

Please be aware that the process for renewing your Vehicle Licence requires that your application is submitted *no less than 14 days* before the licence is due to expire.

Application Process for a Hackney Carriage Licence

All applicants must provide the following information with their application:

Fees	INFORMATION REQUIRED	Tick
	Provide a Completed Vehicle Licence Application Form and Fee which includes 1 Year Vehicle Licence 1 set of Plates	
	On first application for a new Vehicle Licence, and on renewal of a vehicle, you must provide an MOT Test Certificate from a Council Approved Test Centre which is no more than 1 month old at the time of application. A further MOT from a Council Approved Test Centre will be required six months later. Failure to provide this may result in penalty points being issued.	
	When submitting an MOT, you must provide evidence that all 'advisories' and 'minor defects' on the MOT have been attended to.	
	You will need to make your own arrangements to have your vehicle inspected at an Approved Centre.	
	The current Approved Test Centres are;	
	 Moorlands Garage Services, Burton Street, Leek, Staffordshire ST13 8BU. Service & Repairs 01538 383783 	
	SB Autos, Regent Street Leek ST13 6LP - 01538 528030	
	Cheadle Test Centre, Sarraine Ind. Park, Brookhouse Way, ST10 1SR - 01538 750737	
	Knypersley MOT Test Centre, Tunstall Road Ind. Estate, Knypersley ST8 7BD - 01782 522222	
	You will need to obtain the Test Certificate direct from the Test Centre – they will no longer be sent to the Council.	

You must provide a current Vehicle Registration Document or Green New Keeper Slip	
You must provide a valid Insurance Certificate or Cover Note	
For a New Vehicle Application, at first application, vehicles must meet or exceed Euro 6 (Diesel) Euro 4 (Petrol) emissions standards.	
For a Renewal Application, At renewal from 01 April 2025 vehicle licences WILL NOT be renewed in respect of any licensed vehicle that does not meet or exceed Euro 6 emissions standards (Diesel) Euro 4 (Petrol) emissions standards. When the vehicle reaches a recorded mileage of 300,000 (as evidenced via the odometer/service records/maintenance history or other documentation) they will be deemed inappropriate to be licensed by the Authority as a Hackney Carriage vehicle.	
If you are not a licensed driver or operator with Staffordshire Moorlands District Council. You will need to make an application for a Basic Disclosure on-line at https://www.disclosurescotland.co.uk/ The Disclosure must be no more than one month old at the time of your Vehicle Licence application.	

FOR FURTHER DETAILS ON APPLICATION WE DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE COUNCIL'S TAXI POLICY WHICH CAN BE ACCESSED AT;

https://www.staffsmoorlands.gov.uk/article/458/Taxi-licensing