

Freight Transport Association



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Top 10 policy issues in transport
How to keep your operators licence
Managing compliance costs

Top 10 policy issues



- **Removal of the counterpart**
- **Next generation tachograph**
- **London Safer Lorry Scheme**
- **Changes at Dartford**
- **Illegal migrants**
- **Future of road investments**
- **Platooning feasibility study**
- **On-going longer semi trailer trials**
- **On-going DfT review of mirrors and sideguards**
- **Low emissions**



Removal of paper counterpart



- **View my Licence and Share my Licence systems in place**
- **Senior Traffic Commissioner advice on licence checks**
- **ADD (Access Driver Data) system now online**



London Safer Lorry Scheme



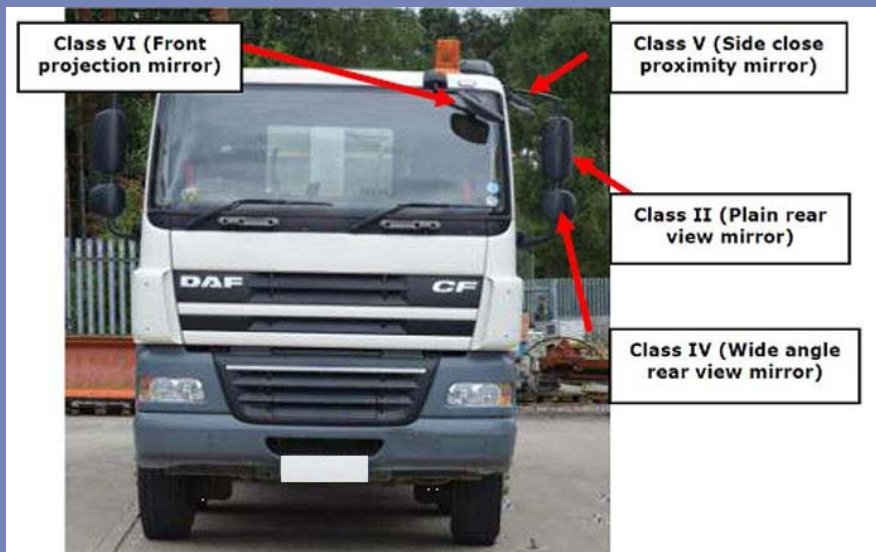
- **The Mayor of London and Transport for London commitment to making London roads safer**
- **Scheme ensure lorries entering London are fitted with basic safety equipment**
- **Runs 24/7 across London coming into force 1 September 2015**
- **Within LEZ zone**



London Safer Lorry Scheme



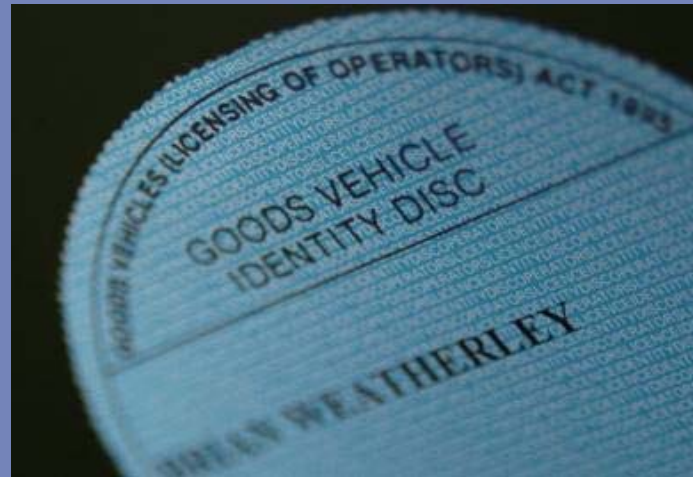
- Under the scheme vehicles over 3.5t gwv;
 - Will be fitted with Class V and Class VI mirrors
 - And sideguards



Keeping your O Licence



Driver walk around checks
Undertakings
Most Serious Infringements (MSI)
The penalties



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Driver walk around checks

Vehicles used on the road **MUST** be in a roadworthy condition

All operators must have system and procedures in place to ensure compliance

Operator Licence undertakings were signed to agree to this



Keeping your O Licence



The Operator Undertakings

The licensed operator, UNDERTAKES to make proper arrangements so that:

The laws relating to the driving and operation of vehicles used under this licence are observed

The rules on drivers' hours and tachographs are observed, proper records are kept and that these are made available on request.

Vehicles and trailers are not overloaded;

Vehicles operate within speed limits;

Vehicles and trailers, including hired vehicles and trailers, are kept in a fit and serviceable condition;

Drivers report promptly any defects or symptoms of defects that could prevent the safe operation of vehicles and/or trailers, and that any defects are recorded in writing;

Records are kept (for 15 months) of all driver reports which record defects, all safety inspections, routine maintenance and repairs to vehicles, and that these are made available on request;

In respect of each operating centre specified, that the number of vehicles and the number of trailers kept there will not exceed the maximum numbers authorised at each operating centre (which will be noted on the licence);

An unauthorised operating centre is not used in any traffic area;

Furthermore, I will notify the Traffic Commissioner of any convictions against myself, or the company, business partner(s), the company directors, nominated transport manager/s named in this application, or employees or agents of the applicant for this licence and, if the licence is issued, convictions against the licence holder or employees or agents of the licence holder;

I will, ensure that the Traffic Commissioner is notified within 28 days of any other changes, for example a change to the proposed maintenance arrangements; a change in the financial status of the licence holder [eg if placed in liquidation or receivership], or a change to Limited Company status or partnership, that might affect the licence, if issued.

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Most Serious Infringements (MSI)

Seven MSI in all known as the seven deadly sins

Five act as triggers for OCRS 'straight to red' these are;

- Exceeding weekly/fortnightly drivers hours by >25%
- No tachograph or speed limiter, tampering or false records
- Transporting dangerous goods without being identified as dangerous or appropriate containment
- Driving with someone else's driver card or card obtained with false documents or declarations
- Exceeding daily driving period by >50% without break

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Operator licensing and MSIs

All seven MSI may affect the operator licence

Five as per OCRS plus

- Driving without valid roadworthiness certificate or serious defect
- Driving without valid driving licence

Could lead to loss of repute

BANDING	ROADWORTHINESS BASELINE SCORE	TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT BASELINE SCORE
RED	> 25	> 30
AMBER	11 – 25	6 – 30
GREEN	≤ 10	≤ 5
GREY	NO SCORE	NO SCORE

Keeping your O Licence



Penalties

Graduated fixed penalties

VOSA issued prohibitions

Driver conduct hearings

Public Inquiries

- **Curtailment**
- **Suspension**
- **Revocation**



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Always keep the Traffic Commissioner informed of any changes, offences, infringements etc

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Cost of compliance



Can you afford not to be compliant?

Court cases/HSE

Fines

Publicity

Public inquiries

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Thank you



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