



TRANSPORT FOR LONDON



News update

DBS Update Service

All applicants for a taxi or PHV driver's licence, both new and renewal, are required to provide evidence of registration with the [DBS Update Service](#).

There are two opportunities to register with the DBS Update Service:

- 28 days from when you apply for your enhanced DBS check – we recommend this
- 30 days from the date when your DBS certificate was issued

If you miss the window to apply then you will need to apply and pay for a new enhanced DBS check.

We have produced a [video](#) explaining these changes, please also see [TPH Notice 07/23](#) for further information.

This is a **mandatory requirement** and licences will not be issued unless evidence of registration is provided.

Equality Act

All taxi and PHV drivers and PHV operators are subject to duties under the Equality Act, including accepting the carriage of any disabled person, providing them with reasonable mobility assistance and carrying their mobility aids, without changing any more than they would for a non-disabled passenger.

These responsibilities are set out in the Taxi and Private Hire Vehicles (Disabled Persons) Act 2022, as set out in [TPH Notice 08/22](#).

Driving Safety

Remember to look out for cyclists and vulnerable road users, and to drive at a speed that is appropriate for the situation, environment and current weather conditions.

The faster you drive, the less time you have to do something to avoid a collision. The resulting injuries also become more serious as speed increases.

Visit our [website](#) for additional information and advice.

Events

Mountbatten Festival of Music

Friday 8 and Saturday 9 March, Royal Albert Hall

C2C: Country to Country 2024

Friday 8 to Sunday 10 March, The O2 Arena

Drumsheds Festival

Saturday 9 March, Tottenham Hale

There will be a marshalled taxi rank and pre-booked only PHV area at 6 Glover Drive, N18 3HF. The main egress times will be from 21:30 until midnight. For this event, Sector 1, 2 and 9 taxi drivers can serve the event rank only.

Six Nations - England V Ireland

Saturday 9 March, Twickenham Stadium

Sarah Jane Morris

Saturday 9 March, Alexandra Palace Theatre

Disney on Ice

Saturday 9 March, OVO Arena Wembley

Mamma Mia! The Party

Sunday 10 March, The O2 Arena

The Smile

Sunday 10 March, Eventim Apollo

Because of these events, there may be increased demand for taxi and private hire services in these areas.

Demonstrations**Central London area**

From 11:00 until 18:00 on Saturday 9 March, a demonstration will be taking place in the central London area. Large crowds are expected.

Richmond Terrace

From 14:00 until 17:00 on Saturday 9 March, a demonstration will be taking place at Richmond Terrace. Large crowds are expected.

Road updates**A4, West Cromwell Road**

From Friday 8 until Monday 11 March, West Cromwell Road will be closed eastbound for a crane operation.

Coventry Street

From 09:00 until 18:00 on Thursday 7 March, Coventry Street will be closed between Haymarket and Whitcomb Street for a crane operation.

Tothill Street

On Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 March, Tothill Street will be closed between Story's Gate and Matthew Parker Street for the removal of a tower crane at Central Hall.

Farringdon area

From Monday 11 March until Monday 8 July 2024, major utility gas works will take place affecting Farringdon Street, New Bridge Street, Charterhouse Street and Tudor Street as follows:

- Farringdon Street northbound closure (Charterhouse Street to Ludgate Circus/Fleet Street)
- New Bridge Street southbound closure (Blackfriars/Watergate to Ludgate Circus/Fleet Street)
- Charterhouse Street westbound closure (Farringdon Street to East Poultry Avenue)
- Tudor Street full closure (New Bridge Street to Kingscote Street)

Praed Street

Until May 2024, Praed Street will be narrowed to a single lane for traffic, under temporary traffic signal control for highway and footway improvement works. The footpath will be closed with a pedestrian diversion in place.

Drivers are reminded to only drop off and pick up customers when it is safe to do so, to not drop customers off at pedestrian crossings or works area recesses, and illegally rank after works areas.

Rank suspensions

The following ranks will be out of service:

- 5773 Grosvenor Gardens/Hobart Place, until 17:00 on Friday 8 March. Second portion on Grosvenor Gardens is suspended for street lighting works
- 5518 Royal Albert Hall, until Friday 8 March. Whole rank is suspended for phase two of the public realm scheme. On completion of this phase of works the taxi rank will relocate to its new position
- Canary Wharf (Upper Bank Street), until Friday 8 March. Upper Bank Street outside Waitrose & Canada Square park taxi rank in the central reservation is suspended for the removal of the Canary Wharf ice rink
- 6216 St. George Street (Hanover Square), until 17:00 on Saturday 9 March. 25 metres only opposite 16. George Street is suspended for traffic management during carriageway utility works
- 5647 Berkeley Street (Nobu), from 07:00 until 18:00 on Saturday 9 March. Whole rank to be suspended for a crane operation. Subject to weather conditions
- 5468 Wardour Street (Humus Bros), until 18:00 on Saturday 9 March. Whole rank is suspended for footway and kerb maintenance
- 5823 Harewood Avenue, from 07:00 until 18:00 on Sunday 10 March. Second portion/centre of the road to be suspended for emergency carriageway works instructed by Westminster. There is a lane closure
- 5605 High Street, Uxbridge, from 07:00 until 18:00 on Monday 11 March. 20 metres only to be suspended for a crane operation
- 6172 Townmead Road, from 07:00 on Monday 11 until 17:00 on Wednesday 20 March. Whole rank to be suspended for carriageway utility works
- 5988 Margravine Gardens (Barons Court station), from 10:00 on Monday 11 until 17:00 on Tuesday 12 March. Whole rank to be suspended for a crane operation
- 5868 Berkeley Square (40 Berkeley Square), from 07:00 on Monday 11 March until 18:00 on Friday 12 April. Whole rank to be suspended for major carriageway utility works. There will be lane closures and partial road closures in phases during these works
- 5948 Guildable Manor, until 05:00 on Friday 29 March. Second portion only is suspended to facilitate works compound for bridge works
- 5788 Eccleston Place, until Monday 12 August. Second portion only is suspended from 08:00 until 13:00, Monday to Friday only for loading and unloading for works to the library roof

Consultations

Clerkenwell Road

Camden Council is consulting on [proposed changes around Clerkenwell Road](#). The consultation closes on Monday 11 March.

Cycleway 51

We are consulting on changes to the Cycleway 51 and [re-routing this along Cunningham Place instead of Northwick Terrace](#). You have until Friday 15 March to respond to the consultation.

South Carriage Drive

The Royal Parks is consulting on whether South Carriage Drive should be [permanently closed to motor traffic on weekdays](#). You have until 17 March to respond to the consultation.

Camden local plan

Camden Council is consulting on a [new local plan](#). You have until Wednesday 13 March to comment on the plan.

For the latest updates please follow us on Twitter [@TfLTPH](#)

Yours sincerely,

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