standards

In my opinion the following applicant:

Name of applicant
Date of birth of applicant
(Please tick appropriate box)
Is considered medically fit to drive a hackney carriage / private hire vehicle Is not considered medically fit to drive a hackney carriage / private hire vehicle Further medical evidence needs to be provided and the application is delayed (This is the responsibility of the completing Doctor and at the cost of the applicant) Comments and actions
Review date:
Medical advisor to the licensing authority details Name:
GMC number:
Signature:
Date:
Address including postcode: