

## 59912 Towbars on Licensed Private Hire Vehicles

I would like to know why Licensed Private Hire Vehicles in Edinburgh are prohibited from having towbars. Whether factory fitted or not.

Our current conditions for Private Hire Vehicles (along with historic conditions) can be found on our website at:

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1099575/private-hire-car-vehicle-licence>

Please refer to Standard Conditions – 23 August 2021, at the foot of the web page.

Refer to 'Other Fittings' - Condition 320 which covers the tow bar requirement (Page 72 of 80).

Tow bars are prohibited on all licensed vehicles due to the serious injuries that can be caused to passengers who, by their nature, will be unaware of the tow bar's presence on the vehicle.

Similar conditions have been adopted by other Licensing Authorities in Scotland.