Driver Conditions

Section 4 – 39.4

39.4 This Authority needs to be satisfied that a driver's driving ability is competent and of a sufficiently high standard to safely and comfortably convey members of the public. In addition to the mandatory DVLA driving licence, it is therefore a requirement that a further appropriate formal driving qualification be undertaken and obtained for all new applicants.

Responses

Response 1 - (operator)

The council should be clearer on a) the need for a PHV driver to obtain a 'further appropriate formal driving qualification' and b) what this formal qualification involves.

There is a significant risk that this requirement will act as a disincentive for people thinking of applying to become a licensed PHV driver or make other licensing authorities more attractive as a licensing destination.

Licensing Team Response

This condition is not a new addition and is already in the policy. It can however be specifically re-worded to state what the additional driving test is.