



COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles

Licensed Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles

The new requirements of the Equality Act 2010 came into force on 6 April 2017.

Sections 165 to 167 of the Equality Act 2010 make it a criminal offence for drivers of designated taxi and specified private hire vehicles to refuse to carry passengers in standard manual wheelchairs, to fail to provide them with appropriate assistance or to charge them extra.

The requirements of section 165 do not apply to drivers who have a valid medical exemption certificate and are displaying a valid exemption notice. If you are exempt then you will have been issued with two exemption notices. These must be displayed as follows:

- One in the near side window for approaching passengers and wheelchair users to see
- One in the rear window of your vehicle so any driver behind you on the rank will be aware of your exemption

The exemption notice is not transferable and if the vehicle is shared by another user you must ensure the notice is removed before somebody else uses the vehicle.

The lists below are designated for the purposes of section 165 of the Equality Act 2010.

Hackney Carriage Vehicles (Taxis)

Council Plate No.	Make and Model (Passenger capacity)	Registration Number	Name of Operator

Private Hire Vehicles

Council Plate No.	Make and Model (passenger capacity)	Registration Number	Name of Operator
064	Renault Master (8)	YX58 HPZ	Tim's Transport Limited