GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY ACT 1999
METROPOLITAN PUBLIC CARRIAGE ACT 1869
LONDON CAB AND STAGE CARRIAGE ACT 1907
LONDON CAB ACT 1968

The London Cab Order 2007

Made 27 February 2007
Coming into force 2 April 2007

Transport for London, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 9 of the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act 1869(a), section 1 of the London Cab and Stage Carriage Act 1907(b) and sections 1 and 2 of the London Cab Act 1968(c) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with appropriate bodies appearing to it to represent the owners and drivers of cabs, hereby makes the following Order:—

1 Citation and commencement

(1) This Order may be cited as the London Cab Order 2007.

(2) This Order shall come into force on 2 April 2007 with the exception of paragraph 14 which shall come into force on 14 April 2007.

2 Preliminary

The London Cab Order 1934(d) ("the Principal Order") shall be further amended in accordance with the following provisions of this Order.

(a) 1869 c. 115; a relevant amendment is made by the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c. 29), Schedule 20, paragraph 5.
(b) 1907 c. 55; a relevant amendment is made by the Greater London Authority Act 1999, Schedule 20, paragraph 6.
(c) 1968 c. 7; sections 1 and 2 were amended by the Greater London Authority Act 1999, Schedule 20, paragraph 7 and Schedule 34.
3 Replacement of paragraph 5
The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 5 of the Principal Order—

"5 Applications for Cab Licences

(1) Every application for a cab licence shall be made in such form, and include such declarations and information as Transport for London may require.

(2) Where the cab is jointly owned or owned by a partnership firm or a limited liability company, the application shall be made in the name of one of the joint owners or by the senior partner of the firm, or the Secretary, Manager or other duly authorised officer of the company, as the case may be, and that person shall for the purposes of this Part of this Order be deemed to be the applicant for the licence, and the licence if granted shall be issued to him.

(3) Transport for London may in its discretion require applicants to provide different information depending on whether or not the applicant has previously held or currently holds a cab licence or cab drivers licence."

4 Replacement of paragraph 7
The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 7 of the Principal Order—

"7 Grant of Cab Licences

Transport for London shall grant a cab licence if it is satisfied that:—

(a) the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a cab licence;

(b) the vehicle in respect of which the application is made conforms to the conditions of fitness from time to time laid down by Transport for London; and

(c) the requirements of paragraph 8 of this Order as to liability to third parties are met."

5 Revocation of paragraph 9
Paragraph 9 of the Principal Order shall be omitted.

6 Replacement of paragraph 10
The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 10 of the Principal Order—
"10 Presentation of Motor Cabs for Licensing

The applicant for licence for a motor cab shall present the vehicle for inspection and testing by Transport for London within such period and at such place Transport for London may by notice require."

7 Replacement of paragraph 11

The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 11 of the Principal Order—

"11 Presentation of Horse Cabs for Licensing

The applicant for licence for a horse cab shall present the vehicle for inspection and testing by Transport for London within such period and at such place Transport for London may by notice require."

8 Replacement of paragraph 12

The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 12 of the Principal Order—

"12 Affixing of plates, etc

(1) On granting a cab licence Transport for London shall cause to be affixed to the cab

(a) the plates and notices described in Schedule B to this Order in the positions required by that Schedule; and

(b) such notices or marks as Transport for London may from time to time direct.

(2) The said plates shall remain the property of Transport for London."

9 Revocation of paragraph 13

Paragraph 13 of the Principal Order shall be omitted.

10 Amendment of paragraph 14

(1) Paragraph 14 of the Principal Order shall be amended as follows—

(a) the following subparagraph shall be substituted for subparagraph 14(m)—

“(m) The licensee, if during the currency of the licence he ceases to be the owner of the cab to which the licence relates, shall within 14 days of the change of ownership:—

(i) notify Transport for London and return the licence to Transport for London for cancellation, and before delivering the cab to its new owner remove and deliver up to Transport for London or a Public Carriage Examiner the plates affixed to the cab in pursuance of this Order; or
(ii) apply jointly with the new owner to Transport for London, in accordance with paragraph 14A, to have the licence transferred to the new owner.

(b) the following subparagraph shall be added following subparagraph 14(m)—

"(o) The licensee of a motor cab shall, not more than 7 months after the start of the licence period, present the vehicle for inspection and testing by Transport for London within such period and at such place Transport for London may by notice require."

11 Addition of paragraph 14A

The following paragraph shall be added following paragraph 14 of the Principal Order—

"14A Transfer of Cab Licence

Transport for London shall transfer a licence from a previous vehicle owner to a new owner upon an application being made in accordance with paragraph 14(m)(ii) if:—

(a) the application is made in such form, and include such declarations and information as Transport for London may require; and

(b) the new owner satisfies Transport for London that he is a fit and proper person to hold a cab licence."

12 Amendment of paragraph 16

Paragraph 16 of the Principal Order shall be amended by the additional of the following subparagraph after subparagraph (3)—

"(4) If a licensed cab is granted a new licence that is to take effect following the expiration of the current licence it may ply for hire whilst displaying plates and notices related to that new licence rather than the current licence."

13 Replacement of paragraph 40

The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 40 of the Principal Order—

"40 Fares for motor cabs

(1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (3) and (4), the maximum fare payable for the hiring for a journey of a motor cab shall be the aggregate of the following amounts—

(a) a hiring charge of £1.80; and

(b) a sum arrived at by reference to the length and duration of the journey in accordance with such of the rates specified in sub-
paragraph (2) as are applicable in the circumstances of the journey.

(2) The rates are—

(a) for any part of the journey which takes place between the hours of 6 am and 8 pm, on any day except a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday,

(i) during which the cab travels at a speed exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 155.2 metres or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £14.40 or more, the rate of 20p for 108.8 metres;

(ii) during which the cab is stationary or travels at a speed not exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 33.4 seconds or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £14.40 or more, the rate of 20p for 23.4 seconds;

(b) for any part of the journey that takes place on a Saturday or Sunday (other than a public holiday) between the hours of 6 am and 8 pm, or on any day (other than a public holiday) between the hours of 8 pm and 10 pm,

(i) during which the cab travels at a speed exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 126.0 metres or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £17.20 or more, the rate of 20p for 108.8 metres;

(ii) during which the cab is stationary or travels at a speed not exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 27.1 seconds or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £17.20 or more, the rate of 20p for 23.4 seconds;

(c) for any part of the journey that takes place between 10 pm on any day and 6 am on the following day or at any time on a public holiday—

(i) during which the cab travels at a speed exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 101.9 metres or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £20.80 or more, the rate of 20p for 108.8 metres;

(ii) during which the cab is stationary or travels at a speed not exceeding 4.65 metres per second, the rate of 20p for 22.6 seconds or, if the fare shown on the taximeter (exclusive of sums payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (4)) is £20.80 or more, the rate of 20p for 23.4 seconds.
(3) Where the sum arrived at in accordance with sub-paragraphs (1) and (2)—

(a) is less than £2.20 the fare shall be £2.20;

(b) exceeds £2.20 but is not a multiple of 20p, the fare shall be the sum so arrived at rounded up to the next highest multiple of 20p.

(4) In addition to the fare for hiring a motor cab provided for in sub-paragraphs (1) to (3), the following amounts shall, subject to sub-paragraph (5), be payable by the hirer for the whole of the journey to which the hiring relates—

(a) £4.00 for a hiring beginning or ending between the hours of 8 pm on 24th December and 6 am on 27th December or the hours of 8 pm on 31st December and 6 am on 2nd January;

(b) £2.00 for a hiring arranged by telephone;

(c) £2.00 for a hiring beginning at a rank at Heathrow Airport;

(d) £40.00 if, during the hiring, the cab is soiled in such a way that it has to be taken out of service for cleaning.

(5) The amounts provided for in sub-paragraph (4) shall only be payable—

(a) in the case of that prescribed by sub-paragraph (4)(d), if and to the extent that the amount is displayed on a notice prominently displayed in the cab so as to be clearly legible by the hirer;

(b) in any other case, if and to the extent that the amount is shown on the taximeter.

(6) In sub-paragraph (2) "public holiday" means Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year’s Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday and any other day which is a bank holiday in England and Wales under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971( ) or by Royal Proclamation.”

14 Replacement of paragraph 41

The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 41 of the Principal Order—

"41 Provision of receipt on request

The driver of a motor cab shall, if so requested by a passenger during or immediately after a journey, provide the passenger with a receipt for the fare paid by him for that journey."
15 Revocation of Schedule A
   Schedule A of the Principal Order shall be omitted.

16 Replacement of Schedule C
   The following Schedule shall be substituted for Schedule C of the Principal Order—

   "SCHEDULE 3
   FORM OF CAB LICENCE

   Article 14

   *MOTOR / HORSE CAB LICENCE

   Cab Licence No:                      Start Date:
   *Vehicle Registration Mark:          Expiry Date:

   Having been appointed by Transport for London to grant Cab Licences under
   the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act, 1869, I hereby grant to: **

   a Cab Licence in respect of the *motor / horse cab identified above to ply for
   hire within the Metropolitan Police District and the City of London.

   The number of persons that this cab is licensed to carry is . ***This cab
   is licensed to carry luggage on the roof.

   This licence is granted subject to compliance by the licensee with the
   provisions of all Acts, Regulations and Orders relating to the use of *motor /
   horse cabs and the licence conditions specified therein.

   This licence shall be in force for one year from the Start Date specified above
   unless sooner revoked or suspended. Where the period between Date of
   Issue and Expiry Date is more than 12 months, this licence has been issued
   on the basis that there is a pre-existing valid licence which covers the
   intervening period.

   Signed on behalf of Transport for London                     Date of issue:
Notes on completing the licence (not to be printed on licence)

*The licence shall specify either motor cab or horse cab, as the case may be. Delete the word "motor" or "horse" as appropriate. Omit reference to vehicle registration mark for horse cabs.

**Where a licensee is himself the owner or part owner of the cab, his name and address are to be inserted here, with the words "on behalf of ......................... ", as necessary. Where the owner is a firm or company, the name of the licensee shall be inserted and the name and address of the firm or company, with the licensee's position therein, e.g., "A.B., Senior Partner of the firm of B. and C. (or Secretary of X.Y. & Co. Ltd.), on behalf of that firm (or company), of (insert address of firm or company).

*** This sentence relating to the carriage of luggage is only to be included on the licence if the vehicle is to be licensed to carry luggage on the roof in other cases it must be omitted. "

17 Revocation of London Cab Order 1996
The London Cab Order 1996(a) shall be revoked.

Signed by authority of Transport for London

27 February 2007

Peter Hendy
Commissioner of Transport

(a) SI 1996 No 960