

Options for Roof signs conditions

Section 48 (2) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states:

A district Council may attach to the grant of a licence under this section such conditions as they may consider reasonably necessary including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions of this subsection, conditions requiring or prohibiting the display of signs on or from the vehicle to which the licence relates.

Options: the following options are available to the Licensing Committee to recommend:

1. To prohibit the use of roof signs.
2. Take no action and continue to prohibit roof lights and allow the use of roof signs subject to obligations placed on persons by the Transport Act 1980 Section 64.
3. To allow the display of roof lights or signs
4. To require the display of roof lights or signs.

Should roof lights or signs be allowed or required, the Licensing Committee may wish to recommend a specification.

Conditions that might be recommended include:

1. No licensed private hire vehicle shall display a 'roof sign' on the roof, bonnet or boot.
2. A private hire vehicle shall at all times display a roof sign in accordance with the Council requirements specified below.

3. The size of the sign shall not be greater than Xmm long, Ymm wide and Zmm high.
4. The colour of the sign shall be (x) on the front and (y) on the back. [the sign may be required to comply with British Standards]
5. The sign shall only include the words (pre-booked only) (phone numbers) (name of company) (private hire vehicle)
6. The size of the font shall be not less than [to be specified]
7. The size of the font shall be not more than [to be specified]
8. The size of all numbers and letters shall be equal
9. Signs shall not be illuminated
10. Signs shall only be placed on the (front) (rear) (centre) of the vehicle roof.