

### Standard Conditions for Taxi Vehicle Licence

1. No more than \*\*\*\* passengers shall be carried in the vehicle.
2. With regard to condition No. 30 any proposed notice advert printed bill etc., shall be submitted to the licensing authority in its proposed form and size for approval prior to being displayed on or/within the vehicle.
3. The holder of a taxi licence shall require the taxi to undergo and pass an annual inspection by South Ayrshire Council. On receiving the requisite notice, in writing, from South Ayrshire Council, he shall produce the taxi for examination at such time and place as may be reasonably required by South Ayrshire Council.
4. The holder of a taxi licence, when the taxi is damaged in a vehicular accident or by any other means, shall report the damage to South Ayrshire Council as soon as practicable and, if the taxi is roadworthy, he shall present it for examination within the following two working days (being days on which the testing facilities operate) after the occurrence. As soon as repairs to the taxi have been completed the taxi shall be re-examined.
5. The holder of a taxi licence shall not ask a driver of a taxi to do anything which would result in the driver committing a breach of the conditions attaching to the grant of the driver's licence.
6. The holder of a taxi licence shall keep an up-to-date list of the names and addresses and licence numbers of all taxi drivers employed by him.
7. The holder of a taxi licence shall take steps to ensure that all taxi drivers employed by him adhere to the conditions attached to the drivers licence.
8. The holder of a taxi licence shall be bound to fulfil, or cause to be fulfilled, at the time and location specified, an engagement to hire the taxi which he has accepted, unless prevented by sufficient cause.
9. The holder of a taxi licence shall hold in his own name the certificate of insurance in relation to the taxi required by Part VI of the Road Traffic Act 1972; and the requisite vehicle registration document shall be held in the name of the licence holder or in the name of an established and reputable vehicle leasing company; and where more than one name appears on the taxi licence the certificate of insurance and the vehicle registration document shall be held in the name of at least one of the persons whose names appear on the taxi licence, or, in the case of the vehicle registration document, in the name of an established and reputable vehicle leasing company.
10. If the holder of a taxi licence leases the taxi it will be his responsibility to ensure that the lease agreement contains no provisions which conflict with, or obstruct or in any way interfere with his compliance with, the conditions under this licence.
11. The holder of a taxi licence shall ensure that, while the vehicle is in use as a taxi, only plates issued by South Ayrshire Council for the purpose of indicating that the vehicle is a taxi, are displayed at all times in positions approved by South Ayrshire Council.

12. The holder of a taxi licence shall not obliterate or deface any plate or other thing which has been issued by South Ayrshire Council for the purpose of indicating that the vehicle is a taxi and which is fixed to the taxi. If any such plate or other thing becomes obliterated or defaced so as not to be distinctly visible or legible or if any such plate or other thing is lost, the holder of the taxi licence shall report this to South Ayrshire Council as soon as practicable in order to obtain from South Ayrshire Council a replacement plate or other thing.
13. The holder of a taxi licence shall obtain from South Ayrshire Council a notice or notices detailing the table of approved maximum taxi fares and charges appropriate to exclusive or to shared hire of the taxi and will display the notice or notices as appropriate in the passenger compartment of the taxi in such a position that it or they will be readily visible to the passengers being carried and (subject to Condition 24 below) no other table of fares and charges shall be displayed.
14. The holder of a taxi licence shall, unless the cost of the journey is regulated by South Ayrshire Council fare structure, and if the taxi is not being used as a taxi-bus, take steps to ensure that any potential hirer of the taxi is informed, prior to acceptance of the hire, (a) that the fare is not so regulated; and (b) the cost, or the method of calculating the cost, of the proposed journey and, further, that at the completion of the journey no more than the fare so agreed upon be exacted or demanded.
15. The holder of a taxi licence shall not display on the vehicle any signs for the purpose of advertising its services as a taxi other than those approved by South Ayrshire Council.
16. The holder of a taxi licence shall display on the roof of the taxi a sign of a type approved by South Ayrshire Council for the purpose of identifying the vehicle as a taxi; and while the taxi is available for shared hire he shall display in such position as approved by South Ayrshire Council a sign of a type approved by South Ayrshire Council for the purpose of indicating that the taxi is available for shared hire.
17. The holder of a taxi licence shall, at any time when the taxi is being used as a taxi-bus, cause to be displayed on the taxi, in such a position and in such a form as may be prescribed by South Ayrshire Council, a notice which indicates that the taxi is being used as a taxi-bus.
18. The holder of a taxi licence shall only have affixed to, and used on, the taxi a taximeter which has been tested and approved by South Ayrshire Council as appropriate to the type of hire (whether exclusive or shared) for which the taxi is available or on which it is engaged. This condition shall not apply to any taxi while it is in use as a taxi-bus.
19. The holder of a taxi licence shall not use, or cause to permit to be used, on a taxi, a road wheel or tyre of a different circumference from that for which the taximeter affixed to the taxi was designed, geared, and has been tested by South Ayrshire Council.

20. The holder of a taxi licence, shall only use a taximeter which has been stamped or sealed by South Ayrshire Council after testing and approval as to distance and time in accordance with the approved taxi fares and charges. Once a taximeter is fitted to the taxi he shall not tamper with the taximeter or break or tamper with any seal or stamp on such taximeter or any attachment affixed thereto by the manufacturer or South Ayrshire Council except to remove the taximeter for repair or replacement. Should the seal be broken, the taximeter shall be re-tested and passed by or on behalf of South Ayrshire Council before being used again.
21. The holder of a taxi licence shall ensure that the taximeter fitted to the taxi is in a position approved by South Ayrshire Council.
22. The holder of a taxi licence shall not knowingly use, or cause or permit to be used, the taxi, other than as a taxi-bus, during any period that the seals affixed to the taximeter and, where so affixed to the vehicle, are broken or detached.
23. The holder of a taxi licence shall not knowingly use, or cause to permit to be used, a taximeter which is in any way defective.
24. The holder of a taxi licence shall, at any time when the taxi is being used as a taxi-bus, cause to be displayed in the taxi, in such a position and in such a form as may be prescribed by South Ayrshire Council so that it is clearly legible to passengers, a fare table containing sufficient information to enable a passenger to ascertain the fare for his journey or the manner in which that fare is calculated.
25. The holder of a taxi licence must carry in a suitable fastener in the taxi, a fire extinguisher of a type and in a position approved by South Ayrshire Council.
26. The holder of a taxi licence must provide adequate means for carrying and securing a reasonable amount of luggage in the taxi in such a manner as not to inconvenience the passengers.
27. Where there is a material change of circumstances affecting the licence holder, or the activity to which the licence relates, the licence holder must notify South Ayrshire Council of the change as soon as reasonably practicable after it has taken place.
28. The licence holder shall deliver this licence document to South Ayrshire Council where the licence relates to an activity which he/she has given up or has had suspended/revoked and that within seven days of the said surrender/suspension/revocation.
29. In the conditions:

"exclusive", as applied to the hire of a taxi, means that a single fare is payable by any one passenger for the whole hire of the taxi, whether or not more than one passenger is carried; and "exclusive hire" shall be construed accordingly;

"shared", as applied to the hire of a taxi, means that each passenger is carried at a separate fare, payable to the driver; and "shared hire" shall be construed accordingly; and

"taxi-bus" means a taxi which is being used, under special licence granted under section 12 of the Transport Act 1985, to provide a local service which is or requires to be registered under Part I of that Act, has been previously advertised and which has a destination and route which are not entirely at the discretion of the passengers.

30. No notice, advertisement, printed bill or similar notice shall be visible from outwith the taxi, except with the express consent of the licensing authority.
31. The holder of a taxi licence shall ensure that the taxi, including all bodywork, upholstery and fittings, is in a safe and serviceable condition and, subject to prevailing road conditions, is in a clean condition.