**General Specifications**

1. Front Engine Petrol, Diesel or Hybrid - Front or Rear Wheel Drive
2. Seating should be for at least 4, but no more than 8 passengers in addition to the driver.

Rearward facing seats over or rearward of the rear wheels and axle(s) having normal access only through a rear door will not be accepted.

Folding or moving seats which are so constructed to provide access to other seats to which there is no direct access will not be accepted.

Front seats shall be equipped with safety belts in accordance with current legislation and any vehicle having a gangway between the body side and nearside passenger seat must be equipped with a lap and shoulder belt which does not obstruct the gangway.

1. A separate lockable luggage compartment is preferred. In vehicles where the luggage is not in a separate compartment passengers must be protected by a screen from items of luggage being propelled into the passenger compartment area by the vehicle movement.
2. At least 4 road wheels.
3. Manufacturers gross vehicle weight for tyres and suspension actually fitted to the vehicle submitted for a licence must be sufficient for a minimum payload equal to the driver, full fuel tank, the number of passengers for which a licence is requested (at 70 kg per person) and luggage (at 20 kgs per person).

Where Propane or L.P.G is used as the vehicle fuel the weight of extra equipment must be within the gross weight.

Where the vehicle type has a marginal payload rating and it has many nonstandard fittings and equipment, a weighbridge certificate of kerb weight may be required.

1. All vehicles will be of an approved type, being properly constructed in accordance with all appropriate Act of Parliament and E.E.C Legislation applicable to the U.K. Approved vehicles will be right hand drive, with the exception of chauffeur driven limousine type vehicles used for executive hire which may be left-hand drive, fitted with at least 4 road wheels, with at least two passenger doors in the body sides and separate means of access for the driver.

Passengers will be provided with sufficient means of communication with the driver and have facilities to carry luggage in a safe and secure condition. The passenger accommodation will have properly upholstered and covered seats, with floors also properly covered. There will be direct access to all doors without the need to fold or move any seats to provide a gangway. There will be means of opening and closing at least one window each side of the vehicle.

**GENERAL EQUIPMENT**

Where a vehicle has more than 4 passenger seats and arranged on more than 2 rows of seats, the headroom for the intermediate seats will be as for the front seat.

1. Spare Wheel and Tyre - properly stowed to protect passengers luggage.
2. Jack and Wheel Brace.
3. 1.36kg B.C.F or Dry Powder Fire Extinguisher and First Aid Kit in the passenger compartment of
4. Nearside and Offside rear view mirrors
5. If a fare meter is fitted it must be visible to all passengers and not be a safety hazard to passengers.

In addition to the general requirements, Private Hire Vehicles will not display any advertising or lettering other than the permitted 127mm x 76mm label in the windscreen displaying the City of Nottingham Private Hire Licence number or other approved legend in letters and figures no more than 25mm high.

London type Hackney Carriages are not allowed to be licensed as Private Hire Vehicles.

