

## **MEDICAL CERTIFICATE FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE**

### **Note to Applicant**

**THIS MEDICAL MAY BE COMPLETED BY YOUR OWN GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH WHOM YOU ARE REGISTERED WITH WHO HAS FULL ACCESS TO YOUR RECORDS OR A QUALIFIED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER WHO HAS SEEN A SUMMARY OF YOUR MEDICAL RECORDS**

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FEES CHARGED BY YOUR DOCTOR**

**A MEDICAL IS REQUIRED ON INITIAL APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE OR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE AND THEN ON AGES 30, 40, 50, 55, 60 AND THERE AFTER EVERY TWELVE MONTHS**

### **Note to Doctor**

**THE APPLICANT MUST MEET THE CRITERIA FOR A GROUP 2 VOCATIONAL DRIVER'S LICENCE AS SET OUT IN THE LATEST EDITIONS OF THE DVLA PUBLICATION 'ASSESSING FITNESS TO DRIVE – A GUIDE FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS'**

Applicant's full name:

Home Address:

Date of Birth:

**To:**

**The Taxi Licensing Office, No. 1 Market Street, Nelson, BB9 7LJ.**

**Name of Applicant:**

**I certify that:**

**I have this day examined the above named person and have completed the above medical certificate. The answers are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

**(Please delete one):**

**\*The above named person is registered with this Doctors Practice and I have checked and have had access to the above-named patient's medical history or**

**\*The above named person is not registered with my practice and I have had access to a  
SUMMARY OF THEIR MEDICAL RECORDS**

**Doctor's Signature:**

**Date:**

**\* (please delete one)**

**I CONSIDER THE APPLICANT SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO A FURTHER MEDICAL EXAMINATION AT  
AGE 30, 40, 50, 55, 60 AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER**

**OR I CONSIDER A MEDICAL IS REQUIRED IN \_\_\_\_ YEARS TIME DUE TO AN EXISTING/NEW  
MEDICAL CONDITION**

**NOTE: All drivers must have a medical when they first apply for a licence, then on ages 30,  
40, 50, 55, 60 and thereafter every twelve months.**





1. Please confirm (✓) the scale you are using to express the applicant's visual acuities.

Snellen ☐ Snellen expressed as a decimal ☐ LogMAR ☐

2. The visual acuity standard for Group 2 driving is at least 6/7.5 in one eye and at least 6/60 in the other.

- (a) Please provide uncorrected visual acuities for each eye. Snellen readings with a plus (+) or minus (-) are not acceptable. If 6/7.5, 6/60 standard is not met, the applicant may need further assessment by an optician.

R  L  Yes ☐ No ☐

- (b) Are corrective lenses worn for driving? ☐ ☐

**If No, go to Q3.**

If Yes, please provide the visual acuities using the correction worn for driving. Snellen readings with a plus (+) or minus (-) are not acceptable. If 6/7.5, 6/60 standard is not met, the applicant may need further assessment by an optician.

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- (c) What kind of corrective lenses are worn to meet this standard?

Glasses ☐ Contact lenses ☐ Both together ☐

- (d) If glasses are worn for driving, is the corrective power greater than plus (+)8 dioptres in any meridian of either lens? Yes ☐ No ☐

- (e) If correction is worn for driving, is it well tolerated? Yes ☐ No ☐

If No, please give full details in Q7.

3. Is there a history of any medical condition that may affect the applicant's binocular field of vision (central and/or peripheral)? Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please give full details below.

If formal visual field testing is considered necessary, DVLA will commission this at a later date.

4. Is there diplopia? Yes ☐ No ☐

- (a) Is it controlled? ☐ ☐

Please indicate below and give full details in Q7.

Patch or glasses with frosted glass ☐ Glasses with/without prism ☐ Other (if other please provide details) ☐

5. Does the applicant report symptoms of any of the following that impairs their ability to drive? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please indicate below and give full details in Q7 below.

- (a) Intolerance to glare (causing incapacity rather than discomfort) and/or ☐  
(b) Impaired contrast sensitivity and/or ☐  
(c) Impaired twilight vision ☐

6. Does the applicant have any other ophthalmic condition affecting their visual acuity or visual field? Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please give full details in Q7 below.

7. Details or additional information

Name of examining doctor, optician or optometrist undertaking vision assessment


**I confirm that this report was filled in by me at examination and the applicant's history has been taken into consideration.**

Signature of examining doctor, optician or optometrist

Date of signature

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Please provide your GOC or GMC number

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Doctor, optometrist or optician's stamp

Applicant's full name


Date of birth

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## e Cardiac other

Is there a history or evidence of heart failure? Yes No  
**If No, go to section 3f, Cardiac channelopathies** ☐ ☐

If Yes, please answer all questions and enclose relevant hospital notes.

1. Please provide the NYHA class,  if known.

2. Established cardiomyopathy? Yes No  
 If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7. ☐ ☐

3. Has a left ventricular assist device (LVAD) or other cardiac assist device been implanted? Yes No  
☐ ☐

4. A heart or heart/lung transplant? Yes No  
☐ ☐

5. Untreated atrial myxoma? Yes No  
☐ ☐

## f Cardiac channelopathies

Is there a history or evidence of the following conditions? Yes No  
**If No, go to section 3g, Blood pressure** ☐ ☐

1. Brugada syndrome? Yes No  
☐ ☐

2. Long QT syndrome? Yes No  
 If Yes to either, please give details in section 9, page 7 and enclose relevant hospital notes. ☐ ☐

## g Blood pressure

**All questions must be answered.**  
 If resting blood pressure is 180 mm/Hg systolic or more and/or 100mm/Hg diastolic or more, please take a further 2 readings at least 5 minutes apart and record the best of the 3 readings in the box provided.

1. Please record today's best resting blood pressure reading.  /

2. Is the applicant on anti-hypertensive treatment? Yes No  
 If Yes, please provide three previous readings with dates if available. ☐ ☐

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3. Is there a history of malignant hypertension? Yes No  
 If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7 (including date of diagnosis and any treatment etc). ☐ ☐

## h Cardiac investigations

Have any cardiac investigations been undertaken or planned? Yes No  
☐ ☐

**If No, go to section 4, Psychiatric illness**  
 If Yes, please answer questions 1 to 7.

1. Is there a history of the following: Yes No  
 (a) left bundle branch block (LBBB)? ☐ ☐  
 (b) right bundle branch block (RBBB)? ☐ ☐  
 If yes to (a) or (b), please provide relevant report(s) or comment in section 9, page 7.

**Note: If Yes to questions 2 to 6, please give dates in the boxes provided, give details in section 9, page 7 and provide relevant reports.**

2. Has an exercise ECG been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

3. Has an echocardiogram been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

(a) If undertaken, is or was the left ejection fraction greater than or equal to 40%? ☐ ☐

4. Has a coronary angiogram been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

5. Has a 24 hour ECG tape been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

6. Has a loop recorder been implanted (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

7. Has a myocardial perfusion scan, stress echo study or cardiac MRI been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No  
☐ ☐

## 4 Psychiatric illness

Is there a history or evidence of psychiatric illness within the last 3 years? Yes No  
☐ ☐

**If No, go to section 5, Substance misuse**  
 If Yes, please answer all questions below.

1. Significant psychiatric disorder within the past 6 months? If Yes, please confirm condition. Yes No  
☐ ☐

2. Psychosis or hypomania/mania within the past 12 months, including psychotic depression? Yes No  
☐ ☐

3. (a) Dementia or cognitive impairment? Yes No  
 (b) Are there concerns which have resulted in ongoing investigations for such possible diagnoses? ☐ ☐

## 5 Substance misuse

Is there a history of drug/alcohol misuse or dependence? Yes No  
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**If No, go to section 6, Sleep disorders**  
 If Yes, please answer all questions below.

1. Is there a history of alcohol dependence in the past 6 years? Yes No  
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(a) Is it controlled? ☐ ☐  
 (b) Has the applicant undergone an alcohol detoxification programme? ☐ ☐  
 If Yes, give date started:

2. Persistent alcohol misuse in the past 3 years? Yes No  
☐ ☐

(a) Is it controlled? ☐ ☐

3. Use of illegal drugs or other substances, or misuse of prescription medication in the last 6 years? Yes No  
☐ ☐

(a) If Yes, the type of substance misused?

(b) Is it controlled? ☐ ☐  
 (c) Has the applicant undertaken an opiate treatment programme? ☐ ☐  
 If Yes, give date started

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## 6 Sleep disorders

1. Is there a history or evidence of Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Syndrome or any other medical condition causing excessive sleepiness? Yes ☐ No ☐

**If No, go to section 7, Other medical conditions.**

If Yes, please give diagnosis and answer all questions below.

- a) If Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Syndrome, please indicate the severity:

Mild (AHI <15) ☐

Moderate (AHI 15 - 29) ☐

Severe (AHI >29) ☐

Not known ☐

If another measurement other than AHI is used, it must be one that is recognised in clinical practice as equivalent to AHI. DVLA does not prescribe different measurements as this is a clinical issue. Please give details in section 9 page 7, Further details.

- b) Please answer questions (i) to (vi) for **all** sleep conditions.

(i) Date of diagnosis:         Yes ☐ No ☐

(ii) Is it controlled successfully? ☐ ☐

(iii) If Yes, please state treatment.

(iv) Is applicant compliant with treatment? Yes ☐ No ☐

(v) Please state period of control:

years  months

(vi) Date of last review.

## 7 Other medical conditions

1. Is there a history or evidence of narcolepsy? Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Is there currently any functional impairment that is likely to affect control of the vehicle? Yes ☐ No ☐

3. Is there a history of bronchogenic carcinoma or other malignant tumour with a significant liability to metastasise cerebrally? Yes ☐ No ☐

4. Is there any illness that may cause significant fatigue or cachexia that affects safe driving? Yes ☐ No ☐

5. Is the applicant profoundly deaf? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If Yes, is the applicant able to communicate in the event of an emergency by speech or by using a device, e.g. a textphone? Yes ☐ No ☐

6. Does the applicant have a history of liver disease of any origin? Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, is this the result of alcohol misuse?

☐ ☐

If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.

7. Is there a history of renal failure? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.

8. Does the applicant have severe symptomatic respiratory disease causing chronic hypoxia? Yes ☐ No ☐

9. Does any medication currently taken cause the applicant side effects that could affect safe driving? Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please fill in section 8, Medication and give symptoms in section 9, page 7.

10. Does the applicant have any other medical condition that could affect safe driving? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If Yes, please provide details in section 9, page 7.

## 8 Medication

Please provide details of all current medication including eye drops (continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

Medication	Dosage
Reason for taking:	
Approximate date started (if known):	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

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## 9 Further details

## 10 Consultants' details

Consultant in
Reason for attendance
Name
Address

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Consultant in
Reason for attendance
Name
Address

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## 11 Examining doctor's signature and stamp

To be filled in by the doctor carrying out the examination.

I confirm that this report was filled in by me at examination and I have taken the applicant's history into account. I also confirm that I am currently GMC registered and licensed to practise in the UK or I am a doctor who is medically registered within the EU, if the report was filled in outside the UK.

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## The applicant must fill in this page

### Applicant's declaration

You **must** fill in this section and **must not** alter it in any way.

Please read the following important information carefully then sign to confirm the statements below.

#### Important information about fitness to drive

As part of the investigation into your fitness to drive, we (DVLA) may require you to have a medical examination and/or some form of practical assessment. If we do, the individuals involved in these will need your background medical details to carry out an appropriate assessment.

These individuals may include doctors, orthoptists at eye clinics or paramedical staff at a driving assessment centre. We will only share information relevant to the medical assessment of your fitness to drive.

Also, where the circumstances of your case appear to suggest the need for this, the relevant medical information may need to be considered by one or more of the members of the Secretary of State's Honorary Medical Advisory Panels. The membership of these Panels conforms strictly to the principle of confidentiality.

For information about how we process your data, your rights and who to contact, see our privacy notice at [www.gov.uk/dvla/privacy-policy](http://www.gov.uk/dvla/privacy-policy)

#### Declaration

I authorise my doctor, specialist or appropriate healthcare professional to disclose medical information or reports about my health condition to the DVLA, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, that is relevant to my fitness to drive.

I understand that the doctor that I authorise, may pass this authorisation to another registered healthcare professional, who will be able to provide information about my medical condition that is relevant to my fitness to drive.

I understand that the Secretary of State may disclose such relevant medical information as is necessary to the investigation of my fitness to drive to doctors and other healthcare professionals such as orthoptists, paramedical staff and the Secretary of State for Transport's Honorary Medical Advisory panel members.

I declare that I have checked the details I have given on the enclosed questionnaire and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief they are correct.

I understand that it is a criminal offence if I make a false declaration to obtain a driving licence and can lead to prosecution.

Name

Signature

Date

**I authorise the Secretary of State to correspond with medical professionals via electronic channels (fax and/or email)**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Checklist

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| • Have you signed and dated the declaration?  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Have you checked that the optician, optometrist or doctor has filled in all parts of the report and all relevant hospital notes have been enclosed? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |

#### Important

**This report is valid for 4 months from the date the doctor, optician or optometrist signs it.**

**Please return it together with your application form.**