Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Criteria in neighbouring Authorities across the City Region

Licensing Authority	Age Policy PHV	Age Policy HCV	MOT Requirement PHV	MOT Requirement HCV	Windows HCV and PHV
Wirral Council	Upper age limit 10 Years	Entry no more than 3 years 10 years if a proprietor wishes to change a vehicle on an existing licence No upper age limit	6 monthly after 6 years	6 monthly after 10 years	The front windscreen must let at least 75% of light through and all other windows must let at least 70% of light through
Liverpool City Council	X	x	6 monthly after 8 years	6 monthly after 11 years	No enhance tint fitted to windows unless done at the point of manufacture in accordance with DVSA standards
Sefton Council	Entry 8 years or less	Entry 11 years or less	6 monthly after 8 years	6 monthly after 11 years	The front windscreen must have a minimum light transmission capacity of 75%. The windows to either side of the driver must have a minimum light transmission capacity of 70%. All windows fitted to the vehicle (apart from those in (i) above) must be the manufacturer approved standard fit, whether tinted or not.
Knowsley Council	x	x	6 months after 8 years	x	Vehicles must be presented as originally constructed as per

					the Manufacturers Specification
Halton Council	Entry 13 years or less If wheelchair accessible can be licensed up to 16 years entry 5 years or less If not wheelchair accessible can be licensed up to 10 years	Entry 13 years or less If wheelchair accessible can be licensed up to 16 years entry 5 years or less If not wheelchair accessible can be licensed up to 10 years	6 monthly after 3 years	6 monthly after 3 years	Privacy glass shall be permitted subject to the following rules: • The permitted degree of tinting of glass in front of the 'B – Pillar' shall be in accordance with national standards. • The permitted degree of tinting of glass behind the vehicles 'B – Pillar' shall not exceed the vehicle manufacturer's specification for the vehicle in question.
St Helens	X	X	Under Revision	Under Revision	The front windscreen and front passenger windows must let at least 75% of light through. Film or spray which may alter the characteristics or appearance of the windows will not be permitted.