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Wimbledon Tennis Championships 2023

This Notice contains important information for both taxi and private hire vehicle (PHV) licensees regarding the upcoming All England Lawn Tennis Club (AELTC) Championships (Wimbledon) 2023.

This Notice should be read in conjunction with <u>TPH Notice 03/23 (Taxi Fares and</u> <u>Tariffs Update</u> that contains information about an increase to some fixed-fares for shared taxis that operate during the Championships and a change to one of the authorised places where the fixed-fare, shared taxi scheme operate from.

This year the Championship takes place between Monday 3 and Sunday 16 July 2023 and will have a maximum spectator capacity of 42,000 people each day.

Taxi and PHV services play an important role in helping visitors access the Championships. As in previous years, we would encourage licensees to help meet demand from passengers travelling to, and returning home from, the Championships.

It is vital that all licensed taxi and PHV drivers, and private hire operators, that are planning to serve the Championships, or work locally, are aware of designated dropoff and pick-up points, the planned road closures and do not wait or park in areas where they are not permitted to do so.

Details of the special arrangements that will be in place for the duration of the Championships are provided in the <u>Appendix</u> below – including <u>taxi arrangements</u> and <u>PHV arrangements</u>. Temporary signage will be in place for designated taxi and PHV pick up/drop-off areas.

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For previous Notices and additional licensing information, please visit <u>tfl.gov.uk/tph</u>

<u>Appendix</u>

Taxi arrangements

Fixed-fare, shared-taxi trips

There will be fixed-fare, shared taxi trips between the AELTC grounds and both Wimbledon and Southfields stations. These are as follows:

- £2.50 for adults
- £1.25 for children between 2 and 10 years old
- Children under 2 travel free

For fares to other destinations, during the Championship, please see <u>TPH Notice</u> 03/23.

Taxi drop-off arrangements

- Taxis coming from the direction of Southfields should drop their passengers on Wimbledon Park Road, close to the junction with Victoria Drive.
- Taxis coming from the direction of Wimbledon should drop their passengers in Marryat Road, close to the junction with Somerset Road.
- There will be an accessible drop off point in Somerset Road, close to AELTC Gate 13.

Taxi rank arrangements

Southfields Station

 A temporary taxi rank will be in operation on Augustus Road, near Southfields Station (Rank No. 5639), will operate, including fixed-fare, shared taxi trips to the AELTC. The taxi rank in Wimbledon Park Road, outside Southfields Station (Rank No. 5619), will **not** be in operation.

Wimbledon Station

• The taxi rank at Wimbledon Station (Rank No. 6099) will operate as normal but fixed-fare, shared taxi trips to the AELTC will also be in operation from this rank.

Church Road – All England Lawn Tennis Club

- A temporary taxi rank will operate off Church Road (adjacent to Gate 4) where fixed-fare, shared-taxi trips will be available for passengers going to Southfields or Wimbledon stations.
- The taxi rank will also operate normally for passengers wishing to travel to central London and other destinations with fixed-fare, shared taxi trips to certain locations.
- The head of the taxi rank will be on the golf course estate road, adjacent to AELTC Gate 4, and will be fully accessible to wheelchair users. There will be a feeder rank on Church Road, a short distance south of AELTC Gate 5.
 Taxis will be directed into the golf course, as required, where taxi marshals will be in attendance to assist passengers.
- Taxis will follow the internal road and exit onto Church Road via Car Park Gate 8.
- The feeder rank will be for a maximum of 16 taxis. A check point will be in place to prevent taxis joining the rank when it is full.
- Taxis that have been allowed past the check point to access the taxi rank are asked not to stop and pick-up passengers before reaching the rank.
- Taxis should return to the rear of the rank via Parkside and Church Road.

Somerset Road - All England Lawn Tennis Club

 There will be a temporary taxi rank in Somerset Road, near to AELTC Gate 13 (Rank No. 5588), where fixed-fare, shared-taxi trips will be available for passengers going to Southfields or Wimbledon stations.

- The taxi rank will also operate normally for passengers wishing to travel to central London and other destinations with fixed-fare, shared taxi trips to certain locations.
- Taxis will only be able to access this rank via the Somerset Road/Burghley Road junction.
- This taxi rank is for a maximum of 8 taxis. A checkpoint will be in place to prevent taxis joining the rank when it is full.
- The taxi rank will be fully accessible to wheelchair users and taxi marshals will be in attendance to assist passengers.
- Taxis that have been allowed past the check point to access the taxi rank are asked not to stop and pick-up passengers before reaching the rank.

Pre-booked taxis

Pre-booked taxis should collect their passengers in Marryat Road.

Taxis should note that Church Road will be closed to all vehicles, except emergency vehicles, between AELTC Gates 1 and 5. This will be strictly enforced with barriers preventing access.

Expectations

- All taxis on the rank must be available for hire and no taxi must be left unattended on any taxi rank.
- Taxi drivers must start their meter at the commencement of all fixed-fare, shared-taxi journeys and any fare agreed in advance must not exceed the metered fare at the end of the journey.
- If a passenger or a group wants a normal (unshared) taxi service, the marshals at the rank will ask taxi drivers if they are willing to take the passengers. However, if a driver cannot be found after a reasonable time the first free taxi on the rank should accept the hiring.
- Refusing these fares or loitering to wait for a shared hiring is not allowed and any driver doing this could be subject to licensing action by TfL.

All taxi drivers who hold an All London taxi driver's licence or a Merton and Sutton Suburban taxi driver's licence can use the taxi ranks at Wimbledon Station, Southfields Station, Church Road and Somerset Road.

PHV arrangements

Space for PHVs to drop-off or pick-up passengers that have pre-booked will be available at:

- Wimbledon Park Road on the east side of the road, just north of the junction with Victoria Drive.
- Marryat Road on the west side of the road, just north of the junction with Burghley Road.

Parking and waiting at these locations is **not** permitted and PHV drivers must **not** attend until their passengers are ready for collection.

Stopping on Church Road, Somerset Road or around the ground is **not** permitted and parking controls will be strictly enforced. PHVs must **not** stop on the designated taxi ranks.

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