

Buckinghamshire Council - Aylesbury, Chiltern, South Bucks, Wycombe – Taxi Driver Assessments – Additional taxi assessment information.

Due to the higher standard expected by The Buckinghamshire Councils on this assessment, Green Penny advise candidates to research and practice the criteria below to increase their ability to pass the assessment.

Buckinghamshire Council candidates must take their assessment within the Buckinghamshire area. If you are a licensed driver or are applying to be a licensed driver with Buckinghamshire Council, please ensure you have booked your assessment in either Aylesbury, Chesham, High Wycombe or Milton Keynes.

In addition to the standard assessment requirements outlined on the Green Penny website, which can be found on the following link:

<http://www.greenpenny.co.uk/taxi-assessment-booking-form>

Buckinghamshire councils' taxi candidates will also be required to carry out the following criteria:

- 2 manoeuvres e.g. parallel park, Turn in the road
- A controlled stop

Navigation

- During the assessment drive, the candidate will be asked to drive to a destination determined by the assessor. (Candidates are permitted to use navigational aid such as maps or a SAT NAV device, which must be prepared before moving off).

Please note:

- *If a candidate fails to reach a destination in a reasonable time or fails to take the shortest route on two or more occasions during the journey, this will be marked as a serious fault and the candidate will fail.*
- *It's illegal to use a hand-held phone or similar device while driving, the rules are the same if you're stopped at traffic lights or queuing in traffic.*

Questions

- The candidate will be asked a total of 20 questions after the assessment drive. The candidate will have a total of 10 minutes to answer the following groups of questions:

Category	Number of Questions	
	Private Hire	Hackney Carriage
Highway Code	3	2
Road Signs	3	2
Licensing Law	5	5
Vehicle Requirements	3	3
Driver Requirements	3	3
Driver Conduct	3	3
Local Knowledge	0	2
Total	20	20

Please note:

The candidate must answer a minimum of 15 questions correctly, to pass this part of the assessment.

The candidate will pass the assessment if they meet BOTH of the following criteria:

- make 9 or fewer driving faults during the driving part of the assessment (unless they accumulate a number of faults in one section). If any serious or dangerous faults are recorded this will result in a fail.

And

- They answer a minimum of 15 questions correctly.