

Outlining the effects of GM Clean Air Plan and GM Minimum Licensing Standards on licensed vehicles – Tameside

Average/Most Common Vehicle in Each District (incl. Age)				
District	Private Hire Vehicle		Hackney Carriage	
	Make/Model	Year	Make/Model	Year
Tameside	Toyota Auris	2014	Mercedes Vito	2013

Scenario One – Tameside

Silver 2014 diesel Skoda Octavia. The vehicle is licensed with Tameside Council as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Clean Air Zone

As the vehicle has a Euro V Diesel engine, it would not comply with the Clean Air Zone proposed for introduction in Spring 2022 and would therefore be charged £7.50 each day if it was used in Greater Manchester. A discounted charge of only 5 out of 7 days per week for vehicles licensed by Greater Manchester local authorities and also used as a private car is proposed.

Minimum Licensing Standards

As the car is registered in 2014 it would comply with the proposed MLS until 2024 when a replacement vehicle would need to be obtained. This vehicle would need to be white and also meet age and emissions standards.

Financial Support

Under the Clean Air Zone programme, subject to the award of government funding, it is proposed that financial support may be available to assist in obtaining a replacement compliant vehicle, including either:

- A £1,000 grant or vehicle finance contribution towards a replacement compliant petrol or diesel vehicle is available;
- A £2,000 grant or vehicle finance contribution towards replacement to a hybrid or plug-in hybrid; or
- A £2,500 running costs grant for replacement with a zero emissions capable vehicle.

Scenario Two – Tameside

Black 2013 diesel wheelchair accessible Mercedes Vito, licensed as a hackney carriage with Tameside Council.

Clean Air Zone

As the vehicle has a Euro V and therefore non-compliant engine, it would not comply with the proposed Clean Air Zone due for introduction in Spring 2022. However, as a Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle, it is subject to a temporary exemption from the charge, meaning it would not be liable for charging until the start of 2023, when it would be charged £7.50 each day it was used in GM.

Minimum Licensing Standards

As the vehicle is registered in 2013 it would not comply with the proposed MLS age requirements after 2023. Therefore, a replacement vehicle would need to be obtained before this date, when a black, age and emissions compliant and wheelchair accessible vehicle would need to be presented for licensing as a hackney carriage.

Financial Support

Under the Clean Air Zone programme, subject to the award of government funding, it is proposed that financial support is available to assist in obtaining a replacement compliant vehicle, including either:

- £10,000 per vehicle for a running costs grant or a contribution for vehicle finance, for a replacement zero emissions capable vehicle.

Further UK Government funding may also be available including;

- UK government grant available of up to £7,500 for purchasing a new zero emissions capable vehicle, on top of the £10,000 grant
- UK Government grant of up to £3,000 for new plug-in vehicles.