

Criteria for the allocation of hackney carriage proprietor licences

1. New hackney carriage licences or 'plates' are allocated using a random selection process.
2. You must meet the criteria to be entered into the random selection pool.
3. Once all new licences have been allocated, your details will be deleted. We will start with a new pool of people each time we have new licences to allocate.
4. To enter the random selection draw, you must either be:
 - i. a current Manchester licensed hackney carriage driver with a minimum of 5 years experience gained in the 7 years before the closing date, or
 - ii. a current Manchester licensed private hire driver with a minimum of 5 years experience gained in the 7 years before the closing date, **and** have passed the hackney carriage driver knowledge test.
5. You must not:
 - i. currently hold a hackney carriage proprietor's licence (including licences via transfer)
 - ii. have had any proprietor's licence (both hackney carriage and private hire) revoked in the five years before the closing date
 - iii. be a person who we've issued a hackney carriage proprietor's licence to in the past
6. In addition to people who meet criteria 1 to 5, those who have been accepted under the Special Consideration Policy will be entered into the random selection draw.
7. Anyone being issued with a new hackney carriage proprietor's licence must have:
 - i. a vehicle that complies with the vehicle specification in our [Hackney Carriage Policy](https://www.manchester.gov.uk/downloads/download/5432/hackney_carriage_vehicle_policy) [https://www.manchester.gov.uk/downloads/download/5432/hackney_carriage_vehicle_policy] i.e. Manchester Conditions of Fitness
 - ii. a vehicle less than two years old from the date of first registration at the time the licence is issued (i.e. once the vehicle has passed our standard vehicle test).
8. You will be required to complete a statutory declaration confirming that you meet the requirements.