

This guidance note does not purport to be either legal advice or exhaustive.

A limousine vehicle is required to meet, amongst other things, the following definition:

be **evidently** suited by reason of its style and condition for the provision of hire services for ceremonial occasions, or for corporate or other prestige purposes, and be a vehicle of such make and model as the Authority may from time to time specify or such equivalent make and model as the Authority may approve.

(Schedule 5; Taxi Regulation (Small Public Service Vehicle) Regulations 2015, S.I. 33 of 2015)

All vehicles are required to pass an individual vehicle assessment, the Initial Suitability Inspection, prior to being licensed. Previous licensing of the same vehicle does not guarantee a "Pass".

The list below is intended as guidance in relation to popular mass produced passenger vehicles. Other vehicles include historic (vintage) vehicles, classic styled "replicas" and stretched vehicles.

Maximum gross vehicle weight for all vehicles is 3,500kg.

All vehicles require four wheels.

In considering the characteristics of a vehicle the NTA considers prestige and reputation as well as physical vehicle attributes such as size, specifications, quality and age.

Please contact the NTA prior to any purchase in relation to a vehicle not listed as acceptable for consideration. The provision of internal and external photographs may assist in the consideration of the vehicle. The acceptance of a vehicle is at the sole discretion of the NTA.

**Considered Acceptable**

Genuine vintage/historic/classic vehicles

Replica classic cars and funeral cars (hearses do not require a licence)  
Original manufacturer built large people carriers, e.g. VW Shuttle

**Examples of Vehicles**

- Audi A5/S5
- Audi A6
- Audi A7
- Audi A8
- Audi Q7
- BMW 4 Series
- BMW 5 series
- BMW 6 Series
- BMW 7 series
- BMW GT (5 series)
- BMW X4
- BMW X5
- BMW X6
- Chrysler 300C
- Chrysler Crossfire
- Chrysler Grand Voyager
- Chrysler Jeep Commander
- Citroen C6
- Citroen Dispatch second generation (factory built only)
- Fiat Scudo second generation (factory built only)
- Ford Tourneo (factory built only), not Tourneo Connect/Grand Connect
- Hyundai Montana (also called i800)
- Jaguar XF
- Jaguar XJ Series
- Land Rover Discovery 2005 on
- Land Rover Discovery Sport
- Lexus GS450H
- Lexus GS300/430
- Lexus LS430
- Lexus LS460
- Lexus LS600H
- Lexus RX350
- Lexus RX400H
- Lexus RX450H
- Mercedes Benz CLS
- Mercedes Benz E Class
- Mercedes Benz GL (not GLA, not GLC)
- Mercedes Benz ML
- Mercedes Benz R Class
- Mercedes Benz S Class
- Mercedes Benz Traveliner/Viano
- Mitsubishi Pajero 2007 onwards
- Peugeot 607
- Peugeot Expert TeePee second generation (factory built only)
- Peugeot Expert Traveller 2017 onward in Active, Allure or Business specification (medium and long version only), not Combi.
- Porsche Cayenne
- Porsche Panamera
- Range Rover Evoque
- Range Rover inc. Sport
- Renault Grand Espace
- Skoda Superb
- Subaru Legacy Saloon
- Tesla Model S (all variants)
- Tesla Model X SUV (all variants)
- Toyota Alphard
- Toyota ProAce Verso 2017 model onwards in Family or VIP specification only (medium and long version only)
- Volkswagen Caravelle
- Volkswagen Phaeton
- Volkswagen Shuttle
- Volkswagen Toureg
- Volvo S80
- Volvo S90 including T8 variant
- Volvo XC90 including T8 variant

**Considered Unacceptable**

Standard saloon cars generally accepted as standard taxis and hackneys

Small hatchbacks, e.g. Toyota Corolla, Ford Focus, Opel Astra, Lexus CT200H  
Estate cars  
Any vehicles converted from light goods vehicles (vans) e.g. Ford Transit