



THE HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE KNOWLEDGE TEST

The test is a multiple choice electronic test. The Hackney Carriage test comprises of 55 questions and lasts for 50 minutes. The private hire test comprises of 40 questions and lasts for 35 minutes.

The test is split into the following sections:

1. Highway Code
2. Road Signs
3. Places of Interest
4. Routes (Hackney Carriage ONLY)
5. Licence Conditions and Law
6. Numeracy

Highway Code (10 questions)

Questions will relate to such things speed limits, stopping distances, parking, pedestrian crossings, etc and are similar to questions asked on the DVLA theory test.

Pass mark for HC: 10

Pass mark for PH: 9

Road Signs (5 questions)

This section will display road signs that you need to recognise the signs.

Pass mark for HC: 5

Pass mark for PH: 5

Places of Interest (10 questions)

These include pubs, clubs, restaurants, schools, churches, public buildings, etc.

Pass mark for HC: 9

Pass mark for PH: 7

Routes (15 questions) – Hackney Carriage ONLY

You will be expected to select the shortest route between two places in the district. It will be assumed that there are no road works, blockages or anything that would stop you going by the direct route. You should take note of roundabouts, no entry signs, one-way streets, etc. when giving your answer.

Pass mark for HC: 13

Pass mark for PH: NOT TAKEN

Conditions and Law (10 questions)

Conditions relate to both hackney carriage and private hire vehicles and drivers. Please find enclosed a copy of our current conditions. Questions may also be asked about law relating to driving and also specifically to hackney carriage and private hire.

Pass mark for HC: 10

Pass mark for PH: 10

Numeracy (5 questions – pass mark 80%)

Questions relate to the cost of fares and the change you must give the customer.

Pass mark for HC: 4

Pass mark for PH: 4

Please remember that your application fee only allows for four attempts of the knowledge test.

If you are not successful on a particular test, you will only be expected to answer questions on the sections you have not previously passed.

Example Questions:

Question 1/55 (Highway Code) : If a set of traffic signals is displaying red and amber together what is the next colour to show

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- Red
- Green
- Green and Amber
- Red and green

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Question 11/55 (Road Signs) : What does this sign mean?

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- Do not proceed further in this lane
- Change lane
- Proceed with caution
- The motorway is closed ahead turn off at the next exit



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Question 41/55 (Conditions) : How long should an applicant have held a full driving licence form before applying for a hackney carriage / private hire drivers licence?

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- 3 years
- 1 year
- 4 years
- 2 years

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Question 51/55 (Numeracy) : You collect one passenger for an agreed fare of £4.80. On route the passenger asks you to collect a friend and you agree an additional cost of £1.50. What is the total cost of the fare?

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- £6.50
- £6.70
- £5.90
- £6.30

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Caroline Harrison

Question 2/30 : When must a driver display his ID badge?

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- When first starting work and when finishing work
- When standing / plying for hire
- Only if requested by members of public
- Only if requested by Licensing Officer

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Caroline Harrison

Question 8/30 : A driver shall, when requested,afford reasonable assistance to:-

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- put the luggage on and off a roof rack
- personally load and unload all luggage carried
- hold the boot open while luggage is loaded or unloaded
- load and unlaod luggage

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Caroline Harrison

Question 12/30 : What does this sign mean?

Your answer (click anywhere in the answer box)

- Church
- T-junction
- Crossroads
- Give way



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