



## 2008 CHAPTER 4

### PART 2

#### REGULATION OF TAXIS

##### Requirement for taxi licence

**12.—**(1) A taxi shall not be used in standing or plying for hire or reward or to carry passengers for hire or reward except under a licence which is in force for that taxi (in this Act referred to as a “taxi licence”).

(2) The driver of a taxi and the taxi operator for or in respect of a taxi used in contravention of this section are each guilty of an offence.

(3) The owner of a taxi who permits it to be used in contravention of this section is guilty of an offence.

(4) It is a defence in proceedings for an offence under subsection (2) for the driver or operator to show that the driver or operator (as the case may be) exercised all due diligence to prevent the taxi being used in contravention of this section.

##### Commencement Information

**II** S. 12 in operation at 31.5.2016 by S.R. 2015/389, art. 2(3), Sch. Pt. 3

**Changes to legislation:**

Taxis Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, Section 12 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 08 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 12 coming into force by [S.R. 2014/300 art. 2\(3\)Sch. Pt. 3](#) (This effect not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Art. 2(3), Sch. Pt. 3 omitted (22.5.2015) by virtue of S.R. 2015/257, art. 2)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SR 2014/300 art. 2 Sch. Pt. 2 and 3 by [S.R. 2015/257 art. 2](#)