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Transport for London, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1, 2(1), (3), (6) and (8), 3, 4 and 6 of the Pedicabs (London) Act 2024, makes the following Regulations.

PART 1
PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Pedicab Vehicles (London) Regulations 2026.

(2) Except for regulation 3, these Regulations come into force on 9th March 2026.

(3) Regulation 3 comes into force on 18th February 2027.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the appropriate fee" means the fee which TfL may charge in accordance with regulation 12 of, and table 3 in the schedule to, the Pedicabs (London) (Fares and Fees) Regulations 2026(**a**);

"fixed penalty" means a fixed penalty under regulation 11;

"London Pedicab Specification" means the document of that title, which may be published by TfL on its website from time to time and sets out the requirements for the specification and use of a pedicab vehicle including, but not limited to, its dimensions, construction, capacity, motive power and battery, braking system, steering mechanism and wheels;

"London pedicab vehicle licence" means a licence granted by TfL under regulation 4(1);

"Pedicab Vehicle Policy" means the document of that title which may be published by TfL on its website from time to time and sets out policies, advice and guidance on pedicab vehicle licensing in London;

"pedicab vehicle" means a pedicab as defined in section 1(2) of the Pedicabs (London) Act 2024(**b**); and

"TfL" means Transport for London.

PART 2
LICENCES

Requirement for London pedicab vehicle licence

3.—(1) A pedicab vehicle must not be used in a public place in Greater London unless a London pedicab vehicle licence is in force for that pedicab vehicle.

(**a**) S.I. 2026/137.
(**b**) 2024 c. 7.

(2) The driver and operator of a pedicab vehicle who uses, or causes or permits to be used, a pedicab vehicle in contravention of this regulation are each guilty of an offence.

(3) A London pedicab vehicle licence holder who uses, or causes or permits to be used, a pedicab vehicle in contravention of this regulation is guilty of an offence.

(4) It is a defence in proceedings against—

(a) the driver or operator of a pedicab vehicle for an offence under paragraph (2); or

(b) a pedicab licence holder for an offence under paragraph (3) for the driver, operator or licence holder (as the case may be) to show that they exercised all due diligence to prevent the vehicle being used in contravention of this regulation.

(5) A person guilty of an offence under this regulation is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

London Pedicab vehicle licence applications

4.—(1) Any person may apply to TfL for a pedicab vehicle licence.

(2) An application for a London pedicab vehicle licence must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

(3) TfL may decline to proceed with an application for a London pedicab vehicle licence until the appropriate fee is paid.

(4) A London pedicab vehicle licence is to be granted for 1 year or for such shorter period as TfL may consider appropriate in the circumstances of the particular case.

(5) An application for the grant of a London pedicab vehicle licence must be made in such form, and include such declarations and information, as TfL may require.

(6) The information which TfL may require an applicant provide includes the location where the pedicab vehicle is to be stored and, in a case where the pedicab vehicle is fitted with a battery, the location where the battery is to be stored and charged.

(7) TfL may require an applicant to furnish such further information as TfL may consider necessary for dealing with an application for a London pedicab vehicle licence made under paragraph (1).

(8) An applicant for a London pedicab vehicle licence must pay the appropriate fee in respect of the grant of the licence by TfL.

(9) A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is granted must notify TFL within 7 days of any change in the information which the person supplied to TfL with the application for the licence.

(10) A London pedicab vehicle licence remains the property of TfL and the person to whom it has been issued must return the licence to TfL upon the expiry, revocation or surrender of the licence.

(11) A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is granted is prohibited from transferring the licence to another person.

(12) TfL may share such information provided to it with an application under this regulation with such persons or bodies as TfL may consider necessary or appropriate.

(13) The applicant for a London pedicab vehicle licence must present the pedicab vehicle for inspection and testing by TfL within such period and at such place as TfL may require by notice.

(14) A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted must—

(a) present the pedicab vehicle for periodic inspection throughout the duration of the licence as specified by TfL;

(b) keep and retain records of such inspection and maintenance and provide the records to TfL when requested to do so;

(c) keep the pedicab vehicle in compliance with all legislation which applies to the construction, use and operation of the relevant type of pedicab vehicle;

(d) obtain TfL's approval to any proposed adaptations or modifications to the pedicab vehicle;

(e) notify TfL within 7 days of any change in the ownership of the pedicab vehicle;

(f) report to TfL as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event, within 72 hours any accident to the pedicab vehicle or incident affecting the safety, performance or appearance of the pedicab vehicle or the comfort or convenience of persons carried in the pedicab vehicle;

(g) not use the pedicab vehicle in the event that it is found to be unsafe or fails to conform to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specification and Pedicab Vehicle Policy; and

(h) in the event that a pedicab vehicle is found to be unsafe or fails to meet the requirements specified in the London Pedicab Specifications and Pedicab Vehicle Policy present the pedicab vehicle for further inspection and testing by TfL within such period as TfL may require by notice.

London pedicab vehicle insurance

5.—(1) A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is issued must maintain in force a policy of insurance to carry passengers for hire or reward.

(2) A person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with this regulation is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

London pedicab vehicle identifier

6.—(1) TfL may issue a means of identification for a pedicab vehicle to which a London pedicab vehicle licence relates which identifies that pedicab vehicle as a vehicle for which such licence is in force.

(2) No pedicab vehicle to which a London pedicab vehicle licence relates must be used as a pedicab vehicle in public place in Greater London unless the means of identification issued under this regulation is exhibited on the pedicab vehicle in such manner as TfL may specify in the Pedicab Vehicle Policy.

(3) The means of identification issued under this regulation remains the property of TfL and the person to whom it is issued must return it upon expiry or surrender of the London pedicab vehicle licence to which it relates or if requested to do so at any time by TfL within the period of 7 days of such request.

(4) The means of identification issued under this regulation must not be—

(a) altered or defaced;

(b) obscured on the pedicab vehicle; or

(c) removed from the pedicab vehicle without permission from TfL unless the London pedicab vehicle licence to which it relates has expired, or has been surrendered or revoked.

(5) The person to whom the means of pedicab vehicle identification is issued under this regulation must notify TfL within 48 hours in the event of it being stolen, lost or damaged.

(6) A person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with this regulation is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

London pedicab vehicle licence: conditions

7.—(1) TfL, having considered an application for a London pedicab vehicle licence, may—

(a) grant the licence subject to such conditions as TfL thinks fit; or

(b) refuse the application.

(2) Without affecting TfL's power under subparagraph (1)(a), the conditions which may be attached to a London pedicab vehicle licence under this regulation include conditions—

(a) that nothing authorised by the licence may be carried out until TfL or some other specified person has given such further approval as may be specified in the licence;

(b) as to the provision, maintenance, testing or operation of equipment from a pedicab relating to anything authorised by the licence;

(c) as to the keeping of records or the making of returns or giving of other information to TfL; and

(d) that the holder of the licence may be excluded from operating, standing or plying for hire between specified hours, on specified days, in specified areas of Greater London, and in other specified circumstances.

(3) A London pedicab vehicle licence may provide—

(a) that it is to commence and expire on specified dates; and

(b) that it is to remain in force for a specified period of time (which may be determined by reference to a specified event).

(4) In addition to the conditions which TfL may attach to a London pedicab vehicle licence under this regulation upon the grant of a licence, TfL may also attach such like conditions at any time during the period for which the licence has been granted under regulation 4(4).

(5) TfL must give the holder of a London pedicab vehicle licence reasonable notice of a condition to be attached to the licence under paragraph (4) and when the condition is to apply from which may be with immediate effect following the giving of such notice to the licence holder by TfL.

(6) A person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with a condition attached to a London pedicab vehicle licence under this regulation is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

London pedicab vehicle licence: qualifying criteria

8.—(1) TfL may grant a pedicab vehicle licence to an applicant only if it is satisfied that the vehicle in respect of which the application is made—

(a) conforms to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specifications; and

(b) has not been modified from the manufacturer's design.

(2) A pedicab vehicle is not eligible for a London pedicab vehicle licence if that vehicle is already licensed by an authority other than TfL.

PART 3

VARIATION SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENCES

Power to vary, suspend or revoke licences

9.—(1) TfL may vary, suspend or revoke a pedicab vehicle licence if it appears to TfL that there has been a breach of any of the terms of the licence.

(2) Without affecting paragraph (1), the grounds on which TfL may vary, suspend or revoke a pedicab vehicle licence includes the matters set out in paragraphs (3) to (5).

(3) TfL may suspend or revoke a pedicab vehicle licence where the licence holder has, since the grant of the licence, been arrested and released, charged, cautioned or convicted in connection with a criminal offence.

(4) TfL may suspend or revoke a London pedicab vehicle licence if it appears to TfL that—

(a) in the course of the application for the licence any person either supplied information to TfL which was false or misleading or failed to supply information, or

(b) during the period for which the licence has been granted the licence holder has failed to notify TfL of any change in the information supplied to it with the application for the licence,

and if the correct information had been supplied TfL would have or it is likely TfL would have refused the application or granted the London pedicab vehicle licence on different terms.

(5) TfL may vary, suspend or revoke a London pedicab vehicle licence if it appears to TfL that the licence ought to be varied, suspended or revoked—

(a) if the licence holder has failed to comply with any conditions of the licence or any other obligation imposed on him under these Regulations; or

(b) for any other reason that TfL considers to be relevant.

(6) TfL may by notice vary, suspend or revoke a London pedicab vehicle licence at any time where in its opinion, the safety, performance or regulatory compliance of the pedicab vehicle to which the licence relates no longer conforms to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specifications.

Suspension and revocation under regulation 9

10.—(1) Where TfL has decided to suspend or revoke a London pedicab vehicle's licence under regulation 9—

(a) TfL must give notice in writing of the decision and the grounds for the decision to the licence holder; and

(b) the suspension or revocation takes effect at the end of the period of 7 days beginning with the day on which that notice is served on the licence holder.

(2) If TfL is of the opinion that the interests of public safety require the suspension or revocation of a licence to have immediate effect, and TfL includes a statement of that opinion and the reasons for it in the notice of suspension or revocation, the suspension or revocation takes effect when the notice is served on the London pedicab vehicle licence holder.

(3) A London pedicab vehicle licence suspended under this regulation is to remain suspended until such a time as TfL by notice directs that the licence is again in force or is revoked.

PART 4

FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

Fixed penalty offences

11.—(1) Where on any occasion an authorised officer finds a person who they have reason to believe has on that occasion committed an offence under regulation 7, the authorised officer may give that person a notice offering that person the opportunity of discharging any liability to conviction for that offence by payment of a fixed penalty.

(2) In paragraph (1) "authorised officer" means a person authorised in writing by TfL for the purposes of this regulation.

Fixed penalty notices

12.—(1) The provisions of this regulation have effect in relation to the notice ("fixed penalty notice") which may be given under regulation 11.

(2) Where a person is given a fixed penalty notice in respect of an offence—

(a) no proceedings must be instituted for that offence before the expiration of 28 days following the date of the notice; and

(b) the person is not to be convicted of that offence if they pay the fixed penalty before the expiration of that period.

(3) A fixed penalty notice must give such particulars of the circumstances alleged to constitute the offence as are necessary for giving reasonable information of the offence and state—

(a) the period during which, by virtue of paragraph (2), proceedings will not be taken for the offence;

(b) the amount of the fixed penalty;

(c) the options available for payment of the fixed penalty; and

(d) the consequences of not making any payment within the period for payment.

(4) TfL may prescribe the form of fixed penalty notice under this regulation.

(5) The fixed penalty payable under a fixed penalty notice must be paid to TfL.

(6) In any proceedings a certificate which—

(a) purports to be signed by or on behalf of the chief operating officer of TfL; and

(b) states that payment of a fixed penalty was or was not received by a date specified in the certificate,

is evidence of the facts stated.

Level of fixed penalty

13.—(1) TfL may set the amount of the fixed penalty payable to TfL in accordance with this regulation.

(2) In setting the amount of the fixed penalty TfL is to take into account the maximum fine for the offence under these Regulations and may take account of any reasonable costs or expected costs incurred or to be incurred in connection with the administration of the issuing of a fixed penalty notice under regulation 10.

(3) TfL must publish on its website the amount of the fixed penalty which has been set by TfL in accordance with this regulation.

PART 5

REGISTER OF LICENCES

Register of licences

14.—(1) TfL may keep and maintain in such form as it considers appropriate a register containing the following particulars for each London pedicab vehicle licence issued under these Regulations, namely—

(a) the number of the licence, the pedicab vehicle identification number, the name of the person to whom it is granted the date on which it is granted and the expiry date; and

(b) such other particulars as TfL considers appropriate.

(2) TfL may make publicly available information contained in the register.

(3) TfL may maintain a supplementary register containing, for each licence issued under these Regulations, the address of the person to whom it is granted.

(4) TfL may disclose the address of a licence holder to any person only if it appears to TfL that the person has a sufficient reason for requiring that information.

PART 6

APPEALS

Appeals

15.—(1) Without affecting the right to appeal under paragraph (5) a person may request that TfL reconsiders any decision to—

(a) refuse to grant, renew or vary a London pedicab vehicle licence;

(b) vary, suspend or revoke a London pedicab vehicle licence;

(c) impose a licence condition when granting or renewing a London pedicab vehicle licence, or at any time during the period for which the licence has been granted under regulation 4(4); or

(d) impose a penalty (other than a fixed penalty) under these Regulations.

(2) A request by a person that TfL reconsider any decision referred to in paragraph (1) must be made in writing and within 28 days of the date on which TfL issued its decision to the person.

(3) A person may appeal to a magistrates' court against any decision by TfL referred to in sub-paragraphs (1)(a) to (d).

(4) The time within which a person may bring an appeal under paragraph (3) is 28 days from the date on which the notice of the decision appealed against is served on the person.

(5) If any decision of TfL appealed against under this regulation—

(a) involves the execution of any work or the taking of any action; or

(b) makes it unlawful for any person to carry on a business which they were lawfully carrying on at the time of the decision,

the decision is not to take effect until the time for appealing has expired or (where an appeal is brought) until the appeal is disposed of or withdrawn.

(6) Paragraph (5) does not apply in relation to a decision to suspend, vary, or revoke a licence if the notice of suspension, variation or revocation directs that, in the interests of public safety, the decision is to have immediate effect.

Signed by authority of Transport for London

Andy Lord
Commissioner
Transport for London

18th February 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, made by TfL under the powers conferred on it by the Pedicabs (London) Act 2024 (c. 7), provide for the licensing of pedicab vehicles in Greater London.

Regulation 3 provides that a pedicab vehicle must not be used in a public place in Greater London unless a London pedicab vehicle licence is in force for that pedicab vehicle. A pedicab vehicle is defined in Regulation 2 by reference to the definition of a pedicab in section 1(2) of the Pedicabs (London) Act 2024.

Regulation 3 makes it an offence for the driver, operator or vehicle licence holder to use, or cause or permit to be used, a pedicab vehicle without a licence which is punishable by a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

Regulation 4 enables any person to apply to TfL for a London pedicab vehicle licence, which is granted for one year or such shorter period as TfL considers appropriate. Applications must be made in the form TfL requires and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee (as set out in the Pedicabs (London) (Fares and Fees) Regulations 2006) and such information as TfL may require. Such information includes where the pedicab vehicle is to be stored and where the pedicab vehicle is fitted with a battery, the location where the battery is to be stored and charged.

Regulation 4 provides for a fee to be paid in respect of the grant of the licence by TfL as set out in the Pedicabs (London) (Fares and Fees) Regulations 2006. A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is granted is required to notify TFL within 7 days of any change in the information which the person supplied to TfL with the application for the licence. A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is granted is prohibited from transferring the licence to another person.

Regulation 4 enables TfL to share information provided to it with an application with such persons or bodies as TfL may consider necessary or appropriate. An example of the intended use of this power is the sharing of information provided to TfL relating to the storage and charging of pedicab batteries with the London fire brigade. The applicant for a London pedicab vehicle licence is required to present the pedicab vehicle for inspection and testing by TfL and a person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted must subsequently present the pedicab vehicle for periodic inspection throughout the duration of the licence as specified by TfL.

Regulation 4 further requires a person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted to keep records of inspection and maintenance, to keep the pedicab vehicle in compliance with all legislation which applies to the construction, use and operation of the relevant type of pedicab vehicle and to obtain TfL's approval to any proposed adaptations or modifications to the pedicab vehicle. A person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted must notify TfL within 7 days of any change in the ownership of the pedicab vehicle.

Regulation 4 requires a person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted to report to TfL as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any event, within 72 hours) any accident to the pedicab vehicle affecting its safety, performance or appearance or the comfort or convenience of persons carried in the pedicab vehicle. A pedicab vehicle must not be used in the event that it is found to be unsafe or fails to conform to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specification. In the event that a pedicab vehicle is found to be unsafe or fails to meet the requirements specified in the London Pedicab Specification the person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence has been granted must present the pedicab vehicle for further inspection and testing by TfL The London Pedicab Specification is defined in regulation 2 and is a document published by TfL setting out the requirements for the specification and use of pedicab vehicles.

Regulation 5 requires a person to whom a London pedicab vehicle licence is issued to have insurance to carry passengers for hire or reward and provides for it to be an offence not to do so.

Regulation 6 provides for TfL to issue a means of identification for a pedicab vehicle to which a London pedicab vehicle licence relates which identifies that pedicab vehicle as a pedicab vehicle

for which such licence is in force. A pedicab vehicle to which a London pedicab vehicle licence relates must not be used in a public place in Greater London unless the means of identification is exhibited on the pedicab vehicle as TfL may specify in the Pedicab Vehicle Policy (defined in regulation 2 as a document which TfL may be publish which sets out policies advice and guidance on pedicab vehicle licencing in London). The means of identification must not be altered or defaced or obscured or removed from the pedicab vehicle without permission from TfL. The person to whom the means of pedicab vehicle identification is issued under this regulation must notify TfL within 48 hours in the event of it being stolen, lost or damaged. A person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with regulation 6 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale (£2500).

Regulation 7 enables TfL to issue London pedicab vehicle licence subject to conditions or to refuse an application. Without affecting TfL's general power to impose conditions, the conditions which may be attached to a London pedicab vehicle licence include conditions that nothing authorised by the licence may be carried out until TfL or some other specified person has given such further approval as may be specified in the licence; as to the provision, maintenance, testing or operation of equipment from a pedicab relating to anything authorised by the licence, as to the keeping of records or the making of returns or giving of other information to TfL and that the holder of the licence may be excluded from operating, standing or plying for hire between specified times or days, in specified areas of Greater London, and in other specified circumstances. TfL may also impose conditions during the term of the licence.

Regulation 8 enables TfL to grant a pedicab vehicle licence only if it is satisfied that the vehicle in conforms to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specification and has not been modified from the manufacturer's design. Regulation 8 further provides that a pedicab vehicle is not eligible for a London pedicab vehicle licence if that pedicab vehicle is already licensed by an authority other than TfL.

Regulation 9 empowers TfL to vary, suspend or revoke a licence where there has been a breach of any of the terms of the licence. Specific grounds include arrest or conviction in connection with a criminal offence, the supply of false or misleading information in the application and failure to comply with licence conditions. TfL may by notice vary, suspend or revoke a licence at any time where in its opinion, the safety, performance or regulatory compliance of the pedicab vehicle no longer conforms to the requirements set out in the London Pedicab Specification.

Regulation 10 requires TfL to give notice of suspension or revocation decisions, which take effect seven days after service. Where public safety requires immediate effect, TfL may so state in the notice and the suspension or revocation takes effect upon service. A suspended licence remains suspended until TfL directs otherwise.

Regulation 11 provides for an offence under the regulation 7 to be a fixed penalty offence. Where on any occasion an authorised officer believes that a person has committed an offence the authorised officer may serve the person concerned with a notice ("a fixed penalty notice") on the spot offering the person the opportunity of paying a fixed penalty instead of being prosecuted for the offence.

Regulation 12 provides for a fixed penalty notice to be given in respect of a fixed penalty offence. Where a fixed penalty notice is served, the recipient cannot be convicted of an offence if the person pays the fixed penalty within 28 days from the date of the notice. No proceedings can be instituted for the offence until the end of that period. Regulation 12 includes provision relating to the contents, manner of service and form of fixed penalty notices, provides that the fixed penalty must be paid to TfL or a person authorised by TfL and that a certificate signed by TfL's chief operating officer stating that a fixed penalty was or was not received by a specified date is evidence of the facts stated in the notice.

Regulation 13 provides for the amount of the fixed penalty which TfL may charge.

Regulation 14 provides that TfL may keep and maintain a register of London pedicab vehicle licences issued under these Regulations and for the details to be included in the register. TfL may make publicly available information contained in the register. TfL may also maintain a

supplementary register containing the address of the person to whom a licence is granted which TfL may disclose to any person only if it appears to TfL that the person has a sufficient reason for requiring that information.

Regulation 15 provides that instead of appealing to the magistrates court, applicants may request TfL to reconsider decisions to refuse, renew, vary, suspend or revoke a licence, or to impose licence conditions or a penalty (other than a fixed penalty). However, if TfL maintains its decision following reconsideration, the applicant may still appeal to a magistrates' court. Regulation 15 provides that if any decision of TfL appealed against involves the execution of any work or the taking of any action or makes it unlawful for any person to carry on a business which they were lawfully carrying on at the time of the decision for the decision not to take effect until the time for appealing has expired or (where an appeal is brought) until the appeal is disposed of or withdrawn. However this does not apply in relation to a decision that has immediate effect due to interests of public safety.

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