



Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles (Safeguarding and Road Safety) Act 2022

This Notice supplements [TPH Notice 11/21](#) (National Register of Taxi Licence Revocations and Refusals) and outlines the duties the Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles (Safeguarding and Road Safety) Act 2022 ('the 2022 Act') places on licensing authorities in England.

As set out in TPH Notice 11/21, in line with the [Department for Transport's Statutory Standards](#), since 1 September 2021 we have been providing details of all taxi and PHV driver licence revocation and refusal decisions to a national database. Details of such decisions taken between 1 January 2018 and 31 August 2021 were also uploaded.

From today, 27 April 2023, Section 2 of the 2022 Act comes into effect which makes it mandatory for licensing authorities in England to input, into a database, instances where the authority has refused, suspended, revoked, or chosen not to renew, a taxi or PHV driver's licence based wholly or in part on information relating to the driver concerning safeguarding or road safety.

For the purposes of the 2022 Act, the Secretary of State has designated the National Register of Taxi Licence Revocations, Refusals and Suspensions (known as the NR3S) as the database licensing authorities must use. This is the same database referenced in TPH Notice 11/21.

The information entered on the NR3S database is:

- Name

- Date of birth
- Home address
- National insurance number
- Driving licence number
- Decision taken (but not the reason for it)
- Date of decision
- The date the decision took effect
- The date a suspension is due to end

From today, 27 April 2023, we will begin adding to the NR3S database all new decisions to suspend a licence. This information will be updated, for example when a licensing decision has been changed or successfully appealed. We also intend to upload historical suspension records dating back to January 2018.

It is also a mandatory requirement for any licensing authority in England to search the database for any entry relating to an applicant before deciding whether to grant or renew a taxi or PHV driver licence. If there is relevant information the authority will be required to contact the recording authority to request the information. We have been checking the database in respect of every new and renewal application for a taxi or PHV driver's licence since 1 September 2021 and will continue to do so.

In addition, the Act places duties on taxi and private hire vehicle (PHV) licensing authorities in England to share safeguarding and road safety concerns about taxi and private hire vehicle drivers with each other.

In accordance with section 5 of the 2022 Act, since 31 May 2022, where we have information about a taxi or PHV driver licensed by another authority that is relevant to safeguarding or road safety concerns in its area, we have shared this information with the authority that issued that driver's licence.

We have updated our privacy notice about the NR3S database, which is available at www.tfl.gov.uk/corporate/privacy-and-cookies/ (see Taxi and Private Hire: National Register of Refusals and Revocations tab).

The Department for Transport has issued [statutory guidance](#) to support taxi and PHV licensing authorities in England in complying with the 2022 Act.

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