

Pedicab Conditions of Licensing for the City of York Council

As with licensed taxis, pedicabs will have to comply with Conditions of Fitness. They will have to meet a minimum standard and be maintained to that standard throughout the licensing period.

Each pedicab will have the following conditions specific to them:

- 1) The pedicab must comply with the requirements of BS EN 14766 2005 or equivalent, the Pedal Cycle (Construction and Use) Regulations 1983 and the Pedal Cycle (Safety) Regulations 2003.
- 2) The pedicab will be so constructed that it has a minimum of three wheels, one at the front and at least two at the rear.
- 3) The pedicab must be fitted with a minimum of one front position light and a minimum of two rear position lamps and two rear retro reflectors.
- 4) The steering wheel when turned to full lock will not affect the stability of the pedicab when turning.
- 5) Tyres must comply with the following requirements:-
 - tread pattern clearly visible over the whole tread area
 - no exposed cords
 - the load ratings of all tyres must be suitable for a pedicab when fully loaded.
- 6) Any electrical installations to the pedicab must be adequately insulated, protected from passengers and any battery fitted must be of the type that does not leak.
- 7) A pedicab will not exceed 1250mm in width (excluding rear view mirror) or 2650mm in length.
- 8) There must be at least one mirror fitted to the offside of the pedicab in order to monitor other road users. A nearside mirror will also be permitted.
- 9) The outer edge of the floor of the passenger compartment should not exceed 38cm above ground level when the vehicle is unladen and should be fitted with non-slip high visibility yellow markings. The floor covering of the passenger compartment must be of a non-slip material which can be easily cleaned. Any holds or handles to aid passenger access or egress should be clearly identified with high visibility yellow markings.
- 10) Any canopy or roof, when fitted, must remain fixed in position until required to be raised or lowered which will be achieved by means of a locking mechanism to secure the canopy or roof when raised or lowered.
- 11) The rear seat dimensions must be adequate to accommodate one or two adult passengers based on a width of 450mm per passenger and shall be forward facing.

- 12) Visibility from the passenger compartment must not be restricted by the design of the pedicab. If the canopy or roof restricts vision then clear panels should be fitted to aid vision.
- 13) Every pedicab licensed by the authority shall be fitted with seatbelts or lap belts which will be adequate to retain the passenger in the vehicle and must bear an EC or BSI mark.
- 14) The riders' controls and the surrounding area of the controls must be so designed that the rider has adequate room. The rider must be able to easily reach and quickly operate the controls and give hand signals when required. The position of the rider's seat must not be such that it restricts access or egress to the passenger compartment.
- 15) Fares will be subject to a minimum charge of £3 and will be agreed with any passengers at the commencement of the journey and drivers will not be allowed to charge or demand more monies at the end of that journey. A written receipt will be given to each paying passenger and a copy kept by the operator. A chart explaining the fares shall be displayed in full view of any passengers.
- 16) The certificate of insurance and interior identification plate must be displayed within the view of any passengers and should remain so when roof or canopy is lowered.
- 17) All pedicabs shall be required to be fitted with an audible warning instrument (bell) complying with the Consumer Protection, Pedal Cycles (Safety) Regulations 2003.
- 18) Pedicabs and all their fittings must be maintained to standards that meet these conditions of fitness throughout the validity of their licence. They must be kept clean and in good order at all times and will be subject to tests and inspections. Any pedicab found to be not properly maintained will have it's licence suspended until such time as it is re-presented for inspection having had the defect(s) rectified. All testing will be carried out by CYTECH qualified technicians.
- 19) Suitable advertisements may be allowed on the exterior or interior of pedicabs subject to the approval/guidelines of the licensing authority. In addition they may display signs or notices which indicates professional skills or qualifications of the driver which enhance the pedicab service to the public.
- 20) The materials used to form the passenger seats should be waterproof so that they will not absorb or retain water and should be constructed of a suitable fire resistant material to BS 5852 Part 1, 1979 or equivalent.
- 21) The pedicab shall be of a design which has the rider to the front and passengers seated to the rear.
- 22) Pedicabs licensed by this authority will operate within the Unitary Authority boundary. This will enable operators to include the racecourse on race days. They will adhere to the pedestrian area entry times.
- 23) Pedicabs will be allowed to be pick up at the ranks on Duncombe Place and Tower Street only and any others as directed by the licensing authority.
- 24) Each pedicab driver will be a full DVLA driving licence holder for at least 12 months.
- 25) Each pedicab driver will be at least 18 years old.
- 26) Each pedicab shall be licensed to carry no more than 2 passengers at any one time.