

QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES

1. Do you think the age policy needs to be amended?

YES	NO
20	2

2. If so, what do you think the age limit should be for vehicles on first licensing?

3 years	1
5 years	1
6 years	6
7-8 years	1
8 years	2
10 years	8
No age limit	1

3. Do you think there should be an upper age limit for licensed vehicles?

YES	NO
12	10

4. If so, what do you think the upper age limit should be?

6 years	2
7-8 years	1
10 years	5
12 years	1
12/13 years	1
15 years	1
No age given	0

5. Do you have any other comments/suggestions in relation to the age policy?

- As long as vehicles meet the criteria set then vehicles should be allowed.
- As long as it passed its plating and continues to pass future plating that should be sufficient of any age vehicle.
- I think licensed vehicles should be newer vehicles and stay on as a taxi until it reaches 10 years old.
- If the age policy is changed it would be great for us & new owners.

- In my opinion a 6 year old vehicle would be no different to a 4 year old for age, but would be more viable for operators to purchase. You are talking about £10,000 to £12,000 in difference to buy a 4 year old minibus to a 6 year old minibus. They are MOT inspected twice a year so can be monitored the same by MTCBC. I myself run private hire vehicles and this would help me massively as it would other operators in my position.
- Happy to keep at 4 years or under. Less mileage, maintenance, vehicle should last longer. Older vehicles could lead to more breakdowns.
- I would like you to consider the fact that a car is checked 6 monthly (MOT inspection carried out) which determines the car is roadworthy.
- I had to purchase a vehicle under 4 years old. Uphold the standard of vehicles as taxis. There's a lot of old dirty and old unsightly taxis that are licensed by Merthyr Tydfil Council now. No change to the rules.
- It should be 10 years as the car prices have rocketed.