

APPLICATION FORM AND DETAILS

What is a Taxicard?

A Taxicard allows the holder to make taxi journeys at a reduced rate. The Taxicard scheme is designed to help disabled people get about by making taxi journeys cheaper. It's available to Edinburgh residents with a severe, permanent disability who can't use ordinary buses or can only use buses with assistance. Children under two years old and people with temporary mobility difficulties are not eligible for a Taxicard.

How does a Taxicard work?

Taxicard holders pay a flat rate fare of £2.00 for every journey made under the scheme – as long as the total amount on the taxi's meter is no more than £5.00 (that is £5.00 including any extras for additional passengers, luggage etc.) When the fare comes to more than £5.00 the Taxicard holder pays the flat rate plus the amount over £5.00.

Example 1	Fare on taxi meter	£4.50
	Taxicard holder pays	£2.00 (flat rate)
Example 2	Fare on taxi meter	£6.00
	Taxicard holder pays	£3.00*
*f2 00 flat rate plus f1 00 (the amount over f5 00)		

^{*£2.00} flat rate plus £1.00, (the amount over £5.00)

When can a Taxicard be used?

You can use your Taxicard for any journey, for example: a trip to the shops, visiting friends or going to classes. It's valid day and night, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Taxicard holders can make up to 104 taxi journeys a year (that's equivalent to one return journey a week). After each Taxicard journey, please keep the yellow receipt issued by the taxi driver. This will help you keep a note of all your Taxicard journeys so you won't go over your allowance of 104 trips.

Which taxi company accept Taxicards?

Your Taxicard can only be used with Central Taxis



Checklist

Before you submit your application, have you:

- 1. Completed all of the sections of the application form
 - a. Information about the Applicant
 - b. Eligibility Criteria
- 2. Signed the consent section
- 3. Signed the declaration section
- 4. Included a passport style photograph (signed on the back)
- 5. Enclosed or made payment of £20.00

If you have done everything listed above, please send your completed application form, payment and photographs to:

Travel Concessions, FREEPOST EH242, Edinburgh, EH1 0AH. (No stamp needed). Please mark the envelope Private and Confidential.

Your application may take some time to process, but we will deal with it as quickly as we can. If you have problems completing this form, please telephone this number: 0131 469 3891

Conditions of use

- 1. The Taxicard is issued on the understanding that it is for personal use and is not transferable
- 2. The Taxicard remains the property of Travel Concessions.
- 3. If your circumstances change in a way that affects your entitlement to use the scheme, (for example, if your mobility improves so that you can use buses, or if you move out of the area), the Taxicard must be returned to Travel Concessions immediately.
- 4. If your Taxicard is lost or stolen, you must inform Travel Concessions in writing and enclose a passport size photograph and a cheque or postal order for £10.

Please note that failure to abide by the Conditions of Use may result in the withdrawal of the Taxicard.

Travel Concessions is registered under the Data Protection Act and applicants may have access to their records under its terms.



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