Transport for London London Taxi and Private Hire



Taxi and Private Hire Update 5 – Following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Lying-in-State

The Lying-in-State of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will continue until 6.30am tomorrow, Monday 19 September.

The <u>@DCMS</u> 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.

The accessible queue, starting at Tate Britain, has reached full capacity and is now permanently closed to new entrants.

Road Closures

Significant arrangements are being made in preparation for Her Majesty's State Funeral on Monday. There will be further extensive road closures over the course of today and tomorrow in preparation for Her Majesty's State Funeral and the route out to Windsor which will be Her Majesty's final resting place.

Sunday 18 September

From 18:00 today to the end of the day on Monday 19 September, major road closures are scheduled in central, west and southwest London for the State Funeral for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Monday 19 September

Road closures in central London remain in place. From 06:00 road closures will start to come in on the A4 and the A30, with full closures in place in both directions from 10:00 for the State Funeral procession for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II towards Windsor.

The A4 will completely close in both directions from 10:00 for the funeral procession towards Windsor. Multiple closures on local roads along the A4 route will also be in place. TfL will be working closely with the Police and other authorities to make sure road closures are lifted as soon as it is safe to do so on Monday.

Tuesday 20 September

There may also be some disruption during the rest of next week, as event infrastructure is removed.

For the most up-to-date information follow <u>@MetPoliceEvents</u> on Twitter. Further details can also be found on our dedicated webpage: <u>Travel advice for the mourning period</u>.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral

Her Majesty's State Funeral will take place at 11:00 on Monday 19 September at Westminster Abbey, alongside processions in London and Windsor with public viewing areas in both locations. Big screens will be put up in London's Hyde Park and other locations across the country.

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) has <u>published plans</u> for how the public can watch Her Majesty The Queen's state funeral and ceremonial processions in London. The DCMS has also provided information about <u>the State</u>

<u>Funeral and Committal Service</u>, including the route and timings of Her Majesty's procession through London and onto Windsor.

Taxi Marshals

Taxi marshals have been in place at busy ranks close to the ceremonial events since Friday and they will remain in place today, Sunday 18 September, and tomorrow, Monday 19 September.

The location of marshals is likely to change throughout the day, depending on customer demand. We are expecting London to be extremely busy around the ceremonial footprint, including Hyde Park. Please follow @LDNTaxiMarshall on Twitter for information about where taxis are needed throughout the period.

Silences

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 Her Majesty's funeral.

If a driver is undertaking a journey at these times 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.

Welfare and wellbeing

Most food and retail outlets will be closed on Monday 19 September so staff can pay their respects. We would recommend that drivers working on the day bring food and drink with them.

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.

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