

Test times available

Tuesdays 10.30am for Private Hire Driver
Wednesday 2:30pm for Hackney Carriage Drivers

**To book on to an available session please call 01772
421491 and register your details.**

Private Hire Applicants will be given 30 minutes to complete the test. In order to pass the test you **MUST** answer 15 out of 20 questions correctly.

In the event of the applicant's unsuccessful completion of the test, a retest can be booked after 24 hrs has elapsed from completion of this test.

All applicants will be eligible for 3 attempts to pass this knowledge test. The first test cost is £25 with subsequent tests costing £25 each. If additional tests are required a minimum waiting period of **4 weeks is mandatory**.

Hackney Carriage Applicants will be given 30 minutes for Part 1 and a further 15 minutes for Part 2. In order to pass the test you **MUST** answer 15 out of 20 questions correctly on Part 1 and 5 out of 10 on Part 2.

In the event of the applicant's unsuccessful completion of the test, a retest can be booked after 24 hrs has elapsed from completion of this test.

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Exam Conditions

- The test will be administered strictly to time, each candidate will be allowed no more than 30 minutes.
- No reading material should be available during the exam this includes using a mobile phone.
- Any evidence of misconduct during the exam which could include disruptive behaviour, seeking to read other candidates answers or using or attempting to use a mobile phone will result in your exam paper being excluded.
- Candidates are permitted to leave at any time but must respect the needs of other candidates and keep disruption to a minimum. Minimum of 3 candidates, maximum 6 candidates per session, but candidate to be guaranteed a test within 3 weeks, even if minimum number of candidates not reached.

What to expect... make sure you revise the below topics!!

- Private Hire/Hackney Carriage Vehicle Conditions and Legislation (*which can be found in our Taxi Licensing Policy*).
- The Highway Code
- Places of interest within the Borough ie Pubs, Schools, Churches and Restaurants etc.
- Routes throughout the Borough
- South Ribble Borough Council’s Boundaries
- Have a basic understanding of the English language
- Numeracy
- Tariff Fare Card (*For Hackney Carriage Applicants*).

How will the test look?

Below are examples of how the questions will look on the test...

1. According to the Highway Code can you identify this road traffic signal?



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2. If a journey cost **£4.80** and the customer gives you **£10**, how much change should be given?

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3. Please describe the shortest route between **Leyland Pentecostal Church** to **Leyland Golf Club**.

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4. On what road is **Longton Brickcroft Nature Reserve**?

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5. According to our Private Hire & Hackney Carriage Vehicle conditions, within how many hours of an accident are you expected to report any vehicle damage to the Licensing Authority?

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TOP TIP!
Familiarise
yourself with local
Hot Spots!

TOP TIP!
 If you're not sure on the road names, try naming local landmarks nearby that may help is when marking your test... and turn a wrong answer into a right one!

Part 2 (For Hackney Carriage applicants only).

1. Can you tell me if the **Charnock Farm Restaurant & Pub** is within South Ribble Borough Council's Boundary? *Please circle the correct answer below.*

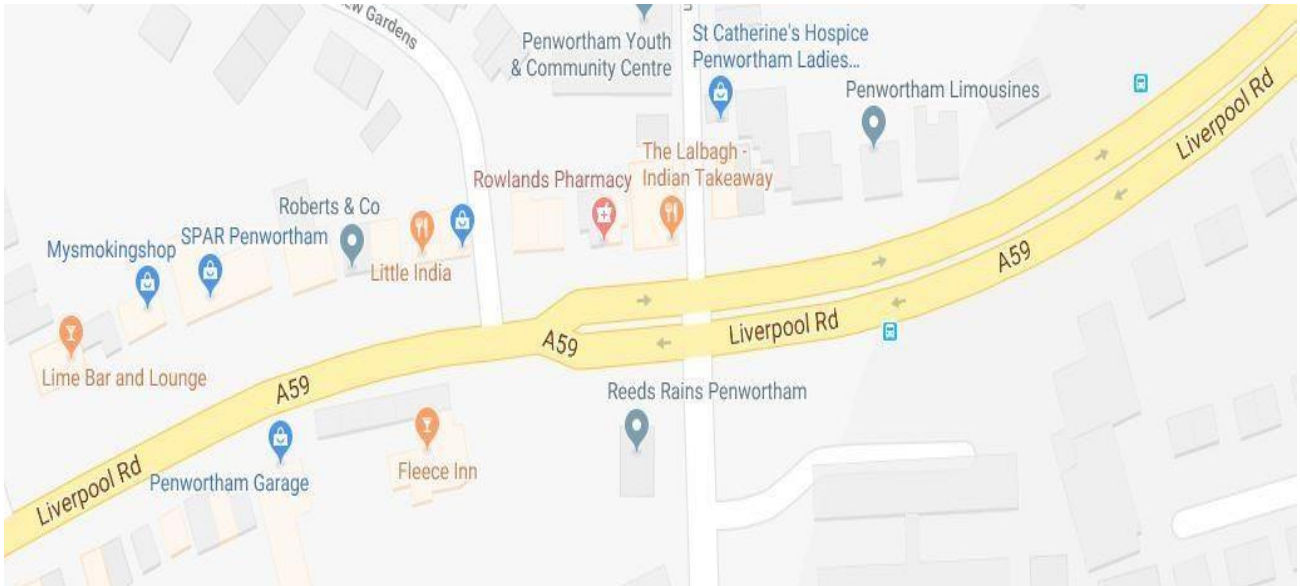
Within South Ribble	Outside of South Ribble
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2. How much can be charged for each dog carried (expect Guide, Hearing or other assistance Dogs)? *Please circle the correct answer below.*

15p	20p
25p	35p

3. When can you leave a Hackney Carriage unattended on a rank?

4. Below is a map of an area within South Ribble Borough Council's Boundaries. Can you identify the Hackney Carriage Ranks, if any? Please circle...



TOP TIP!
 Take time to read through the questions clearly...
 Don't rush and confuse Leyland Train Station with Leyland Fire Station

After the test

If you **PASS** – Well done, you are now able to start your application... You can view our full guidance notes on how to apply by visiting <https://www.southribble.gov.uk/content/taxis> or should you have any questions please call 01772 421491.

If you **FAIL** – Bad Luck, you will need to book to re-sit your test. Please call 01772 421 491 to arrange an appointment. You will be expected to pay £25 to re-sit your Knowledge Test.