



## Taxi and Private Hire Update 4 – Following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Further to [TPH Notice 09/22](#), [TPH Notice 10/22](#) and [TPH Notice 11/22](#), this Notice provides further information about the arrangements for Lying-in-State, vehicle licensing inspections, taxi ranks and wellbeing.

Her Majesty's State Funeral is set to be one of the biggest events the capital has ever witnessed. As people come to London to pay their respects, areas around Westminster, Waterloo and Trafalgar Square, as well as along the South Bank, will be exceptionally busy.

Road closures and diversions will continue until after Monday 19 September as event infrastructure is removed. This is expected to take several days, so you should continue to check the MPS Twitter feeds - [@MetPoliceEvents](#) and [@MetPoliceUK](#) as well as the [MPS website](#) for the latest information.

Further road closures are expected. We will provide details in further [TPH Notices](#) and on the [@TfLTPH](#) Twitter feed as and when they become available.

The MPS is clear that only vehicles critical to the success and safety of events will be permitted access. Taxis and private hire vehicles will not be able to access these areas to pick-up or drop-off passengers for the duration of the closures.

More information can also be found on TfL's [dedicated webpage](#) for travel advice during the mourning period.

### Lying-in-State

Detailed information about Her Majesty The Queen's Lying-in-State at the Palace of Westminster is provided on the [.Gov website](#). This includes a map of the planned route of the queue.

The page also includes information on accessibility, including the location of an accessible queue at Victoria Tower Gardens. The accessible queue entrance in Victoria Tower Gardens is approximately half a mile from the accessible kiosk, that is located at Tate Britain on Millbank.

The [@DCMS Twitter feed](#) provides live updates on the queue and where you can join it. If you have passengers wishing to join the queue the most convenient drop-off point is likely to change frequently throughout the period.

### **Vehicle inspection centres**

Some of our vehicle inspection centres will be closed on the day of the funeral (Monday 19 September) so staff can pay their respects. Two vehicle inspection centres will remain open – Canning Town and Staples Corner – to carry out vehicle inspections where vehicle owners preferred to go ahead with their inspection on the day.

We have made attempts to contact all vehicle owners booked in for inspection on Monday 19 September to advise of the new arrangements but haven't been successful reaching everyone. If you have a vehicle inspection appointment booked for Monday 19 September at any of the following inspection centres: Heston, Coulsdon, Enfield and Crayford then please get in touch so we can advise you whether to bring your vehicle to either Canning Town or Staples Corner and at what time.

You can amend your booking online, which can be done 24 hours a day, seven days a week [here](#). Alternatively, you can call us on 0343 222 5555.

### **Taxi ranks**

Some taxi ranks will be suspended as a result of road closures, but temporary taxi ranks have been implemented and will be in operation 24-hours-a-day during the mourning period to assist people attending ceremonial events.

Details of the temporary taxi ranks are provided in [TPH Notice 11/22](#) and are as follows:

Site Name	Taxi Rank Name	Taxi Rank ID	Temporary Taxi Rank Plate
BERKELEY SQUARE	Berkeley Square (North West Corner), W1	TR5862	TRE001
DOVER STREET	Dover Street	TR5863	TRE002
PARK LANE	Park Lane (Grosvenor House Hotel Ballroom), W1	TR5636	TRE003
DOVER STREET	MAHIKI	TR6047	TRE004
PARK LANE	Park Lane (The Dorchester Hotel Ballroom), W1	TR5541	TRE005
REGENT STREET	Regent Street (Heddon Street), W1	TR5779	TRE006
PARK LANE SERVICE ROAD	Park Lane (Curzon Street), W1	TR5779	TRE007
REGENT STREET	Regent Street (Swallow Street), W1	TR4852	TRE008
ECCLESTON BRIDGE	Ecclestone Bridge, SW1 (R0003)	TR5654	TRE009
GILLINGHAM STREET	Gillingham Street (R0015)	TR5744	TRE010
GROSVENOR STREET	Grosvenor Street, W1 (R0005)	TR4045	TRE011
STRAND	Strand (St. Clement Danes Church), WC2 (R0013)	TR4859	TRE012
EMBANKMENT PLACE	Embankment Place (Northumberland Avenue), WC2	TR4982	TRE015

Taxi Marshals will be deployed at key locations at peak times to manage queues.

## **Silences**

It has been announced that at 8pm on Sunday 18 September there will be a one-minute silence where the public are invited to come together and observe a national moment of reflection to mourn and reflect on the life and legacy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

In addition, a two-minute silence will be observed at 11.55am on Monday 19 September to coincide with the conclusion of the Queen's funeral.

If a driver is undertaking a journey at this time and they wish to observe the silence, they should assess whether it is safe to stop for the duration of the silence or whether to continue the journey. They should also make a passenger aware of their intentions.

## **Wellbeing**

We are aware that this will be an upsetting time for many people, particularly if you have recently lost friends or members of your own family. Events such as this can trigger a reminder of the emotional impact that you have felt due to their loss.

If you are struggling, then please reach out for support and help. Details of the health and wellbeing services available to licensees are provided [here](#).

In addition, the bereavement charity Cruse has provided specific information for those affected by recent events: [www.cruse.org.uk/grief-for-her-majesty-the-queen](http://www.cruse.org.uk/grief-for-her-majesty-the-queen).

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