

<b>REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSING PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS IN KENT</b>		
<b>Authority</b>	<b>Restricted Private Hire licence issued</b>	<b>Street Knowledge Test requirements for licensing a Private Hire Driver</b>
Ashford	No	Verbal test lasting 45 mins (hackney carriage is 2 hours) Includes knowledge test of area
Canterbury	No	Same SKT for hackney carriage and private hire drivers Questions on: Routes Landmarks Policy Highway Code Road Signs Safeguarding
Dartford	No	50 minute test Questions on: Numeracy Routes Locations English proficiency Safeguarding Disability awareness Driving test also required
Dover	No	Same test for hackney carriage and private hire drivers. Questions on: Routes Locations English proficiency Safeguarding Driving test
Folkestone & Hythe	No	Different test for hackney carriage and private hire drivers. Private Hire SKT - Questions on: Places Law and Conditions Highway Code
Gravesham	Yes Can only be used for KCC school run contracts and must use a private hire vehicle that is issued with a	25 minute test for Restricted Private Hire Driver doing school runs only - Questions on: Highway Code Law

	<p>Restricted Private Hire Plate to be used for school contracts only and not normal private hire work.</p> <p>Nearly all drivers in Gravesham are owner/operators</p>	<p>Policy</p> <p>Safeguarding</p> <p>Driving test</p>
Maidstone	No	<p>Same test for hackney carriage and private hire drivers. Lower pass mark for private hire.</p> <p>Questions on:</p> <p>Routes</p> <p>Locations</p> <p>Policy</p> <p>Highway Code</p> <p>Safeguarding</p> <p>Customer Care</p> <p>Driving Test</p>
Medway	<p>Yes</p> <p>Can only be used for KCC school run contracts and executive car hire work only</p>	<p>25 minute test for Restricted Private Hire Driver and Executive Car Hire work -</p> <p>Questions on:</p> <p>Highway Code</p> <p>Law</p> <p>Policy</p> <p>Safeguarding</p> <p>Driving test</p>
Sevenoaks	No	<p>Same test for hackney carriage and private hire applicants -</p> <p>Questions on:</p> <p>Routes</p> <p>Locations</p> <p>Policy</p> <p>Highway Code</p> <p>Road signs</p> <p>Generic policy</p> <p>Numeracy</p> <p>Safeguarding</p> <p>Driving Test</p>
Swale	No	<p>Same test for hackney carriage and private hire applicants. Lower pass mark for private hire drivers</p> <p>Questions on:</p> <p>Routes</p> <p>Locations</p> <p>Policy</p> <p>Highway Code</p> <p>Road signs</p> <p>Generic policy</p>

		Numeracy Safeguarding
Thanet	No	Same test for hackney carriage and private hire applicants Questions on: Routes Locations Highway Code
Tonbridge & Malling	No	Same test for hackney carriage and private hire drivers. Lower pass mark for private hire. Questions on: Routes Places of Interest Local amenities, sports and leisure facilities Locating towns and villages on a map Maths and English Current policy and legislation
Tunbridge Wells	No	Same test for hackney carriage and private hire drivers. Lower pass mark for private hire. Questions on: Routes Locations Policy Highway Code Numeracy Customer Care Safeguarding Driving Test required

<b>REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSING RESTRICTED PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY</b>		
Rochford	Yes. Can only be used for school run contract. Private Hire vehicle to be used which is not fitted with a taximeter	Knowledge test on Council's licence conditions and Highway Code
Southend	Yes. For airport runs, theatre nights and general out of town bookings at an agreed fare in advance of the journey and at the time of booking	Does not require a Street Knowledge Test

Bracknell Forest	Yes. For school run contracts only. Called a Home to School transport driver licence.	Knowledge test on: Legislation Council conditions and byelaws Highway Code
East Hants Council	Yes. For school run contracts only	Knowledge test on: Routes Literacy and numeracy Highways Code Role of a driver