



2008 CHAPTER 4

PART 5

ENFORCEMENT

Power to stop and examine licensed taxis

39.—(1) An authorised officer or constable in uniform may stop and examine any licensed taxi.

(2) If an authorised officer or constable in uniform is satisfied that the taxi does not comply with regulations under section 20 for ensuring the safety of passengers in taxis, and that danger to the passengers in the taxi is likely to occur, the officer or constable may require—

- (a) the passengers to leave the taxi; and
- (b) suitable arrangements to be made by the driver of the taxi for the immediate conveyance of the passengers to the places to which they are entitled to travel in the taxi.

(3) If the driver of a taxi fails to make suitable arrangements for the immediate conveyance of passengers upon being required to do by an authorised officer or constable under subsection (2)(b) the driver is guilty of an offence

(4) It is a defence in proceedings for an offence under this section for the driver to show that the driver exercised all due diligence to avoid committing such an offence.

Commencement Information

II S. 39 in operation at 31.5.2016 by S.R. 2015/389, art. 2(3), Sch. Pt. 3

Changes to legislation:

Taxis Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, Section 39 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 18 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 39 coming into force by [S.R. 2014/300 art. 2\(3\)Sch. Pt. 3](#) (This effect not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Art. 2(3), Sch. Pt. 3 omitted (22.5.2015) by virtue of S.R. 2015/257, art. 2)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SR 2014/300 art. 2 Sch. Pt. 2 and 3 by [S.R. 2015/257 art. 2](#)