



# Private Hire Vehicles (London) Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 34

### *Regulation of private hire vehicles in London*

#### **8 Obligations of owners of licensed vehicles**

- (1) This section applies to the owner of any vehicle to which a London PHV licence relates.
- (2) The owner shall present the vehicle for inspection and testing by or on behalf of the Secretary of State within such period and at such place as he may by notice reasonably require.

The vehicle shall not be required to be presented under this subsection on more than three separate occasions during any one period of 12 months.

- (3) The owner shall (without prejudice to section 170 of the Road Traffic Act 1988) report any accident to the vehicle materially affecting—
  - (a) the safety, performance or appearance of the vehicle, or
  - (b) the comfort or convenience of persons carried in the vehicle,to the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably practical and in any case within 72 hours of the accident occurring.
- (4) If the ownership of the vehicle changes, the person who was previously the owner shall within 14 days of the change give notice to the Secretary of State of that fact and the name and address of the new owner.
- (5) A person who, without reasonable excuse, contravenes any provision of this section is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.