



## **Policy for Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver Licence Holders and Applicants with Diabetes treated with insulin or tablets**

Warwick District Council has determined that the following criteria will have to be met by all private hire and hackney carriage driver current licence holders and all applicants with insulin or tablet treated diabetes.

Licence holders and applicants are reminded that the requirements of the declaration signed on the issue of licence remain an obligation. Medical declaration forms are available upon request for either insulin or tablet. These may be obtained by post to the offices of Warwick District Council, on the Council's website or by email from [licensing@warwickdc.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@warwickdc.gov.uk).

All current applications involving individuals with insulin/tablet treated diabetes will be dealt with under the following requirements.

### **Applicant being treated with insulin**

#### **It is a requirement that the applicant:**

- has undergone treatment with insulin for at least four weeks;
- has full awareness of hypoglycaemia;
- has not, during the immediately preceding year, had an episode of severe hypoglycaemia;
- regularly monitors his or her condition and, in particular, undertakes blood glucose monitoring at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving, using a device that incorporates an electronic memory function to measure and record blood glucose levels, and undertakes to continue so to monitor.

#### **It is a requirement that the applicant has attended an examination by a hospital consultant specialising in the treatment of diabetes, who has provided a report confirming that:**

- the applicant has a history of responsible diabetic control;
- currently has a minimal risk of impairment due to hypoglycaemia;
- has undergone treatment with insulin for at least four weeks;
- has full awareness of hypoglycaemia;
- has not, during the immediately preceding year, had an episode of severe hypoglycaemia;
- regularly monitors his or her condition and, in particular, undertakes blood glucose monitoring at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving, using a device that incorporates an electronic memory function to measure and record blood glucose levels, and undertakes to continue so to monitor;

- The applicant will continue to have annual reviews with a hospital specialist.

**The applicant must provide a signed declaration that he or she:**

- understands the risk of hypoglycaemia and will comply with such directions regarding treatment for diabetes as may from time to time be given by the registered medical practitioner overseeing that treatment, or one of the clinical team working under the supervision of that registered medical practitioner;
- regularly monitors his or her condition and, in particular, undertakes blood glucose monitoring at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving, using a device that incorporates an electronic memory function to measure and record blood glucose levels, and undertakes to continue so to monitor;
- will immediately report to [the Secretary of State] in writing any significant change in his or her condition and will follow the advice of his or her registered medical practitioner, or one of the clinical team working under the supervision of that registered medical practitioner, concerning fitness to drive.

**Applicants being treated with a medication which carries a risk of inducing hypoglycaemia, other than insulin**

<p><b>Sulphonylureas, including the following:</b> Chlorpropamide, Glibenclamide, Gliclazide, Glimepiride Glipizide, Glibense, Tolbutamide</p>	<p><b>Glinides, which include the following tablets</b> Nateglinide also known as Starlix Repaglinide also known as Prandin</p>
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**It is a requirement that the applicant:**

- has full awareness of hypoglycaemia;
- has not, during the period of one year immediately preceding the date when the licence is granted, had an episode of severe hypoglycaemia; and
- regularly monitors his or her condition and, in particular, undertakes blood glucose monitoring at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving

**It is a requirement that the applicant has attended an examination by a registered medical practitioner, who has provided a report confirming that**

- the applicant has a history of responsible diabetic control and currently has a minimal risk of impairment due to hypoglycaemia.
- has full awareness of hypoglycaemia;
- has not, during the period of one year immediately preceding the date when the licence is granted, had an episode of severe hypoglycaemia; and

- regularly monitors his or her condition and, in particular, undertakes blood glucose monitoring at least twice daily and at times relevant to driving

**Provides a signed declaration that he or she:**

- understands the risk of hypoglycaemia and will comply with such directions regarding treatment for diabetes as may from time to time be given by the registered medical practitioner overseeing that treatment, or one of the clinical team working under the supervision of that registered medical practitioner;
- will immediately report to [the Secretary of State] in writing any significant change in his or her condition and will follow the advice of his or her registered medical practitioner, or one of the clinical team working under the supervision of that registered medical practitioner, concerning fitness to drive