



Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

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PART II

HACKNEY CARRIAGES AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES

55 Licensing of operators of private hire vehicles

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this Part of this Act, a district council shall, on receipt of an application from any person for the grant to that person of a licence to operate private hire vehicles grant to that person an operator's licence:

Provided that a district council shall not grant a licence unless they are satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold an operator's licence.

- (2) Every licence granted under this section shall remain in force for such period, not being longer than five years, as a district council may specify in the licence.
- (3) A district council may attach to the grant of a licence under this section such conditions as they may consider reasonably necessary.
- (4) Any applicant aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant an operator's licence under this section, or by any conditions attached to the grant of such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.