

Knowledge of the Bedford Area Test Syllabus

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TAXI (HACKNEY CARRIAGE) / PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVERS' ENGLISH ASSESSMENT TEST AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE BEDFORD AREA TEST

As of 18 February 2004 (Executive Committee) every applicant applying for the first time for a Taxi/Private Hire Driver's Licence will be required to successfully show that they have a basic understanding of the English language, knowledge of the Bedford area and driving skills to an appropriate standard. For this there are three separate tests.

The English Assessment Test has written and verbal elements to determine that applicants have a basic ability to converse and understand written English. The Assessment will be conducted by an officer of the Council, comprises a total of 7 questions and should last no more than 15 minutes. This requirement will also apply to those applicants who have had a gap in their licence period of six months or more. The result of the Assessment will be communicated to the applicant after the test and then confirmed in writing. Those who fail the English Assessment Test will not normally thereafter be granted a licence.

There is no separate charge for this test and applicants can arrange to sit the test by making the booking in person at Customer Engagement Centre, Horne Lane or by contacting the Licensing Team. Tests normally take place on Tuesday mornings beginning at 11am.

Prior to being licensed you must also successfully pass the Knowledge of the Bedford Area Test set by Bedford Borough Council unless exempted on the following grounds:

- You have held a Taxi/Private Hire Drivers' Licence for more than three years ending no greater than 6 months from the date of application.
- You have taken a knowledge test within the last three years.
- You are renewing your Taxi/Private Hire Drivers' Licence (an application submitted after the Licence has expired is not considered to be a renewal of that Licence).

The Test Specification is set out below, as is the syllabus for the Knowledge of Bedford Area Test.

Test sessions will take place at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, each Tuesday afternoon beginning at 12.00. Bookings for the test should be made through the Main Reception, Customer Engagement Centre, Horne Lane. The fee for the test must accompany bookings for the test. When taking the test, a member of staff will supervise applicants. Marking of questions related to licence conditions will be strictly adhered to; only accurate and unambiguous answers will receive the full marks available.

You are required to bring with you on the day of your English & Knowledge Tests photographic I.D

You are advised also that late arrivals will not be tested that day and must re-book.

Please also note that the following cancellation charges will apply in respect of the Knowledge of the Bedford Area Test –

- Notification within 24 hours no charge
- 24 hours not given (or failure to attend) charge £40.00

It is the intention that tests will be marked and checked and applicants informed in writing of their individual mark within five days after the test has been taken.

Your attention is further drawn to the fact that from a date to be determined Private Hire and Taxi drivers will have their driving skills assessed when they first seek to be licensed (or have a gap in their licence of six months or more) with those who fail the assessment not normally being licensed.

As with any examination, applicants are advised to prepare for the Knowledge of the Bedford Area Test.

This may involve reading and re-reading the syllabus, cross checking the syllabus against a map of the roads in the Bedford area, familiarising yourself with the actual roads in Bedford and Kempston and undertaking practice tests with friends, family or colleagues.

KNOWLEDGE OF THE BEDFORD AREA TEST SPECIFICATION

The standard test is a written test comprising four sections and a total of 34 questions. There will be a maximum of one hour for the test and each question in sections A, B and C carry a maximum of two marks with questions in section D carrying one mark each. The minimum score to pass the test is 39 marks (65%).

The four sections of the Test are as follows:-

(A) Roads

Fifteen questions in which the applicant is given the names of individual roads and will be asked to indicate as accurately as possible the location of the roads. Applicants may describe the location by referring to adjoining roads or, if necessary, to landmarks.

(B) Places

Seven questions in which the applicant is given the name of a property (such as Public Houses, Clubs, Schools and/or Hospitals) and again asked to indicate the location.

(C) Route

Four questions in which the applicant is given the location of roads and/or places and asked to indicate the most direct route (taking account of such matters as one-way systems).

(D) Conditions

Eight questions based on the Council's Taxi/Private Hire Drivers' Licences and general highway law.

TEST SYLLABUS

The remainder of this document sets out the syllabus for the test for Sections A, B and C. For Section D, the Council's conditions/ expected standards for Licence holders are set out at Appendix A and B and attached to individual Licences.

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL SYLLABUS FOR THE KNOWLEDGE OF BEDFORD AREA TEST

Core Road Routes - followed by roads leading from the core route

AMPTHILL ROAD (Bedford & Kempston) BARKERS LANE, BEDFORD

AMPTHILL ROAD
ASPLEY ROAD
OMBERSLEY ROAD
ALTHORPE STREET
AMPTHILL ROAD
BUNYAN ROAD, BEDFORD
CHURCHVILLE ROAD

COLLEGE ROAD, BEDFORD

EASTVILLE ROAD HOUGHTON ROAD MARYVILLE ROAD MILLBROOK ROAD MUSWELL ROAD OFFA ROAD

RIDGEMONT STREET ST LEONARDS STREET

COSMIC AVENUE LYNTON GROVE SEXTON AVENUE SANDHURST ROAD

ASHBURNHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

THE FINCHES
WOBURN ROAD
GURU RAVIDASS LANE
ASHBURNHAM ROAD

AVON DRIVE, BEDFORD

LAMBOURN WAY
TORRIDGE RISE
TYNE CRESCENT
WAVENEY AVENUE
DOVE ROAD
BOURNESIDE
ARUN CLOSE
AVON DRIVE

ADDINGTON CLOSE BRUNEL ROAD CHINNOR CLOSE COLES CLOSE DONNELLY DRIVE KIMBLE DRIVE

KING EDWARD ROAD MOUNTBATTEN PLACE

ROSEBY WAY
RIVERFIELD DRIVE
HUDDLESTON WAY
WENDOVER DRIVE
BARKERS LANE

BEDFORD ROAD, KEMPSTON

FARRER STREET STUART ROAD BEATRICE STREET LITTLEDALE STREET MARNE STREET PARK ROAD

SILVERDALE STREET THORNTON STREET WALCOURT ROAD MARLBOROUGH PARK HILLGROUNDS ROAD

KING STREET FOSTER ROAD HALSEY ROAD MARGETTS ROAD CLEVELAND STREET BUNYAN ROAD BEDFORD ROAD

BRECON WAY, BEDFORD

BEAULIEU WAY TWEEDSMUIR ROAD ASPEN AVENUE ROWALLAN DRIVE BRECON WAY

BRICKHILL DRIVE, BEDFORD

CURLEW CRESCENT
KESTREL ROAD
LARKWAY
MERLIN GARDENS
MALLARD HILL
ROBIN HILL
ROOKSMEAD
LINNET WAY
EAGLE GARDENS
GAINSBOROUGH RISE
BRICKHILL DRIVE

BROMHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

BIDDENHAM TURN BEVERLEY CRESCENT **BEVERLEY GROVE CUTCLIFFE GROVE** WEST GROVE **CONDUIT ROAD** HASSETT STREET ROISE STREET **GREYFRIARS** ASHBURNHAM ROAD **DEEP SPINNEY HURST GROVE** DAYS LANE WINDMILL HILL SHAKESPEARE ROAD LINDEN ROAD UNION STREET THE CRESCENT ADELAIDE SQUARE **BROMHAM ROAD**

BUNYAN ROAD, KEMPSTON

TEMPSFORD STREET CONISTON CLOSE THIRLMERE ROAD ELSTOW ROAD BUNYAN ROAD

CAMBRIDGE ROAD, BEDFORD

ARKWRIGHT ROAD ASTON ROAD ST MARTINS WAY TELFORD WAY MEADOW LANE CAMBRIDGE ROAD HIGH ROAD

CARDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

CHETHAMS
MARETH ROAD
STANNARD WAY
LOVELL ROAD
BEDESMAN LANE
DUCK MILL LANE
KINGSBROOK ROAD
RAY'S CLOSE
BARFORD AVENUE
FENLAKE ROAD
ROPE WALK
LONGHOLME WAY
EASTCOTTS ROAD
CARDINGTON ROAD

CASTLE ROAD, BEDFORD

ALBANY ROAD
ROTHSAY ROAD
BOWER STREET
DENMARK STREET
HOWBURY STREET
PEMBROKE STREET
YORK STREET
DUDLEY STREET
GREENSHIELDS ROAD
BUSHMEAD AVENUE
GEORGE STREET
PHILLPOTTS AVENUE
CASTLE ROAD

CAULDWELL STREET, BEDFORD

KINGSWAY
CAULDWELL PLACE
CAULDWELL STREET

EASTCOTTS ROAD, BEDFORD

ALBURGH CLOSE BRAMPTON CLOSE EASTCOTTS ROAD HIGH ROAD

CEMETERY ROAD, KEMPSTON

GREEN END ROAD CHURCH ROAD CEMETERY ROAD

ELSTOW ROAD, BEDFORD

HAYNES ROAD
BEECHDALE ROAD
CONQUEST ROAD
FIRBANK ROAD
GROSVENOR STREET
HAWKINS ROAD
HOPE ROAD
KELVIN AVENUE
KENNEDY ROAD
PEARCEY ROAD
REDWOOD GROVE
BRACKLEY ROAD
ARMSTRONG DRIVE
ELSTOW ROAD

CHANTRY ROAD, KEMPSTON

CHANTRY AVENUE
ORCHARD STREET
LYON CLOSE
RONALD CLOSE
WOLSELEY ROAD
BROOKLANDS
TRIUMPH WAY
CHANTRY ROAD

CHURCH LANE, BEDFORD

CAISTER ROAD ARUNDEL DRIVE PUTNOE STREET ELLIOTT CRESCENT NEEDWOOD ROAD CHURCH LANE

ELSTOW ROAD, KEMPSTON

SOUTHFIELDS ROAD
THE HORNBEAMS
ROCKBECK CLOSE
JOWITT AVENUE
FARRER STREET
MARGETTS ROAD
SPRING ROAD
ORCHARD STREET
ELSTOW ROAD, KEMPSTON

CLAPHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

MANTON LANE
CUT THROAT LANE
LINDEN ROAD
CLARENDON STREET
SHAKESPEARE ROAD
CLAPHAM ROAD

EUGSTER AVENUE, KEMPSTON

BARNARD AVENUE BROOK DRIVE DITMAS AVENUE DURLER AVENUE DEACON AVENUE EUGSTER AVENUE

DAME ALICE STREET, BEDFORD

HARPUR STREET ST LOYES STREET DAME ALICE STREET

FORD END ROAD, BEDFORD

HENLEY ROAD
WOODSTOCK ROAD
COVENTRY ROAD
CROMWELL ROAD
FAIRFAX ROAD
HAVELOCK STREET
LAWRENCE STREET
MARLBOROUGH ROAD
NELSON STREET
RALEIGH STREET
WESTBOURNE ROAD
HURST GROVE
COXS CLOSE
FORD END ROAD

FOSTER HILL ROAD, BEDFORD

PARK AVENUE STANLEY STREET ROFF AVENUE ARGYLL STREET CAVENDISH STREET FOSTER STREET PRINCES STREET WELLINGTON STREET FOSTER HILL ROAD

GEORGE STREET, BEDFORD

ROSAMOND ROAD RUSSELL AVENUE CASTLE ROAD KINGSLEY ROAD GEORGE STREET

GOLDINGTON GREEN, BEDFORD

BALLINGHALL CLOSE CRICKET LANE GOLDINGTON GREEN

GOLDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

ABBEY ROAD
CHAPEL CLOSE
GRANGE ROAD
HARVEY ROAD
RIVERFIELD DRIVE
SANDY ROAD
BROOKFIELD ROAD
PEARMAIN CLOSE
QUEEN ALEXANDRA ROAD
ROTHSAY GARDENS
THE GROVE
PHILPOTTS AVENUE

BRADGATE ROAD
GOLDINGTON AVENUE

CAVES LANE TALBOT ROAD BURY WALK

SHUTTLEWORTH ROAD ABRAHAMS CLOSE POLHILL AVENUE GOLDINGTON GREEN BARKERS LANE

NEWNHAM AVENUE DEAN STREET GEORGE STREET DUDLEY STREET DENMARK STREET BOWER STREET HOWBURY STREET

BUSHMEAD AVENUE GOLDINGTON ROAD

GREYFRIARS, BEDFORD

ALEXANDRA PLACE HASSETT STREET BECKETT STREET THURLOW STREET GREYFRIARS

HARPUR STREET, BEDFORD

BALSALL STREET EAST BALSALL STREET WEST LIME STREET ST LOYES STREET DAME ALICE STREET HARPUR STREET

HARROWDEN ROAD, BEDFORD

LOVELL ROAD WORCESTER ROAD DUCHESS ROAD HARROWDEN ROAD HIGH ROAD

HARTER ROAD, KEMPSTON

WILLIAMSON ROAD HUNTINGDON ROAD HARTER ROAD

HAYLANDS WAY, BEDFORD

HERONSCROFT
FAIRHOLME
LEASWAY
CHILTERN AVENUE
MENDIP CRESCENT
HAYLANDS WAY

HIGH STREET, BEDFORD

MILL STREET ST PAULS SQUARE THE EMBANKMENT HIGH STREET

HIGH STREET, KEMPSTON

COUNTESS GARDENS
GALLOWAY CLOSE
LODGE AVENUE
WYATT ROAD
CHURCH WALK
MOLLY MOORE AVENUE
JUDITH GARDENS
KING WILLIAM ROAD
MANOR DRIVE
WATER LANE
BARTRAM CLOSE
HIGH STREET, KEMPSTON

HILLGROUNDS ROAD, KEMPSTON

EMMERTON ROAD CHAPMAN CLOSE **DENTON CLOSE** EARLS HOLME EGGLESTONE CLOSE FOWLER CLOSE GILBERT CLOSE **GULLIVER CLOSE** LOVERIDGE AVENUE MARSHALL CLOSE MOBBS CLOSE MORTIMER ROAD **NEWBURY CLOSE ODELL CLOSE** SANDERS CLOSE VYNE CLOSE **BUTLER WAY ELY WAY** HARTWELL DRIVE PRENTICE GARDENS **GULLIVER CLOSE** HILLGROUNDS ROAD

HURST GROVE, BEDFORD

HOWARD AVENUE
HEALEY ROAD
IDDESLEIGH ROAD
PRESTON ROAD
QUEENSBURY CLOSE
WINIFRED ROAD
HURST GROVE

KEMPSTON ROAD, BEDFORD

PALGRAVE ROAD
CAULDWELL WALK
DALLAS ROAD
BRITANNIA ROAD
EDWARD ROAD
STAFFORD ROAD
VICTORIA ROAD
WHITBREAD AVENUE
KEMPSTON ROAD

KIMBOLTON ROAD, BEDFORD

NURSERY GARDENS CARLTON GARDENS CROFTON CLOSE BALMORAL AVENUE ST EDMUND ROAD ST MICHAELS ROAD ST AUGUSTINES ROAD

GLEBE ROAD
PEMBERLEY LANE
KIMBOLTON AVENUE
OAKLANDS ROAD
ELLIS ROAD

PEMBERLEY AVENUE
ST ALBAN ROAD
PARK AVENUE
BRICKHILL DRIVE
AVON DRIVE
ROWALLAN DRIVE
PUTNOE LANE
POLHILL AVENUE

WINDSOR GARDENS TAMAR ROAD KIMBOLTON ROAD

KINGSWAY, BEDFORD

MELBOURNE STREET KINGSWAY

LINNET WAY, BEDFORD

STARLING WAY FALCON AVENUE LINNET WAY

LONDON ROAD, BEDFORD

BARFORD AVENUE FALDO ROAD FENLAKE ROAD CEDAR ROAD HAZELWOOD ROAD

OAK ROAD ACACIA ROAD

ST LEONARDS AVENUE

STATION ROAD ELSTOW ROAD BROOK STREET IVY ROAD

KATHIE ROAD MYRTLE ROAD

ST HELENA ROAD, BEDFORD

VULCAN STREET LONDON ROAD

LONGHOLME WAY, BEDFORD

THE EMBANKMENT LONGHOLME WAY

MANTON LANE, BEDFORD

TURNER WAY MURDOCK ROAD MANTON LANE

MARGETTS ROAD, KEMPSTON

GARNITH CLOSE
CATER STREET
DUNCOMBE STREET
HOWARD STREET
SPRINGFIELD AVENUE
MARGETTS ROAD

MIDLAND ROAD, BEDFORD

ALEXANDRA ROAD
BATTISON STREET
BRERETON ROAD
COSTIN STREET
GRAFTON ROAD
MAITLAND STREET
PRIORY STREET
RIVER STREET
RUTLAND ROAD
WESTERN STREET
GREYFRIARS
PREBEND STREET

NEWNHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

NEWNHAM ROAD

NORSE ROAD, BEDFORD

CAXTON ROAD
HUDSON ROAD
NAPIER ROAD
GLENAVON ROAD
HAMSTERLEY CLOSE
POPPYFIELDS
ASGARD DRIVE
NORSE ROAD

MILE ROAD, BEDFORD

MIDLAND ROAD

BERKELEY ROAD BROAD AVENUE LANCASTER AVENUE MEADOWSWEET DRIVE MOOR LANE MOWBRAY ROAD PILGRIMS WAY WINDSOR ROAD MILE ROAD

OLD FORD END ROAD, BEDFORD

CHESTER ROAD
CHESTNUT AVENUE
HAWTHORNE AVENUE
HONEY HILL ROAD
MARTHAM CLOSE
HICKLING CLOSE
ORMESBY WAY
OUSELAND ROAD
SAUNDERS GARDENS
SHORT STREET
ST PAUL'S ROAD
TRINITY ROAD
WROXHAM WAY
OLD FORD END ROAD

MILL STREET, BEDFORD

DUKE STREET
GADSBY STREET
HOWARD STREET
ST CUTHBERTS STREET
MILL STREET

ORCHARD STREET, KEMPSTON

THE SYCAMORES
EATON ROAD
HIGHFIELD ROAD
THE BRIARS
THE ELMS
THE HOLLIES
THE LINKS
THE ALDERS
CHERRY WALK
LILAC WALK
ORCHARD STREET

NEWNHAM AVENUE, BEDFORD

ROSAMUND ROAD
WENDOVER DRIVE
DEAN STREET
CASTLE ROAD
GREENSHIELDS ROAD
KINGSLEY ROAD
BARKERS LANE
NEWNHAM AVENUE

PARK ROAD NORTH, BEDFORD

GLADSTONE STREET HARTINGTON STREET SALISBURY STREET HILL RISE, BEDFORD PARK ROAD NORTH

POLHILL AVENUE, BEDFORD

HAYLANDS WAY
BARNSTAPLE ROAD
DAWLISH DRIVE
BRENDON AVENUE
SELSEY WAY
POLHILL AVENUE

PREBEND STREET, BEDFORD

COMMERCIAL ROAD CROWN QUAY PREBEND STREET

PARK AVENUE, BEDFORD

PEMBERLEY AVENUE ST ALBAN ROAD ST ANDREW'S ROAD ST AUGUSTINE'S ROAD DE PARY'S AVENUE PARK AVENUE

PROGRESS WAY, ELSTOW

HILLESDEN AVENUE, ELSTOW PROGRESS WAY, ELSTOW

PUTNOE LANE, BEDFORD

DUNVEGAN WAY

NEWSTEAD WAY
GREENACRES
ORCHARD CLOSE, BEDFORD
POPLAR AVENUE
CHILTERN AVENUE
STANCLIFFE ROAD
QUEENS DRIVE
PUTNOE HEIGHTS
PUTNOE STREET
BRECON WAY
PUTNOE LANE

PUTNOE STREET, BEDFORD

BOWHILL
LITTLE HEADLANDS
BAMBURGH DRIVE
HARLECH ROAD
MOUNT DRIVE
CHELTENHAM CLOSE
NORTHCOTE
PUTNOE HEIGHTS
PUTNOE STREET

QUEENS DRIVE, BEDFORD

ARROW LEYS
BRAESIDE
QUEENS CRESCENT
CORNLAND
MONKSHILL
MOUNT DRIVE
OVERDALE
ROUNDMEAD
THE RISINGS
VICARS WALK
THE GRAYLINGS
BOWHILL
HAYLANDS WAY
QUEENS DRIVE

RIDGE ROAD, KEMPSTON

HILL RISE, KEMPSTON IBBET CLOSE THE CHASE RIDGE ROAD

St CUTHBERT'S STREET, BEDFORD

LURKE STREET GROVE PLACE NEWNHAM STREET ST CUTHBERTS STREET

ROFF AVENUE, BEDFORD

BEACONSFIELD STREET PARK ROAD WEST ROFF AVENUE

St JOHN'S STREET, BEDFORD

ST JOHNS STREET, BEDFORD

ROPE WALK, BEDFORD

ROPE WALK

St JOHN'S STREET, KEMPSTON

ST JOHNS AVENUE THE WINDEMERE ST JOHNS STREET, KEMPSTON

ROWALLAN DRIVE, BEDFORD

FOXLEASE LOWTHER ROAD HARRINGTON DRIVE POPLAR AVENUE ROWALLAN DRIVE

St LOYES STREET, BEDFORD

ALLHALLOWS DANE STREET ST LOYES STREET

SHAFTESBURY AVENUE, BEDFORD

SHAFTESBURY AVENUE

St MARY'S STREET, BEDFORD

DUCK MILL LANE ST MARY'S STREET

SHAKESPEARE ROAD, BEDFORD

BYRON CRESCENT COWPER ROAD MILTON ROAD TUDOR CLOSE WARWICK AVENUE SHAKESPEARE ROAD

St PAUL'S SQUARE, BEDFORD

HORNE LANE HIGH STREET ST PAUL'S SQUARE

SPRING ROAD, KEMPSTON

ASHDALE AVENUE COLLEGE STREET SPRING GARDENS STONEDALE ROAD WHITTINGSTALL AVENUE SPRING ROAD

St PETER'S STREET, BEDFORD

ST CUTHBERTS STREET THE MEWS ST PETERS STREET

TAVISTOCK STREET, BEDFORD

CHANDOS STREET
QUEEN STREET
WELLINGTON STREET
TAVISTOCK PLACE
PEEL STREET
THE CRESCENT
ADELAIDE SQUARE
HARPUR STREET
TAVISTOCK STREET

THE BROADWAY, BEDFORD

FOSTER HILL ROAD DE PARYS AVENUE THE BROADWAY

THE EMBANKMENT, BEDFORD

NEWNHAM ROAD
BUSHMEAD AVENUE
ROTHSAY ROAD
TENNYSON ROAD
ALBANY ROAD
SHAFTESBURY AVENUE
THE EMBANKMENT

TURNER WAY, BEDFORD

CONSTABLE HILL
GAINSBOROUGH RISE
KNELLER CLOSE
ROWLANDSON WAY
HOGARTH CLOSE
TURNER WAY

TYNE CRESCENT, BEDFORD

WANSBECK ROAD **BEAUFORT WALK** OTTER WAY CARRON ROAD CONNAUGHT WAY DOUGLAS ROAD HAMBLE ROAD KENNET RISE MARLOW WAY MORISTON ROAD RHINELAND WAY RYTON CLOSE ASHMEAD ROAD WEAVER CLOSE **WESTROPE WAY** TYNE CRESCENT

UNION STREET, BEDFORD

LANSDOWNE ROAD TREVOR STREET TAVISTOCK PLACE WARWICK AVENUE UNION STREET

WAVENEY AVENUE, BEDFORD

DART ROAD
SEVERN WAY
FALCON AVENUE
AVON DRIVE
WAVENEY AVENUE
DEESIDE
TAMAR ROAD

WENTWORTH DRIVE, BEDFORD

PUTNOE LANE
BIRKDALE ROAD
BUCKFAST AVENUE
PARKSTONE CLOSE
COLCHESTER WAY
DOVER CRESCENT
BRECON WAY
WENTWORTH DRIVE

WEST END, ELSTOW

ABBEYFIELDS WEST END, ELSTOW

WILLIAMSON ROAD, KEMPSTON

BALLIOL ROAD CARNELL CLOSE DENNIS ROAD HASTINGS ROAD HOOPER CLOSE LINCOLN ROAD WILLIAMSON ROAD

WOBURN ROAD, KEMPSTON

NAYLOR AVENUE
HARTER ROAD
DUDLEY CLOSE
POSTLEY ROAD
WOLSELEY ROAD
ABBOTT CRESCENT
CRYSELCO CLOSE
CHANTRY ROAD
WOBURN ROAD, KEMPSTON

SYLLABUS FOR THE KNOWLEDGE OF BEDFORD AREA TEST

Property/Place

Address

BARNS HOTEL AND RESTAURANT	CARDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD
BEDFORD ASPECTS LEISURE PARK	NEWNHAM AVENUE, BEDFORD
BEDFORD ATHLETIC STADIUM	BARKERS LANE, BEDFORD
BEDFORD BUS STATION	GREYFRIARS, BEDFORD

BEDFORD COLLEGE CAULDWELL STREET, BEDFORD BEDFORD CORN EXCHANGE ST PAUL'S SQUARE, BEDFORD

BEDFORD COUNTY COURT OFFICES ST PAUL'S SQUARE, BEDFORD

BEDFORD HOSPITAL AMPTHILL, BRITANNIA & KEMPSTON ROADS
BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL MANTON LANE, BEDFORD

BEDFORD RUGBY UNION GROUND GOLDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

BEDFORDSHIRE & LUTON FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE HQ SOUTHFIELDS ROAD, KEMPSTON

BEDFORDSHIRE PILGRIMS HOUSING ASSOC HQ HORNE LANE, BEDFORD

BOROUGH HALL CAULDWELL STREET, BEDFORD

BUNYAN MEETING CHURCH MUSEUM MILL STREET, BEDFORD

BUNYAN SPORTS CENTRE MILE ROAD, BEDFORD

CAMBRIDGE ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE CAMBRIDGE ROAD, BEDFORD CECIL HIGGINS ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM CASTLE LANE, BEDFORD

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU ST PAUL'S SQUARE, BEDFORD

CORN EXCHANGE ST PAUL'S SQAURE, BEDFORD COUNTY POLICE HQ WOBURN ROAD, KEMPSTON

CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT CENTRE HORNE LANE, BEDFORD

DALLAS ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE KEMPSTON ROAD, BEDFORD

DAUBENEY MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHARD STREET, BEDFORD
DE MONTFORT UNIVERSITY – LANSDOWNE SITE LANSDOWNE ROAD, BEDFORD

DE MONTFORT UNIVERSITY – POLHILL SITE POLHILL AVENUE. BEDFORD

DE PARYS HOTEL DE PARYS AVENUE, BEDFORD DE PARYS AVENUE, BEDFORD MANTON LANE, BEDFORD

ELMS FARM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

NORSE ROAD, BEDFORD

FIGARO'S RESTAURANT COMMERCIAL ROAD, BEDFORD

GREYFRIARS POLICE STATION GREYFRIARS, BEDFORD
HASTINGSBURY SCHOOL HILL RISE, KEMPSTON

HAZELDINE LOWER SCHOOL STANCLIFFE ROAD, PUTNOE LANE, BEDFORD KEMPSTON SAINSBURYS SAXON CENTRE, BEDFORD ROAD, KEMPSTON

KEMPSTON SWIMMING POOL HILLGROUNDS, KEMPSTON
KIMBOLTON HOTEL CLAPHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

MANOR HOSPITAL CHURCH END, BIDDENHAM MECCA BINGO HALL LONDON ROAD, BEDFORD

MIDLAND RAILWAY STATION

MOWSBURY GOLF COMPLEX

OASIS LEISURE POOL

PRIORY MARINA

ASHBURNHAM ROAD, BEDFORD

KIMBOLTON ROAD, BEDFORD

CARDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

BARKERS LANE, BEDFORD

Property/Place

RIVERSIDE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

REGISTRATION OFFICE - BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES BRICKHILL DRIVE, BEDFORD

Address

BRADGATE RD/GOLDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

RIOBELLA RESTAURANT ST MARYS STREET, BEDFORD

ROBINSON SWIMMING POOL FOSTER HILL ROAD, BEDFORD SPRINGFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL ORCHARD STREET, KEMPSTON ST HELENA RESTAURANT HIGH STREET, ELSTOW, BEDFORD

TAXATION OFFICE, CHAILEY HOUSE CARDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD

TENNYSON HOUSE HOTEL SHAKESPEARE ROAD, BEDFORD
TESCO 1 – EAST BEDFORD RIVERFIELD DRIVE, BEDFORD
TESCO 2 – SOUTH BEDFORD CARDINGTON ROAD, BEDFORD
THE BEDFORD HOCKEY CENTRE CHESTER ROAD, BEDFORD

THE BULL PUBLIC HOUSE

THE DEVONSHIRE ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE

THE DUKE PUBLIC HOUSE

LONDON ROAD, BEDFORD

DUDLEY STREET, BEDFORD

CHANTRY ROAD, KEMPSTON

THE DUKE PUBLIC HOUSE

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SHAKESPEARE ROAD, BEDFORD

THE EMBANKMENT HOTEL

THE GRAFTON HOTEL

MIDLAND ROAD, BEDFORD

THE GRIFFIN PUBLIC HOUSE

THE HERTFORD HOUSE HOTEL

THE KENT ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE

BEDFORD ROAD, KEMPSTON

DE PARYS AVENUE, BEDFORD

SALISBURY STREET, BEDFORD

THE MILL PUBLIC HOUSE MILL STREET, BEDFORD

THE PARK PUBLIC HOUSE

THE STUDIO CLUB

THE SWAN HOTEL

KIMBOLTON ROAD, BEDFORD

ALEXANDRA ROAD, BEDFORD

THE EMBANKMENT, BEDFORD

THE TIGER MOTH AVON DRIVE, BEDFORD

THE WHITE HORSE PUBLIC HOUSE

NEWNHAM AVENUE, BEDFORD

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

ST PAUL'S SQUARE, BEDFORD

WOBURN ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE WOBURN ROAD & A421, KEMPSTON



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CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCES

- 1. The driver shall immediately on receipt of the licence deliver the same for retention by the proprietor of the licensed private hire vehicle whilst such driver remains in his/her employ.
- 2. The driver shall:
 - a) when requested by any person hiring or seeking to hire a private hire vehicle:
 - (i) Convey a reasonable quantity of luggage
 - (ii) Afford reasonable assistance in loading and unloading
 - (iii) Afford reasonable assistance in removing it to or from the entrance of any house, station
 - or place at which he may take up or set down such persons
 - b) behave in a civil and orderly manner and shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of persons conveyed in or entering or alighting from the vehicle.
 - c) not smoke in the vehicle when the vehicle is available for hire or in use as such and shall request that passengers in the vehicle do not smoke.
 - d) not without the express consent of the hirer, drink or eat in the vehicle.
 - e) not without the express consent of the hirer, play any radio or sound reproducing instrument or equipment in the vehicle other than for the purpose of sending or receiving messages in connection with the operation of the vehicle.
 - f) at no time cause or permit the noise emitted by any radio or other previously mentioned equipment in the vehicle which he is driving to be a source of nuisance or annoyance to any person, whether inside or outside the vehicle.
- 3. (1) The driver shall not convey or permit to be conveyed in a private hire vehicle a greater number of
 - persons than that prescribed in the licence for the vehicle.
 - (2) The driver shall not, without the consent of the hirer of a vehicle, convey or permit to be conveyed, any other person in that vehicle.
- 4. (1) The driver shall, immediately after the termination of any hiring of a private hire vehicle or as
 - soon as practicable thereafter, carefully search the vehicle for any property which may have been accidentally left there.

- (2) If any property accidentally left in a private hire vehicle by any person who may have been conveyed therein is found by or handed to the driver, the driver shall:
 - (a) carry it within twenty four hours, if not sooner claimed by or on behalf of its owner, to a Police Station within the district, and leave it in the custody of the Officer in Charge of the Police Station on his giving a receipt for it.
 - (b) be entitled to receive from any person to whom the property shall be redelivered an amount equal to 5 pence in the pound of its estimated value (or the fare for the distance from the place of finding to the Police Station, whichever be the greater) but not more than five pounds.
- 5. The driver of a private hire vehicle shall, if he is aware that the vehicle has been hired to be in attendance at an appointed time and place, or he has otherwise been instructed by the operator or proprietor of the vehicle to be in attendance at an appointed time and place, punctually attend at that appointed time and place, unless delayed or prevented by sufficient cause.
- 6. The driver shall not, without reasonable cause, unnecessarily prolong, in distance or in time, a journey for which the private hire vehicle, he or she is driving, has been hired.
- 7. If the driver is not the proprietor of the private hire vehicle he or she is driving, or is in the charge of, when the vehicle is involved in an accident, he or she shall report or cause to be reported to the proprietor of that vehicle details of the accident in which the vehicle has been involved, as soon as reasonably practical, and in any case within 72 hours of occurrence of the accident.
- 8. The driver must inform the Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters, Bedford Borough Council, Cauldwell Street, Bedford MK42 9AP, in writing, within seven days of any motoring or other criminal conviction which has occurred since the granting of this licence.
- 9. The driver shall, at all times when acting in accordance with this licence, wear in such a position, as to be plainly and distinctly visible, the badge issued to him by the Council pursuant to Section 54(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.
- 10. The Private Hire Driver's badge shall be provided by, and at all times remain the property of, the Council and upon the Council suspending, revoking or refusing to renew this licence, the driver shall, on demand, return the badge to the Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters, Bedford Borough Council, Cauldwell Street, Bedford MK42 9AP.
- 11. A medical certificate shall be produced by the driver within seven days of a request by the Council for such certificate and must be provided annually, after attaining 65 years of age.
- 12. If the driver has knowingly conveyed in a private hire vehicle, the dead body of any person, he shall immediately thereafter notify the fact to the Council's Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters.

- 13. The Private Hire vehicle being driven shall have signs affixed and maintained on the nearside and offside front or rear doors, of a size and general design as specified by the Council and state only the name, address and telephone number of the operator of the vehicle and the legend "Advance Bookings Only" (unless otherwise exempted).
- 14. The driver shall at no time advertise his services as a "Taxi", "Cab", "Taxi-cab" or any combination of words or letters, which, when pronounced, would sound similar to such words.
- 15. The driver of the licensed vehicle shall submit that vehicle to a safety check when required, on the demand of an authorised officer of the Council or police officer and shall produce the vehicle at such place for such a check as may be notified by the officer.
- 16. Unless otherwise exempted in writing by the Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters, the Licensee shall permit to enter the licensed vehicle a dog trained to assist a disabled person when a disabled person is accompanied by such a dog and shall allow the said dog to remain with the disabled person throughout the duration of the journey booked by, or on behalf of, the disabled person; no charge or additional charge shall be made to the disabled person for the carrying of the said dog.
- 17. Within 7 days of a change of home address of the licensee, s/he will notify the change of address to the Council's Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters.
- 18. Where indicated, the Licensee is also hereby authorised to drive a licensed vehicle as required in order to conform to a contract from the Council for transport services (e.g. School Transport). This authorisation is separate from the Private Hire Driver Licence concerned and may be removed at any time by the Council as the commissioning party to such a contract. This separate authorisation is also subject to compliance with the requirements of the specific contract for transport services. This authorisation is indicated, if it applies, by the words "incorporating School Transport badge" on the face of the identification badge referred to in Condition 9 above. Where the said identification badge does not include the words "incorporating School Transport badge", the holder of this Licence is not authorised to drive a licensed vehicle in pursuance of a contract with the Council for transport services.
- 19. The Council reserves the right to vary, delete or waive any of the foregoing conditions.

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EXPECTED STANDARDS FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENSEES

- 1. The driver shall immediately on receipt of the licence, deliver the same for retention by the proprietor of the licensed hackney carriage, whilst such driver remains in his/her employ.
- 2. The driver shall, at all times when acting in accordance with this licence, wear, in such a position as to be plainly and distinctly visible, the badge issued to him/her by the Council pursuant to Section 54(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.
- The driver shall:
 - (a) Not smoke in the vehicle when the vehicle is available for hire or in use as such and shall request that passengers in the vehicle do not smoke.
 - (b) Not without the express consent of the hirer, drink or eat in the vehicle.
 - (c) Not without the express consent of the hirer, play any radio or sound reproducing instrument or equipment in the vehicle, other than for the purpose of sending or receiving messages in connection with the operation of the vehicle.
 - (d) at no time cause or permit the noise emitted by any radio or other previously mentioned equipment in the vehicle which he is driving, to be a source of nuisance or annoyance to any person, whether inside or outside the vehicle.
- 4. The driver shall not, without reasonable cause, unnecessarily prolong, in distance or in time, a journey for which the hackney carriage he or she is driving has been hired.
- 5. If the driver is not the proprietor of the hackney carriage he or she is driving or is in the charge of when the vehicle is involved in an accident, he or she shall report or cause to be reported to the proprietor of that vehicle, details of the accident in which the vehicle has been involved, as soon as possible after the occurrence of the accident and at the latest no more than 72 hours after the occurrence of the accident.
- 6. The driver must inform the Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters, Bedford Borough Council, Borough Hall, Bedford MK42 9AP, in writing within seven days of any motoring or other criminal conviction which has occurred since the granting of this licence.
- 7. The Hackney Carriage Driver's badge shall be provided by, and at all times remain the property of, the Council and upon the Council suspending, revoking or refusing to renew this licence the driver shall, on demand, return the badge to the Chief officer with delegated responsibility for licensing matters, Bedford Borough Council, Borough Hall, Bedford MK42 9AP.

- 8. A medical certificate shall be produced by the driver within seven days of a request by the Council for such certificate and must be provided annually after attaining 65 years of age.
- 9. If the driver has knowingly conveyed in a hackney carriage, the dead body of any person, he shall immediately thereafter notify the fact to the Council's Service Manager (Public Health).
- 10. The licensed vehicle being driven shall have signs affixed and maintained on the nearside and offside front or rear doors as supplied by the Council which will state "Bedford Taxi".
- 11. The driver of the licensed vehicle shall submit that vehicle to a safety check when required, on the demand of an authorised officer of the Council or police officer and shall produce the vehicle at such place for such a check as may be notified by the officer.
- 12. Where indicated, the Licensee is also hereby authorised to drive a licensed vehicle as required in order to conform to a contract from the Council for transport services (e.g. School Transport). This authorisation is separate from the Hackney Carriage Driver Licence concerned and may be removed at any time by the Council as the commissioning party to such a contract. This separate authorisation is also subject to compliance with the requirements of the specific contract for transport services. This authorisation is indicated, if it applies, by the words "incorporating School Transport badge" on the face of the identification badge referred to in Condition 2 above. Where the said identification badge does not include the words "incorporating School Transport badge", the holder of this licence is not authorised to drive a licensed vehicle in pursuance of a contract with the Council for transport services.
- 13. The Council reserves the right to vary, delete or waive any of the foregoing conditions.

EXTRACTS FROM HACKNEY CARRIAGE BYELAWS

1. Every driver of a hackney carriage shall:-

When requested by any person hiring or seeking to hire (a hackney) carriage:

- (a) convey a reasonable quantity of luggage.
- (b) afford reasonable assistance in loading and unloading.
- (c) afford reasonable assistance in removing it to or from the entrance of any house, station, or place at which he may take up or set down such person.
- The driver shall behave in a civil and orderly manner and shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of persons conveyed in or entering or alighting from the vehicle.
- 3. The driver shall not convey or permit to be conveyed in a hackney carriage a greater number of persons than that specified in the licence.

- 4. The driver shall, immediately after the termination of any hiring carefully search the (hackney) carriage for any property which may have been accidentally left there.
- 5. The driver shall, if any property is accidentally left in (the hackney carriage) by any person who may have been conveyed (in it) is found by or handed to him:
 - (i) Carry it within twenty four hours, if not sooner claimed by or on behalf of its owner, to a Police Station within the district, and leave it in the custody of the Officer in Charge (at the Police Station) on his giving a receipt for it.
 - (ii) Be entitled to receive from any person to whom the property shall be re-delivered an amount equal to 5 pence in the pound of its estimated value (or the fare for the distance from the place of finding to the Police Station, whichever be the greater) but not more than five pounds.
- 6. The driver of a hackney carriage who shall have agreed or shall have been hired to be in attendance with the (hackney) carriage at an appointed time shall, unless delayed, or prevented by some sufficient cause, punctually attend with such (hackney) carriage at such appointed time and place.
- 7. The driver of a hackney carriage, when standing or plying for hire, shall not, by calling out or otherwise, importune any person to hire such carriage and shall not make use of the services of any other person for the purpose.
- 8. The driver of a hackney carriage plying for hire shall be entitled to demand and take for the hire of the carriage the rate or fare prescribed by the (Council), the rate or fare being calculated by distance unless the hirer express(es) at the time of the commencement of the hiring his desire to engage by time, when the rate or fare shall be calculated by time on a basis to be agreed between the hirer and the driver at the commencement of the hiring. Provided always that where a hackney carriage furnished with a taximeter shall be hired by distance the driver of a hackney carriage shall not be entitled to demand and take a fare greater than that recorded on the face of a taximeter save for any extra charges authorised (in the current table of fares and charges approved by the Council), which it may not be possible to record on the face of the taximeter.
- 9. Every driver of a hackney carriage provided with a taximeter shall:
 - (i) If the taximeter is fitted with a flag or other device bearing the words "FOR HIRE":-
 - (a) When standing or plying for hire, keep such key, flag or other device locked in the position in which the words are horizontal and legible.
 - (b) As soon as the carriage is hired by distance, and before commencing the journey, bring the machinery of the taximeter into action by moving the flag or other device, so that the words are not conveniently legible.

- (c) Cause the dial of the taximeter to be kept properly illuminated throughout any part of a hiring which is during the hours of darkness as (referred to in Regulation 101 of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 (as amended) made pursuant to the Road Traffic Act 1968) and also at any other time at the request of the hirer.
- 10. Every driver of a hackney carriage for which stands are fixed by a byelaw in that behalf shall, when plying for hire in any street and not actually hired:
 - (a) Proceed with reasonable speed to and station the carriage on one of the stands.
 - (b) If a stand, at the time of his arrival, is occupied by the full number of carriages authorised to occupy it, proceed to another stand.
 - (c) On arriving at a stand not already occupied by the full number of carriages authorised to occupy it, station the carriage immediately behind the carriage or carriages on the stand and so as to face in the same direction.
 - (d) From time to time, when any other carriage immediately in front is driven off or moved forward, cause his carriage to be moved forward so as to fill the place previously occupied by the carriage driven off or moved forward.
- 11. Every person who shall offend against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine (not exceeding level 2 on the Standard Scale), and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine not exceeding (level 2) for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefore.