

ASHLEY

Travel (Minibuses) Ltd
14 to 24 Seat Minibus Hire



29th June 2015

Dear Michaela

I would like to request private hire plate for a specialist mini bus with hydraulic lift to carry two wheel chairs for disabled access.

Referring to your licensing policy 13.6 accessibility

The Authority is committed to social inclusion and ensuring a wide variety of opportunities is available to those with mobility difficulties in order to enjoy a high quality of life.

It fully supports the view of the equality and human rights commission that making successful journeys is critical to the social inclusion of disabled people without the ability to travel disabled people are denied access to life opportunities their access to education shopping employment healthcare as well as social and family life is significantly improved when journeys become accessible.

Unfortunately this vehicle does not comply with 13.14

All vehicles licensed under a new application must be a maximum of 6 years old and if compliant with the requirements for licence shall therefore be granted a vehicle licence until the age of 15 years whereupon the vehicle must be replaced with one of a maximum age of 6 years.

If the vehicle is replaced at anytime this must be with one a minimum of 3 years younger than the current licensed vehicle.

However if a vehicle is replaced at any time for reasons that are beyond the control of the driver for example as of the result of criminal damage this must be with one no older then the previously licensed vehicle.

These vehicles are very expensive and in the current climate made it not viable to pay another £4000 for a new a model and has a bus company 30% of our fleet is aimed at disabled wheel chair access are small buses only take one wheel chair this can become very expensive for nursing homes and schools this vehicle would be a accent for the disabled in west Lancashire as we do get a lot of requests for a multiply wheelchair bus I will bring this bus to your next committee meeting for you to inspect.

Yours faithfully

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