



Taxi and Private Hire Privacy Notice

In order to carry out the day to day taxi and private hire licensing functions all applicants and licensees must submit a range of personal information to Transport for London (TfL). The Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA) regulates the use of personal information by organisations, including TfL, and the London Taxi and Private Hire (LTPH) Privacy Notice sets out how TfL will use the data provided by all applicants and licensees.

From the New Year a list showing the name and licence number of drivers whose licence has been revoked as a result of a touting conviction will be published on the TfL website and the Privacy Notice has been updated to cover the publication of this information.

Any licensed private hire driver convicted or cautioned for touting will have their private hire driver's licence revoked. Any driver who decides to appeal against a caution or conviction for touting should inform TfL immediately.

Touting is a serious offence that puts the public at risk and is a threat to the business of licensed and law abiding taxi and private hire drivers. The publication of the name and licence number of drivers who have been convicted of touting and had their licence revoked is intended to deter licensed drivers from illegally touting, improve public safety and support TfL's Safer Travel at Night initiative.

The updated statement is attached and will be included on all new taxi and private hire application forms and licences over time.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Mason".

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For previous Notices visit tfl.gov.uk/tph

John Mason
Director, Taxi and Private Hire

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Transport for London (TfL) its subsidiaries and service providers will use your personal information (including any references to your health, ethnic origin, nationality, or previous criminal convictions), for the purpose of assessing your application, administering the licensing regime, and equal opportunities monitoring. Your personal information will be properly safeguarded and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 1998.

Your name, badge/licence number and the status, start/expiry date of your licence may be made available on request or on a register for public inspection. If you have licensed a vehicle, the vehicle registration mark, licence number and expiry date may also be made available in the same way. Information obtained by the police about taxi/private hire related criminal offences may be disclosed to TfL and used by TfL to refuse, suspend or revoke a taxi or private hire driver, operator or vehicle licence. TfL may inform the police of any decision to refuse, suspend or revoke a licence and information about drivers whose licence has been revoked following a conviction for touting may be published on the TfL website for a period of up to 11 months. In certain circumstances, TfL may also share your personal information with the police and other law enforcement agencies for the purposes of the prevention or detection of crime.

Your name and contact details may be disclosed to an external research company to conduct research amongst licensees on TfL's behalf. This research will be related to TfL's responsibilities for licensing, regulation, and integration between taxis/private hire services and other elements of the transport system. Your details will not be used for any marketing or other research activities.

More information about how TfL uses and protects personal information about taxi/private hire licensees is available at www.tfl.gov.uk/privacy.