

Emission Standards

Questionnaire issued by Licensing Department

Number of questionnaires sent out – 581

Number of questionnaires returned – 94

Return rate 16%

Proposal:

- From 1st November 2008 no vehicle will be first licensed unless it meets Euro III standards or better (this is for new applications and change of vehicle on an existing licence)
- For the renewal of licence to commence 1st November 2009 all vehicles must meet Euro III standards or better
- From 1st November 2009 no vehicle will be first licensed if it is over four years old (this is for new applications and change of vehicle on an existing licence)
- For the renewal of licence to commence 1st November 2010 no vehicle will be re-licensed after it reaches eight years old

Agree with proposal YES 33 (35%) NO 61(65%)

Comments

- Lead to better class of vehicle
- Cost
- Cheaper less comfortable cars will be licensed
- Comparison with tour buses
- More time to change
- Age extended to 9 or 10 years
- Council to encourage greener cars
- Fares would need to rise

Halcrow Study

948 questionnaires sent out to both hackney carriage and private hire trades

115 replies from private hire trade

Question: Are you satisfied with hackney carriages being Euro III compliant by June 2009?

Satisfied 83 (81.4%) Unsatisfied 19 (18.6%)