

Private Hire Vehicles (London) Act 1998

1998 CHAPTER 34

Licences: general provisions

16 Power to suspend or revoke licences.

- (1) The [FI licensing authority] may suspend or revoke a licence under this Act for any reasonable cause including (without prejudice to the generality of this subsection) any ground mentioned below.
- (2) A London PHV operator's licence may be suspended or revoked where—
 - (a) the [FI licensing authority] is no longer satisfied that the licence holder is fit to hold such a licence;
 - [F2(aa) the licence holder has, since the grant of the licence, been convicted of an immigration offence or required to pay an immigration penalty;] or
 - (b) the licence holder has failed to comply with any condition of the licence or any other obligation imposed on him by or under this Act.

I^{F3}(2A) Subsection (2)(aa) does not apply if—

- (a) in a case where the licence holder has been convicted of an immigration offence, the conviction is a spent conviction within the meaning of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, or
- (b) in a case where the licence holder has been required to pay an immigration penalty—
 - (i) more than three years have elapsed since the date on which the penalty was imposed, and
 - (ii) the amount of the penalty has been paid in full.]
- (3) A London PHV licence may be suspended or revoked where—
 - (a) the [FI licensing authority] is no longer satisfied that the vehicle to which it relates is fit for use as a private hire vehicle; or
 - (b) the owner has failed to comply with any condition of the licence or any other obligation imposed on him by or under this Act.
- (4) A London PHV driver's licence may be suspended or revoked where—

- (a) the licence holder has, since the grant of the licence, been convicted of an offence involving dishonesty, indecency or violence;
- [F4(aa) the licence holder has, since the grant of the licence, been convicted of an immigration offence or required to pay an immigration penalty;]
 - (b) the [FI licensing authority] is for any other reason no longer satisfied that the licence holder is fit to hold such a licence; or
 - (c) the licence holder has failed to comply with any condition of the licence or any other obligation imposed on him by or under this Act.

[F5(5) Subsection (4)(aa) does not apply if—

- (a) in a case where the licence holder has been convicted of an immigration offence, the conviction is a spent conviction within the meaning of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, or
- (b) in a case where the licence holder has been required to pay an immigration penalty—
 - (i) more than three years have elapsed since the date on which the penalty was imposed, and
 - (ii) the amount of the penalty has been paid in full.]

Textual Amendments

- **F1** Words in s. 16 substituted (22.1.2001) by 1999 c. 29, s. 254(3), **Sch. 21 para. 2** (with Sch. 12 para. 9(1)); S.I. 2000/3145, **art. 2**
- F2 S. 16(2)(aa) inserted (1.12.2016) by Immigration Act 2016 (c. 19), s. 94(1), Sch. 5 para. 40(2) (with Sch. 5 para. 55); S.I. 2016/1037, reg. 5(i) (with reg. 6)
- F3 S. 16(2A) inserted (1.12.2016) by Immigration Act 2016 (c. 19), s. 94(1), Sch. 5 para. 40(3) (with Sch. 5 para. 55); S.I. 2016/1037, reg. 5(i) (with reg. 6)
- F4 S. 16(4)(aa) inserted (1.12.2016) by Immigration Act 2016 (c. 19), s. 94(1), Sch. 5 para. 40(4) (with Sch. 5 para. 55); S.I. 2016/1037, reg. 5(i) (with reg. 6)
- F5 S. 16(5) inserted (1.12.2016) by Immigration Act 2016 (c. 19), s. 94(1), Sch. 5 para. 40(5) (with Sch. 5 para. 55); S.I. 2016/1037, reg. 5(i) (with reg. 6)

Commencement Information

- I1 S. 16 partly in force; s. 16 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 40(2); s. 16(1)(2) in force at 22.1.2001 by S.I. 2000/3144, art. 2
- I2 S. 16(3) in force at 8.6.2004 by S.I. 2004/241, art. 2(2)
- I3 S. 16(4) in force at 1.4.2003 by S.I. 2003/580, arts. 1(2), 2(1)(c)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Private Hire Vehicles (London) Act 1998, Section 16.