

Road Transport Licensing Committee

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APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS AND NOTICES

The Road Transport Act 2001 ("the Act") and the Road Transport Regulations 2018 require the Road Transport Licensing Committee ("the RTLC" or "the Committee") to publish details of applications, meetings and decisions.

If you wish to view an application, please contact the RTLC Secretary at noel.capewell@gov.im.

Copies of all monthly newsletters are available on the RTLC website: www.gov.im/rtlc.

OBJECTIONS

The Act provides for the RTLC to consider objections to applications in certain circumstances. Any person considering submitting an objection should first read the "Note on the submission by members of the public of objections to applications made to the RTLC" ("the Note") which is published in the "Downloadable Documents" section on front page of the [RTLC website](http://www.gov.im/rtlc).

The Note sets out the procedure for submitting an objection, including the circumstances in which the RTLC is able to consider objections. Please be aware that the RTLC has no power to consider objections outside of the circumstances outlined in the Note.

RTLC OFFICE

The RTLC office operates on an **appointment only basis**. If you come to the office without an appointment you may have a wasted journey as there might not be anyone available to assist you.

NOTICES

NEW RTLC INSPECTOR

As some of you may already be aware, a new RTLC Inspector has been appointed. His name is Byron Mercer and he can be reached by email at byron.mercer@gov.im or rtlc@gov.im.

NEW ADMIN OFFICER

A new Admin Officer has also been appointed and her name is Fatemeh Rahimpoor. She can be reached by email at fatemeh.rahimpoor@gov.im or rtlc@gov.im.

DISPLAY OF PPV DRIVER'S BADGES WHILE DRIVING

I would remind all Operators that a PPV Driver **MUST** display or wear their PPV driver badge while they are driving a PPV.

Regulation 3(a) of The Public Passenger Vehicles (Conduct of Drivers, Inspectors and Conductors) Regulations 2002 states that;

"3. Conduct of Drivers

A driver of a public passenger vehicle, when acting in such a capacity shall –

(a) at all times wear or display the licence badge issued to him by the Committee in a visible position;"

Regulation 9 goes onto state that;

"Contravention of any prescribed requirements of these regulations shall be an offence punishable on summary conviction by a fine not exceeding £1,000."

If you are a PPV driver yourself, please take heed of this message. If you have people driving for you, please pass this message onto them. Drivers who contravene these regulations may face further action.

MARKING OF A PLY FOR HIRE VEHICLE

It has come to the RTLC's attention that there are multiple ply for hire vehicles currently operating that have no taxi roof sign, nor any way of alerting the public that they are available for hire.

This is not acceptable and is contrary to The Road Transport (Marking of Vehicles) Regulations 2002. Regulation 8(1) of these regulations states that;

"8. Marking of vehicles plying for hire

A driver of a public passenger vehicle, when acting in such a capacity shall –

(1) A public passenger vehicle which is being used for standing or plying for hire in a road or other public place shall be fitted with a means of indicating to the public when the vehicle is available for hire, whether on a road or in any other public place."

Regulation 10 goes on to state that;

"10. Offences

Where a public passenger vehicle is used in contravention of regulation 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 each of the following shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £500–

*(a) the person by whom the vehicle is being used, and
(b) the person by whom the vehicle is being driven."*

I would strongly urge all Ply for Hire operators to ensure that you are complying with these regulations by either having a roof sign on your taxi or some other way of alerting the public when your vehicle is available for hire.

It is appreciated that if you are not currently complying with this regulation it may take some time to obtain a suitable roof sign or similar "available for hire" sign. However, any Ply for Hire taxis that are found to still not be compliant with the above regulation by **December 15th 2023** may face further action.

APPLICATIONS

1. Park House Nursery – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant by moving from Part “B” of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles (“PPVs”) to Part “A”.

The registered address of the operator is IoM Business Park, Cooil Road, Braddan.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Private Hire minibus.

Any potential objectors should refer to the “Objections” section on page 1 of this AD&N Circular for information on the correct procedure for making objections, including the circumstances in which the RTLC is able to consider objections.

2. King William’s College – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant by moving from Part “B” of the Register of PPVs to Part “A”.

The registered address of the operator is King William’s College, Castletown.

The applicant currently has approval to operate four Private Hire minibuses.

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3. BL Wicklow – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire car.

The operating centre is identified in the application as 9 Cullyn Path, Douglas. This is already an approved operating centre for this registration and so an assurance from the Planning Section at the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture (“Planning”) will not be required.

The registered address of the operator is 96 Anagh Coar Road, Douglas.

The applicant currently has approval to operate five Private Hire minibuses and one Private Hire car (but is not currently operating her full allocation of PPVs).

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4. L Joyce – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through the addition of an operating centre.

The new operating centre is identified in the application as 10 Knock Rushen, Castletown. An assurance from Planning will not be required.

The registered address of the operator is 24 Cronk View Crescent, Ballakilly, Port Erin.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the East District and one Private Hire car.

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5. KA Gogov – New Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence (“S29 Licence”)

To apply for a S29 licence which would replace the existing licence on expiry, through the provision of one Ply for Hire taxi in the East District.

The registered address of the Operator is Flat 4, 9 Belmont Terrace, Douglas.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the East District.

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6. KJ Kinrade – New Operator Registration

To register as a new operator under Part “A” of the Register of PPVs through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire car.

The registered address / operating centre is identified in the application as 108 Anagh Coar Road, Douglas.

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7. MJ Bell, t/a Premier Taxis Limited – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire car along with the addition of an operating centre.

The new operating centre is identified in the application as 13 The Meadows, Castletown. An assurance from Planning will not be required.

The registered address of the operator is 19 Ballachrink, Colby.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the South District, one Private Hire car and one Private Hire minibus.

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8. JR Newton – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through a change of registered address / operating centre.

The new registered address / operating centre is identified in the application as 3 Raglan Apartments, 10 The Promenade, Castletown. An assurance from Planning will not be required.

If successful, the applicant will be surrendering Heather Bank, Pinfold Hill, Laxey as an approved operating centre.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the Malew District.

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9. JD Quine – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through a change of registered address / operating centre. The applicant would further like to vary his Operator Registration through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire minibus.

The new registered address / operating centre is identified in the application as 52 Malew Street, Castletown. An assurance from Planning will not be required.

If successful, the applicant will be surrendering 1 Orry Place, Castletown as an approved operating centre.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Private Hire car.

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10. Davies PK, t/a Pauls Taxis – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the Operator Registration of the applicant through the addition of two operating centres.

The new operating centres are identified in the application as;

- 5 The Corony, Maughold.
- 24 Sartfell Road, Douglas.

An assurance from Planning will not be required for either centre.

The registered address of the operator is 16 Ballacroscha, Ballaugh.

If successful, the applicant will be surrendering the following operating centres;

- 42 Queens Pier Road, Ramsey.
- 4 Snugborough Estate, Union Mills.

The applicant currently has approval to operate two Ply for Hire taxis in the South and Malew Districts, one Ply for Hire taxi in the North West District and two Private Hire cars.

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11. V Pitel t/a Real Taxi – Variation of Operator Registration and S29 Licence

To vary the Operator Registration and S29 licence of the applicant through the addition of the right to operate one section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the Malew District.

The RTLC has received notification from the current Operator Registration of AL Sutton of the intent to terminate that portion of his S29 licence provided that the application is approved by the RTLC.

The applicant would like to combine the new (to him) Malew District with his current East District that the applicant is currently permitted to operate onto one vehicle. There will be no overall increase in the number of service licences in use or authorised Ply for Hire vehicles.

The applicant would further like to vary his Operator Registration through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire car.

The new operating centre is identified in the application as St Ninian's Church car park, St Ninian's Church, Douglas. An assurance from Planning will not be required.

The registered address of the operator is Flat 2, 50 Bucks Road, Douglas.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the East District.

RTLCL MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTLCL for public passenger vehicles which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 14th December, 23rd January and 27th February at Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

The applications listed in this AD&N are likely to be heard at one of these meetings as long as the RTLCL has all of the information that it requires (e.g. assurances from Planning). All individuals that are required to attend a meeting will receive a formal invitation letter prior to the meeting.

Should you require information on the timetables for any upcoming meetings, please contact the RTLCL office. If you intend to observe any meeting in public that you are not specifically invited to, it would be appreciated if you could inform RTLCL staff of your intentions prior to the meeting. This information is required to ensure that there is sufficient space at the meeting to accommodate any observers. Should there not be sufficient space at Thie Slieau Whallian, a different venue for the meeting would have to be found and this could delay proceedings.

Noel Capewell
Secretary,
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