

Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Driver and Operator Support Fund

Licensed taxi or private hire drivers experiencing financial challenges as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, and who previously received a one-off grant of £1,500, may now be eligible for a second grant payment. **Grants are based on the number of vehicle licences held:**

- owner/operators with one vehicle - a single award of £1,000
- owner/operators with 2 to 9 vehicles - a single award of £3,000
- owner/operators with 10 to 49 vehicles - a single award of £7,000
- owner/operators with 50 or more vehicles - a single award of £15,000



If you are eligible for a grant, your local authority will get in touch with you.

Eligibility

Taxi and private hire drivers

- have previously received a grant from the Taxi and Private Hire Driver Support Fund earlier in 2021
- have a current local authority taxi or private hire driver licence which is valid as at 3 June 2021

Taxi operators

- be an individual or company holding a valid taxi or private hire vehicle licence as at 3 June 2021
- have experienced loss of income (50% of turnover, compared with 2019) and incurred overhead costs and expenses (confirmed by self-certification)

For drivers, local authorities will automatically pay the grant to you if you are eligible. Local councils will begin to process payments towards the end of week commencing 7 June 2021, or earlier if possible.

For taxi operators, local authorities will contact you to confirm your status and progress applications. Local councils will begin to contact all eligible vehicle licence holders from mid-June, and will aim to make payments in June/July, provided they have received all supporting information required. For more information visit - <https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/taxi-and-private-hire-vehicle-driver-and-operator-support-fund>

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