

Good morning,

I have applied for licenced vehicle PH243 to be granted a private hire licence beyond the normal 10 year limit.

This vehicle is a Ford Tourneo with 8 passengers seats it has been maintained to a high standard with servicing every 10k miles which is nearly half the recommended service interval expected by the manufacturer. All previous MOT advisories are address at the time, this can be seen on the MOT history of the vehicle. Our vehicles are fully inspected every time they visit the garage even if for a puncture or tyre replacement, they have a safety check everyday by the drivers and a weekly check in house by ourselves to ensure they are fit to operate.

North Yorkshire have a twelve year limit on vehicles for school transport and an unlimited life for wheelchair accessible vehicles of the same design. If this vehicle needs to be fitted to carry a wheelchair to extend its time as a private hire, then this is something that can be done.

Under the review of the licensing policy due in the new year age restrictions may be removed and this would not be a problem as the vehicle would fit the new criteria without a massive cost of replacing a vehicle that passes all the requirements of policy.

Kind regards

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