

Medical Examination Report



▪ Notes for applicants for a private hire / hackney carriage driver licence

All applications for a hackney carriage and / or private hire drivers licence **must** be accompanied by a satisfactory medical report to the DVLA Group 2 medical standards. This is regardless of the age of the applicant

A medical will be required every 3 years on application, until the age of 65. From 65 a medical will be required annually.

This medical report should **usually** be completed by the applicant's own general practitioner (GP). However, the applicant may choose to consult an alternative GP or Doctor, providing that they can refer to your medical records or a summary of your medical records when carrying out the examination, and sign a declaration confirming this.

Before booking an appointment with a GP or alternative medical provider, you are advised to read the useful information and notes provided by the DVLA at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/assessing-fitness-to-drive-a-guide-for-medical-professionals>

If you have any of the conditions listed in this document, you will **not** meet the Council's medical standard and your application may be refused. Each application will however be considered on its own merits.

If after reading these notes, you have any doubts about your ability to meet the medical standards, please consult your doctor before you arrange for this medical report to be completed. The doctor may charge you for completing it, and in the event of your application being refused, the fee you pay the doctor is not refundable.

Please note: Your medical must be no more than 4 months old when your licence is granted.

▪ Notes for the doctor completing this medical examination report

Prior to completing this report you may find it helpful to consult the DVLA's useful information and notes produced for Medical Practitioners at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/assessing-fitness-to-drive-a-guide-for-medical-professionals>

You are advised to obtain the applicant's medical history when completing this report, however if you do not hold the medical records, and the report misses important clinical details about the applicant's ability to drive safely, details should be recorded in the 'further details' at the back of the form.

If the applicant is not a patient under your care then please ensure that you confirm their identity before examination. This may be done, for example, by way of photographic identification.

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Medical examination report Vision assessment

To be filled in by an optician, optometrist or doctor



1. Please confirm (✓) the scale you are using to express the applicant's visual acuities.

Snellen Snellen expressed as a decimal LogMAR

2. The visual acuity standard for Group 2 driving is at least 6/7.5 in one eye and at least 6/60 in the other.

(a) Please provide uncorrected visual acuities for each eye. Snellen readings with a plus (+) or minus (-) are not acceptable. If 6/7.5, 6/60 standard is not met, the applicant may need further assessment by an optician.

R L Yes No

(b) Are corrective lenses worn for driving? Yes No

If No, go to Q3.

If Yes, please provide the visual acuities using the correction worn for driving. Snellen readings with a plus (+) or minus (-) are not acceptable. If 6/7.5, 6/60 standard is not met, the applicant may need further assessment by an optician.

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(c) What kind of corrective lenses are worn to meet this standard?

Glasses Contact lenses Both together

(d) If glasses are worn for driving, is the corrective power greater than plus (+)8 dioptres in any meridian of either lens? Yes No

(e) If correction is worn for driving, is it well tolerated? Yes No

If No, please give full details in Q7.

3. Is there a history of any medical condition that may affect the applicant's binocular field of vision (central and/or peripheral)? Yes No

If Yes, please give full details below.

If formal visual field testing is considered necessary, DVLA will commission this at a later date.

4. Is there diplopia? Yes No

(a) Is it controlled? Yes No

Please indicate below and give full details in Q7.

Patch or glasses with frosted glass Patch or glasses with/without prism Other (if other please provide details)

5. Does the applicant report symptoms of any of the following that impairs their ability to drive? Yes No

Please indicate below and give full details in Q7 below.

(a) Intolerance to glare (causing incapacity rather than discomfort) and/or

(b) Impaired contrast sensitivity and/or

(c) Impaired twilight vision

6. Does the applicant have any other ophthalmic condition affecting their visual acuity or visual field? Yes No

If Yes, please give full details in Q7 below.

7. Details or additional information

Name of examining doctor, optician or optometrist undertaking vision assessment

I confirm that this report was filled in by me at examination and the applicant's history has been taken into consideration.

Signature of examining doctor, optician or optometrist

Date of signature

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Please provide your GOC or GMC number

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Doctor, optometrist or optician's stamp

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1 Neurological disorders

Please tick ✓ the appropriate boxes
Is there a history or evidence of any neurological disorder (see conditions in questions 1 to 11 below)? Yes No

If No, go to section 2, Diabetes mellitus
If Yes, please answer all questions below and enclose relevant hospital notes.

- 1. Has the applicant had any form of seizure? Yes No

 - (a) Has the applicant had more than one seizure episode?
 - (b) If Yes, please give date of first and last episode.
First episode
Last episode
 - (c) Is the applicant currently on anti-epileptic medication?
If Yes, please fill in the medication section 8, page 6.
 - (d) If no longer treated, when did treatment end?
 - (e) Has the applicant had a brain scan?
If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.
 - (f) Has the applicant had an EEG?
If you have answered Yes to any of above, you must supply medical reports.
- 2. Has the applicant experienced dissociative/'non-epileptic' seizures? Yes No

 - (a) If Yes, please give date of most recent episode.
 - (b) If Yes, have any of these episode(s) occurred or are they considered likely to occur whilst driving?
- 3. Stroke or TIA? Yes No
If Yes, give date.
 - (a) Has there been a **full** recovery?
 - (b) Has a carotid ultrasound been undertaken?
 - (c) If Yes, was the carotid artery stenosis >50% in either carotid artery?
 - (d) Is there a history of multiple strokes/TIAs?
- 4. Sudden and disabling dizziness or vertigo within the last year with a liability to recur?
- 5. Subarachnoid haemorrhage (non-traumatic)?
- 6. Significant head injury within the last 10 years?
- 7. Any form of brain tumour?
- 8. Other intracranial pathology?
- 9. Chronic neurological disorder(s)?
- 10. Parkinson's disease?
- 11. Blackout, impaired consciousness or loss of awareness within the last 10 years?

2 Diabetes mellitus

Does the applicant have diabetes mellitus? Yes No

If No, go to section 3, Cardiac
If Yes, please answer all questions below.

- 1. Is the diabetes managed by: Yes No
 - (a) Insulin?
If No, go to 1c
 - If Yes, please give date started on insulin.
 - (b) Are there at least 6 continuous weeks of blood glucose readings stored on a memory meter or meters?
If No, please give details in section 9, page 7.
 - (c) Other injectable treatments?
 - (d) A Sulphonylurea or a Glinide?
 - (e) Oral hypoglycaemic agents and diet?
If Yes to any of (a) to (e), please fill in the medication section 8, page 6.
 - (f) Diet only?
- 2. Yes No
 - (a) Does the applicant test blood glucose at least twice every day?
 - (b) Does the applicant test at times relevant to driving (no more than 2 hours before the start of the first journey and every 2 hours while driving)?
 - (c) Does the applicant keep fast-acting carbohydrate within easy reach when driving?
 - (d) Does the applicant have a clear understanding of diabetes and the necessary precautions for safe driving?
- 3. Yes No
 - (a) Has the applicant ever had a hypoglycaemic episode?
 - (b) If Yes, is there full awareness of hypoglycaemia?
- 4. Is there a history of hypoglycaemia in the last 12 months requiring the assistance of another person? Yes No

If Yes, please give details and dates below.
- 5. Is there evidence of: Yes No
 - (a) Loss of visual field?
 - (b) Severe peripheral neuropathy, sufficient to impair limb function for safe driving?

If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.
- 6. Has there been laser treatment or intra-vitreous treatment for retinopathy? Yes No

If Yes, please give most recent date of treatment.

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e Cardiac other

Is there a history or evidence of heart failure? Yes No

If No, go to section 3f, Cardiac channelopathies

If Yes, please answer all questions and enclose relevant hospital notes.

1. Please provide the NYHA class, if known.

2. Established cardiomyopathy? Yes No
If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.

3. Has a left ventricular assist device (LVAD) or other cardiac assist device been implanted? Yes No

4. A heart or heart/lung transplant? Yes No

5. Untreated atrial myxoma? Yes No

f Cardiac channelopathies

Is there a history or evidence of the following conditions? Yes No

If No, go to section 3g, Blood pressure

1. Brugada syndrome? Yes No

2. Long QT syndrome? Yes No
If Yes to either, please give details in section 9, page 7 and enclose relevant hospital notes.

g Blood pressure

All questions must be answered.

If resting blood pressure is 180 mm/Hg systolic or more and/or 100mm/Hg diastolic or more, please take a further 2 readings at least 5 minutes apart and record the best of the 3 readings in the box provided.

1. Please record today's best resting blood pressure reading. /

2. Is the applicant on anti-hypertensive treatment? Yes No
If Yes, please provide three previous readings with dates if available.

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3. Is there a history of malignant hypertension? Yes No
If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7 (including date of diagnosis and any treatment etc).

h Cardiac investigations

Have any cardiac investigations been undertaken or planned? Yes No

If No, go to section 4, Psychiatric illness

If Yes, please answer questions 1 to 7.

1. Is there a history of the following: Yes No
(a) left bundle branch block (LBBB)?
(b) right bundle branch block (RBBB)?

If yes to (a) or (b), please provide relevant report(s) or comment in section 9, page 7.

Note: If Yes to questions 2 to 6, please give dates in the boxes provided, give details in section 9, page 7 and provide relevant reports.

2. Has an exercise ECG been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No

3. Has an echocardiogram been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No

(a) If undertaken, is or was the left ejection fraction greater than or equal to 40%?

4. Has a coronary angiogram been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No

5. Has a 24 hour ECG tape been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No

6. Has a loop recorder been implanted (or planned)? Yes No

7. Has a myocardial perfusion scan, stress echo study or cardiac MRI been undertaken (or planned)? Yes No

4 Psychiatric illness

Is there a history or evidence of psychiatric illness within the last 3 years? Yes No

If No, go to section 5, Substance misuse

If Yes, please answer all questions below.

1. Significant psychiatric disorder within the past 6 months? If Yes, please confirm condition. Yes No

2. Psychosis or hypomania/mania within the past 12 months, including psychotic depression? Yes No

3. (a) Dementia or cognitive impairment? Yes No
(b) Are there concerns which have resulted in ongoing investigations for such possible diagnoses?

5 Substance misuse

Is there a history of drug/alcohol misuse or dependence? Yes No

If No, go to section 6, Sleep disorders

If Yes, please answer all questions below.

1. Is there a history of alcohol dependence in the past 6 years? Yes No

(a) Is it controlled?

(b) Has the applicant undergone an alcohol detoxification programme?

If Yes, give date started:

2. Persistent alcohol misuse in the past 3 years? Yes No

(a) Is it controlled?

3. Use of illegal drugs or other substances, or misuse of prescription medication in the last 6 years? Yes No

(a) If Yes, the type of substance misused?

(b) Is it controlled?

(c) Has the applicant undertaken an opiate treatment programme?

If Yes, give date started

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6 Sleep disorders

1. Is there a history or evidence of Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Syndrome or any other medical condition causing excessive sleepiness? Yes No

If No, go to section 7, Other medical conditions.

If Yes, please give diagnosis and answer all questions below.

- a) If Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Syndrome, please indicate the severity:

Mild (AHI <15)

Moderate (AHI 15 - 29)

Severe (AHI >29)

Not known

If another measurement other than AHI is used, it must be one that is recognised in clinical practice as equivalent to AHI. DVLA does not prescribe different measurements as this is a clinical issue. Please give details in section 9 page 7, Further details.

- b) Please answer questions (i) to (vi) for **all** sleep conditions.

(i) Date of diagnosis: Yes No

(ii) Is it controlled successfully? Yes No

(iii) If Yes, please state treatment.

(iv) Is applicant compliant with treatment? Yes No

(v) Please state period of control:

years months

(vi) Date of last review.

7 Other medical conditions

1. Is there a history or evidence of narcolepsy? Yes No

2. Is there currently any functional impairment that is likely to affect control of the vehicle? Yes No

3. Is there a history of bronchogenic carcinoma or other malignant tumour with a significant liability to metastasise cerebrally? Yes No

4. Is there any illness that may cause significant fatigue or cachexia that affects safe driving? Yes No

5. Is the applicant profoundly deaf? Yes No

If Yes, is the applicant able to communicate in the event of an emergency by speech or by using a device, e.g. a textphone? Yes No

6. Does the applicant have a history of liver disease of any origin? Yes No

If Yes, is this the result of alcohol misuse? Yes No

If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.

7. Is there a history of renal failure? Yes No

If Yes, please give details in section 9, page 7.

8. Does the applicant have severe symptomatic respiratory disease causing chronic hypoxia? Yes No

9. Does any medication currently taken cause the applicant side effects that could affect safe driving? Yes No

If Yes, please fill in section 8, Medication and give symptoms in section 9, page 7.

10. Does the applicant have any other medical condition that could affect safe driving? Yes No

If Yes, please provide details in section 9, page 7.

8 Medication

Please provide details of all current medication including eye drops (continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

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The applicant must fill in this page

Applicant's declaration

You **must** fill in this section and **must not** alter it in any way.

Please read the following important information carefully then sign to confirm the statements below.

Important information about fitness to drive

As part of the investigation into your fitness to drive, we (DVLA) may require you to have a medical examination and/or some form of practical assessment. If we do, the individuals involved in these will need your background medical details to carry out an appropriate assessment.

These individuals may include doctors, orthoptists at eye clinics or paramedical staff at a driving assessment centre. We will only share information relevant to the medical assessment of your fitness to drive.

Also, where the circumstances of your case appear to suggest the need for this, the relevant medical information may need to be considered by one or more of the members of the Secretary of State's Honorary Medical Advisory Panels. The membership of these Panels conforms strictly to the principle of confidentiality.

For information about how we process your data, your rights and who to contact, see our privacy notice at www.gov.uk/dvla/privacy-policy

Declaration

I authorise my doctor, specialist or appropriate healthcare professional to disclose medical information or reports about my health condition to the DVLA, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, that is relevant to my fitness to drive.

I understand that the doctor that I authorise, may pass this authorisation to another registered healthcare professional, who will be able to provide information about my medical condition that is relevant to my fitness to drive.

I understand that the Secretary of State may disclose such relevant medical information as is necessary to the investigation of my fitness to drive to doctors and other healthcare professionals such as orthoptists, paramedical staff and the Secretary of State for Transport's Honorary Medical Advisory panel members.

I declare that I have checked the details I have given on the enclosed questionnaire and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief they are correct.

I understand that it is a criminal offence if I make a false declaration to obtain a driving licence and can lead to prosecution.

Name

Signature

Date

I authorise the Secretary of State to correspond with medical professionals via electronic channels (fax and/or email)

Yes No

Checklist

- Have you signed and dated the declaration? **Yes**
- Have you checked that the optician, optometrist or doctor has filled in all parts of the report and all relevant hospital notes have been enclosed? **Yes**

Important

This report is valid for 4 months from the date the doctor, optician or optometrist signs it.

Please return it together with your application form.

To be filled in by doctor carrying out the examination.

For Medical Practitioners:- An at a glance guide to the current medical standards of fitness to drive is available at:- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/assessing-fitness-to-drive-a-guide-for-medical-professionals>

I certify that the applicant named in this medical ✓:-

- **Meets the DVLA group 2** medical standards
- **DOES NOT meet the DVLA group 2** medical standards

****Please ensure you, the GP / approved medical provider, confirm if you have referred to the medical records or a summary of the medical records of the applicant, when carrying out the examination. Failure to do so will result in the form being rejected.****

I have referred to the **applicant's medical records** in my completion of this report.

OR

I have referred to **a summary of the applicant's medical records** in my completion of this report.

GMC registration number

Signed Date of Examination

Surgery Stamp or
GMC Registration Number

Applicants Declaration

I authorise my doctor(s) to release information / reports to the Council's Licensing Section about my medical condition.

I declare that I have checked the details I have given in this report and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are correct. I understand that it is a criminal offence if I make a false declaration and can lead to prosecution.

Signed

Date

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