

05 June 2020



LICENSED VEHICLE AGE POLICY - COVID-19

Decision makers for Eastleigh Borough Council have agreed to a temporary alteration to the age of licensed vehicle condition during the COVID-19 crisis.

Background - Age Policy

Since 1 October 2017 any vehicle that reaches 12 years old will not be granted a further licence at renewal and any application would not be accepted by the licensing team. The exceptions to this are wheelchair accessible vehicles where once the vehicle reaches 15 years old, the vehicle will not be granted a further licence at renewal and any application would not be accepted by the licensing team. Any licensed vehicle that reaches 6 years old is required to pass a further mechanical inspection 6 months into each granted licence. This inspection can be carried out by any VOSA testing station within the Eastleigh Borough.

Temporary alteration to vehicle age condition.

From 5 June 2020 any vehicle that is due to have a licence renewed prior to 31 December 2020 and has reached its upper age limit a further licence for 1 year shall be granted. Any vehicle that may be granted an extension must undergo and pass a full mechanical and visual inspection carried out by the Hedge End Depot Workshop before consideration is given to granting a further 1 year licence. In addition to this, 6 months into the licence a further mechanical inspection must be carried out by the Hedge End Depot workshop.

Any application for renewal received from 01 January 2021 will be subject to the usual 12 years or 15 years for wheelchair accessible vehicles age limit.

Please contact the licensing team on 023 8068 8109 should you have any further questions.

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