

# **PREMIER CARS**

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Claire Hartrey,  
Cardiff Council Licensing

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Re: Dark Glass in vehicles

Dear Claire,

I write to explain our thoughts on the Dark(Tinted) glass fitted to Vehicles for use as Private Hire Vehicles.

At Premier we run around 240 Private Hire Vehicles licensed by Cardiff Council, we have various types on the fleet to include Saloon, Wheelchair Accessible, Executive and MPV type vehicles.

Recently we won the contract to service the NHS in Cardiff, Bridgend and the Vale of Glamorgan with various types of vehicles to include Wheel Chair accessible.

It has been noted that at times passengers in wheelchair cars would like the option to have dark glass fitted to the vehicle, there are also requests that we receive when operating at various events that take place within the city.

We understand the concerns of passenger safety in relation to dark glass, however we have an office in Bridgend where we have vehicles fitted with this type of dark glass and have not had any issues whatsoever – as an example we have been running 8 seat and 7 seat Ford Tourneos as Hackney Carriages on our circuit for the last 5 years, these vehicles do not have any CCTV fitted.

It is becoming more popular in manufactures suppling vehicles as standard with dark glass, this is now restricting the choice of vehicles available for use.

We support the use of dark glass in Private Hire Vehicles.

Regards



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Director

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