JOINT DRIVER PRACTICAL DRIVING ASSESSMENT

The driving assessment is carried out by a competent assessor. This usually takes about 1.5 hours and covers all aspects of driving including urban and rural roads using **your own vehicle**.

You will also be asked to conduct a walk round of your vehicle to establish your knowledge of what checks should be conducted prior to the commencement of any journey.

<u>It is stressed that this is not a test but an assessment</u>. It is expected that the candidate will be a reasonably competent driver. The fee for the assessment is incorporated into the application fee.

The failure rate would be:

1 x major fault (this would be something that could/would seriously put either the driver, passengers or other road users at risk of potential harm); or

3 x minor faults – this can be addressed through further training or re-assessment after further practice.

Full feedback will be given to all those assessed.

Operators who convey children or adults in wheelchairs on minibuses can receive further information from the Strategic Fleet Training on the conveying of such passengers.

<u>Please note that the health declaration should be completed and taken with you when taking the practical driving assessment as well as your driving licence.</u>

It is also the Drivers responsibility to update and report any health issues, infringement/points on their licence to the Licensing Team and the owner/organisation of the vehicle to ensure the vehicle is being driven legally.

Successfully passing the assessment is not a guarantee that you will be granted a licence to drive Hackney Carriage/Private Hire vehicles.

A maximum of two assessments can be taken. The decision of the assessor is final.

For further information regarding the assessment please contact: 01270 686285 or e-mail: Driving.Training@cheshireeast.gov.uk