

## **Fitting of Protective Screens**

### **Installing temporary protective screens in taxis and private hire vehicles**

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We are working with taxi and private hire car drivers and operators to enable them to work and transport passengers as safely as possible throughout the coronavirus outbreak.

**This is a new development and this guidance will have to be reviewed with any guidance issued by the Scottish Government to ensure compliance and compatibility with any that guidance.**

### **Installing your temporary protective screen – what you must do**

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While you are allowed to install a temporary protective screen in your car (in-between the rear passenger compartment and the driver) you must ensure that the protective screen must meet all the points listed within the checklist. If you cannot meet all the requirements within the checklist then you cannot fit a screen to your vehicle.

## CHECKLIST

## Tick when completed

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tell us that you are planning to fit a protective screen by emailing <a href="mailto:civillicensing@pkc.gov.uk">civillicensing@pkc.gov.uk</a> and include the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ confirmation from your insurance company that your insurance is still valid with this screen</li><li>○ confirmation that the protective screen has been professionally fitted</li><li>○ your agreement to remove the protective screen in less than 21 days after the current social distancing restrictions relating to COVID-19 have been removed and inform the Licensing Department in writing/email that you have removed the screen.</li></ul></li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The film/sheet used must be clear and transparent and can only be fitted behind both front seats, creating a partition between the front and back area of the vehicle.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• not be permanently installed in the vehicle.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• not have a solid frame to the screen.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• must be secured with fittings which allow for easy removal</li></ul>	

once no longer required e.g. Velcro, adhesive or other ties.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easy removal is required both for emergencies and for when no longer required.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be fitted in such a way so as not to affect the structural integrity of the vehicle or interfere with any manufacturer fitted safety equipment e.g. air bags.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• not wrap around the driver seat and create a partition between the two front seats, in addition to the rear cabin area.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A small payment hatch to be included (trimmed in rubber)</li> </ul>	

**The completed checklist must be emailed to [civiclicensing@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:civiclicensing@pkc.gov.uk) or alternatively printed off and posted to Licensing Department, Pullar House, 35 Kinnoull Street, Perth, PH1 5GD.**