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NOTICES AND PROCEEDINGS

GENERAL NOTES

Layout and presentation – Entries in each Section (other than in Section 5) are listed in alphabetical order. Each entry is prefaced by a reference number, which should always be quoted in any correspondence or enquiry.

Further notes precede each section, where appropriate.

Accuracy of publication – Details published of applications and requests reflect information provided by applicants. The Traffic Commissioner cannot be held responsible for applications that contain incorrect information.

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Section 1

Special Notices

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Section 2

PSV Operator Licensing

Inspection of licence applications can be requested under the provisions of Regulation 4 of the Public Service Vehicles (Operators' Licences) Regulations 1995 by anybody who holds statutory Objector status. Applications may be inspected free of charge at the Traffic Commissioner's office by any person who carries written authorisation to act in that capacity. Alternatively, copies of weekly publications can be obtained by either an annual subscription of £91 or £3.50 for individual publications. Details can also be viewed by visiting **the VOSA website at** www.businesslink.gov.uk/transport

Objections against applications for licences may be made in writing by a Chief Officer of Police or local authority within 21 days after the date on which notice of an application is published in Notices and Proceedings. Objections must be made on the grounds that one or more of the requirements mentioned in Section 14(1) and (3) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981 are not satisfied in relation to the application. A copy of the objection must be sent by the Objector to the applicant at the same time that it is sent to the Traffic Commissioner. The onus of proof in terms of the grounds on which an objection is lodged lies with the objector. There is no right of objection against an application for a special licence submitted under Section 12 of the Transport Act 1985.

The Tribunal's website is www.administrativeappeals.tribunals.gov.uk.

Classification of Operator Licences - There are four classes of licence: -

- A **Standard International (S/I)** licence authorises the use of any description of public service vehicle on both National and International operations;
- A **Standard National (S/N)** licence authorises the use of any description of public service vehicle on National operations;
- A **Restricted licence (R)** authorises the use of (a) public service vehicles not adapted to carry more than eight passengers and (b) those not adapted to carry more than sixteen passengers when used otherwise than in the course of a business of carrying passengers or by a person whose main occupation is not the operation of public service vehicles adapted to carry more than eight passengers;
- A **Special Restricted (SR)** licence under Section 12 of the Transport Act 1985 is granted to the holder of a taxi licence to enable local services to be operated.

Appeals in connection with PSV Operator Licences must be lodged with the Transport Tribunal, Upper Tribunal- Administrative Appeal Chamber(Transport), 7th Floor, Victory House, 30-34 Kingsway London, WC2B 6EX not later than 28 days after the date of the letter conveying the Traffic Commissioner's (or Deputy Traffic Commissioner's) decision. A copy of the appeals booklet is available from the Traffic Area Office on request. Appellants can alternatively obtain guidance on lodging appeals by visiting **the VOSA website at** www.businesslink.gov.uk/transport.

Any previous entry in Notices and Proceedings is indicated by the publication number in brackets.

The VOSA web-site contains details of all applications listed in this section.

Section 2.1 New Applications Received

(UNDER SECTION 14 OF THE PUBLIC PASSENGER VEHICLES ACT 1981)

PK1092239 R **ASHLEY TURNER**
9 CORNELL WAY ROMFORD RM5 2HA
Operating Centre: 9 , CORNELL WAY ROMFORD RM5 2HA
Authorisation:1 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).

- PK1092255 R **BERTRAM BENT T/A PLATINUM RIDE LIMO**
58 POLLARDS HILL SOUTH LONDON SW16 4NB
Operating Centre: ACCESS SELF STORAGE, 80 GLOUCESTER ROAD ,
CROYDON CR0 2DB
Authorisation:2 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).
- PK1092102 R **MARK LEWINTON**
256, GANDER GREEN LANE, CHEAM , SUTTON SM3 9QF
Operating Centre: 256, GANDER GREEN LANE SUTTON SM3 9QF
Authorisation:1 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).
- PK1092297 SI **NATALIE HUNT T/A WILD EXCURSIONS T/A STRETCH LIMOUSINES**
UNIT 2 ROBINS WHARF, GROVE ROAD, NORTHFLEET GRAVESEND
DA11 9AX
Operating Centre: UNIT 2 ROBINS WHARF GROVE ROAD, NORTHFLEET
GRAVESEND DA11 9AX
Authorisation:6 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).
Transport Manager(s): DAVID ASHBY
- PK1092386 R **ROCHESTER INDEPENDENT COLLEGE**
Director(s): ALISTAIR BROWNLOW, PAULINE BAILEY, BRIAN PAIN.
35-37, STAR HILL ROCHESTER ME1 1XF
Operating Centre: 35-37, STAR HILL ROCHESTER ME1 1XF
Authorisation:2 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).

Section 2.2 New Applications Granted

- PK1082223 SN (2181) **AIR FENELLA SYSTEMS LTD T/A AIR FENELLA**
Director(s): JASVINDER SINGH REHNCY, NIRAY TRIVEDI, CHARLES BULWA.
40 PERIMEADE ROAD, PERIVALE , GREENFORD UB6 7AT
Operating Centre: SUITE 121, VIGLEN HOUSE, ALDERTON LANE,
WEMBLEY, MIDDLESEX HA0 1HD
Authorisation:4 Vehicle(s) and 0 Trailer(s).
Transport Manager(s): RABAH HAFID
- PK1090698 R (2179) **ELAINE BARBARA LENSZ**
5 ST. PAUL CLOSE UXBRIDGE UB8 3SF
Operating Centre: 5 , ST. PAUL CLOSE UXBRIDGE UB8 3SF
Authorisation:1 Vehicle(s).
New Condition: Bank statements for February, March and April 2010 to be
provided no later than 31 May 2010.. Attached to Licence.
New Undertaking: Limousines and novelty vehicles are not to be operated under
this operator licence. Attached to Licence.
- PK1090649 R (2179) **KAMRAN NUYANI T/A TRAVEL FORCE UK**
64, HAROLD ROAD, UPTON , LONDON E13 0SG
Operating Centre: 365 - 367, ROMFORD ROAD LONDON E7 8AA
Authorisation:1 Vehicle(s).
New Undertaking: Limousines and novelty vehicles are not to be operated under
this operators licence. Attached to Licence.

PK1090325 SN **ROSS NORMAN YOUNG T/A SPOT HIRE TRAVEL**
(2178) STATION APPROACH, BEARSTED STATION, WARE STREET MAIDSTONE
ME14 4PH
Operating Centre: THE COACH PARK OLD ASHFORD ROAD, LENHAM
MAIDSTONE ME17 2DG
Authorisation:8 Vehicle(s).
Transport Manager(s): ROGER YOUNG

PK1091274 SN **WHEELDRIVE LTD**
(2181) **Director(s): MICHAEL JOHN FARRELL, STEWART JAMES LANEY,
CHRISTOPHER JAMES TULL.**
UNIT 8, LISS BUSINESS CENTRE, STATION ROAD LISS GU33 7AW
Operating Centre: THE WORKSHOP, IRONHILL, HOLLYCOMBE LIPHOOK
GU30 7LP
Authorisation:2 Vehicle(s).
Transport Manager(s): CHRIS KEECH
New Undertaking: Limousines and novelty vehicles are not to be operated under
this operators licence. Attached to Licence.

Section 2.3 New Applications Refused

No Entries

Section 2.4 Variation Applications Granted

PK1067004 SN **BENJAMIN BANKS T/A BANKS TRAVEL SOLUTIONS**
LINKRIDER COACHES LTD, FLOWER MEADOW, HAYCRAFTS LANE,
HARMON'S CROSS, SWANAGE BH19 1AU
Removed operating centre: EUROSTORAGE, TAVISTOCK ROAD , WEST
DRAYTON UB7 7QT
New operating centre: LINKRIDER COACHES, VICTORIA AVENUE
INDUSTRIAL ESTATE , SWANAGE BH19 1AU (0 vehicle(s), 0 trailer(s))
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 1 vehicle(s), 0 trailer(s)

PK1015204 SI **COUNTRYWIDE TRAVEL SERVICES LTD T/A Dawney Holidays**
Director(s): STEVEN JAMES SMITH.
ABBAY WORKS, WHITEWAY ROAD QUEENBOROUGH ME11 5PP
Removed operating centre: UNIT 6, TRANSIT WORKS, POWER STATION
ROAD, MINSTER ON SEA, SHEERNESS ME12 3AD
New operating centre: ABBAY WORKS, WHITEWAY ROAD
QUEENBOROUGH ME11 5PP ()
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 10 vehicle(s),

PK1072254 SN **D J COACHES LTD**
Director(s): DAVID WILLIAM BLANKS, MATTHEW BLANKS.
15, WARWICK CLOSE BEXLEY DA5 3NL
Increased authorisation at existing operating centre: 7, MARK LANE
GRAVESEND DA12 2QB ()
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 20 vehicle(s),

PK1060401 SI **G & A COACHES LTD**
Director(s): ALAN MCLEAD.
6 ST. EDMUNDS CLOSE ERITH DA18 4DU
Increased authorisation at existing operating centre: FORMER UNWINS DEPOT,
VICTORIA ROAD , DARTFORD DA1 5AJ ()
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 2 vehicle(s),

PK0003513 R **JAY SHERWIN T/A CHARIOTS**
CHARIOTS, MERLINS, UCKFIELD ROAD, CLAYHILL, RINGMER, EAST
SUSSEX BN8 5RU
New operating centre: MERLINS, UCKFIELD ROAD, CLAYHILL EAST
SUSSEX BN8 5RU ()
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 2 vehicle(s),

PK1083850 SN **KEITH WILLIAM & DAWN RIA & PAUL EVEREST T/A KENSWAY
TOURS**
**Partner(s): PAUL EVEREST, DAWN RIA EVEREST, KEITH WILLIAM
EVEREST.**
36-37, BLUE CHALET INDUSTRIAL PARK, WEST KINGSDOWN ,
SEVENOAKS TN15 6BQ
New operating centre: 14-15, PARK ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE , SWANLEY
BR8 8AH (0 vehicle(s), 0 trailer(s))
New authorisation at this operating centre will be: 6 vehicle(s), 0 trailer(s)

PK0003603 SN **TRISTAR BUS & COACH TRAVEL LTD**
DIRECTOR(s): RAJDAVINDER MRS DHILLON, HARDESH SADHRA.
147 FIRS DRIVE, CRANFORD , HOUNSLOW TW5 9TB

Section 2.5 Variation Applications Refused

No Entries

Section 2.6 Licences Surrendered or Terminated

No Entries

Section 2.7 Application withdrawn prior to determination

PK1090732 R **DAVID MORGAN T/A OUT & ABOUT TRAVEL**
(2179) 21 FITZROY ROAD LEWES BN7 2UB

Section 2.8 Grants not taken up (grant fee not paid)

No Entries

Section 2.9 Licences Revoked without a Public Inquiry

No Entries

Section 2.10 Conditions imposed under Section 16.3 of the PPPV Act 1981 (without a Public Inquiry)



Section 3

Registration Of Local Bus Services

The current fees for new and variation applications can be found on the VOSA website. Applications to cancel registrations are free.

When an application is sent to the Traffic Area Office, a copy of all application forms and supporting documents must also be sent to each of the County Councils and Unitary Authorities in whose area the service will operate. Failure to do so may delay acceptance of that application.

Some of the periods of notice applicable before the operation of registered services, including variations or cancellations, are at the discretion of the Traffic Commissioner. In such cases the application must be accompanied by a written explanation of why a short notice period is required.

Any registration may be inspected at the office of the Traffic Commissioner during public business hours and copies of registrations can be sent by post or fax to any interested party upon prior receipt of a written request together with a fee of £3.00 per copy for posted copies or £5.00 per copy for faxed copies.

The VOSA web-site (www.businesslink.gov.uk/transport) contains details of all registration applications listed in this section

Section 3.1 Registration Of New Services

No Entries

Section 3.2 Registration Of New Services Granted Under Short Notice

- PK0001670/33 **CHALKWELL GARAGE & COACH HIRE LTD T/A CHALKWELL COACH HIRE, CHALKWELL GARAGE, 195 CHALKWELL ROAD , SITTINGBOURNE ME10 1BJ**
From: Upchurch
To: Sittingbourne
Via:
Name or No: 328
Service Type: Normal Stopping, Hail & Ride
Effective Date: 05-Oct-2009
Other Details: School days only.
- PK0000325/138 **SOUTHDOWN MOTOR SERVICES LTD T/A STAGECOACH IN THE SOUTHDOWN, BUS STATION, BASIN ROAD , CHICHESTER PO19 8DG**
From: Witley Station
To: Ramster House
Via:
Name or No: 971
Service Type: Normal Stopping
Effective Date: 07-Nov-2009
End Date: 08-Nov-2009
Other Details: Special service for Chiddingfold bonfire & fireworks display, operates Saturday 7th November 2009 only

Section 3.3 Applications To Vary Existing Services

- PK0001670/29 **CHALKWELL GARAGE & COACH HIRE LTD T/A CHALKWELL COACH HIRE, CHALKWELL GARAGE, 195 CHALKWELL ROAD , SITTINGBOURNE ME10 1BJ**
Operating between Maidstone and New Covent Garden given service number 781/784 effective from 14-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0000098/146 **EAST KENT ROAD CAR CO LTD, THE BUS STATION, ST. GEORGES LANE , CANTERBURY CT1 2SY**
Operating between Margate Cecil Street and Margate Cecil Street given service number Loop effective from 20-Dec-2009. To amend Route and Timetable.
- PK0001938/8 **EAST LONDON BUS & COACH CO LTD T/A EAST LONDON BUS GROUP, FAO RICHARD SMITH, 2-4 CLEMENTS ROAD , ILFORD IG1 1BA**
Operating between London Boundary at Sandy Lane and Lakeside Shopping Centre given service number 372 effective from 05-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0003087/2 **EASTONWAYS LTD, UNIT 3, OLD TIMBER YARD INDUSTRIAL EST, MANSTON ROAD RAMSGATE CT12 6HJ**
Operating between Stanley Road, Broadstairs and Q.E.Q.M. Hospital Margate given service number 56 effective from 27-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0003087/5 **EASTONWAYS LTD, UNIT 3, OLD TIMBER YARD INDUSTRIAL EST, MANSTON ROAD RAMSGATE CT12 6HJ**
Operating between Monkton and Ramsgate given service number 42 effective from 27-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0003087/3 **EASTONWAYS LTD, UNIT 3, OLD TIMBER YARD INDUSTRIAL EST, MANSTON ROAD RAMSGATE CT12 6HJ**
Operating between Newington Centre and St Peters Surgery given service number 39/39A/E10 effective from 27-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PF1031469/1 **NATIONAL EXPRESS LTD, MR PAUL WHITLEY, 1 HAGLEY RD, EDGBASTON BIRMINGHAM B16 8TG**
Operating between CAMBRIDGE and HEATHROW AIRPORT given service number 787 effective from 30-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PF1031469/2 **NATIONAL EXPRESS LTD, MR PAUL WHITLEY, 1 HAGLEY RD, EDGBASTON BIRMINGHAM B16 8TG**
Operating between NORWICH and GATWICK AIRPORT given service number 727 effective from 30-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0001815/14 **TRAVEL LONDON (WEST) LTD T/A Travel London, 301 CAMBERWELL NEW ROAD LONDON SE5 0TF**
Operating between Engle field Green Cherrywood Ave and Heathrow Airport Central Bus Station given service number 441 effective from 28-Nov-2009. To amend Route, Stopping Places and Timetable.
- PK00004/CB/000010 **Community Transport (Brighton & Hove Area) Ltd, Preston Barracks,**
PK00005/CB/000011 **Lewes Road, Brighton BN2 4GL**
Operating between Rodmell, Abergavenny Arms and Brighton Station given route number 130, to amend timetable starting on 17 December 2009.

Section 3.4 Applications To Vary Existing Services Granted Under Short Notice

- PK1054391/1 **AIRPARKS SERVICES LTD, WILLOW HOUSE, PINWOOD COURT, COLESHILL ROAD, MARSTON GREEN, BIRMINGHAM B37 7HG**
Operating between Lowfield Heath and Gatwick Airport given service number Gatwick Airport Shuffle effective from 31-Oct-2009. To amend Timetable.

- PK0001684/15 **ARRIVA GUILDFORD & WEST SURREY LTD T/A ARRIVA SOUTHERN COUNTIES, INVICTA HOUSE, ARMSTRONG ROAD , MAIDSTONE ME15 6TX**
Operating between Guildford and Guildford given service number 4/5 effective from 22-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0000208/10 **ARRIVA KENT & SUSSEX LTD T/A ARRIVA SOUTHERN COUNTIES, INVICTA HOUSE, ARMSTRONG RD , MAIDSTONE ME15 6TX**
Operating between Maidstone Chequers Centre and Bearsted Green, Cross Keys given service number 9/19 effective from 05-Oct-2009. To amend Route and Timetable.
- PK0000098/146 **EAST KENT ROAD CAR CO LTD, THE BUS STATION, ST. GEORGES LANE , CANTERBURY CT1 2SY**
Operating between Margate Cecil Square and Margate Cecil Square given service number Thanet Loop effective from 01-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0003087/6 **EASTONWAYS LTD, UNIT 3, OLD TIMBER YARD INDUSTRIAL EST, MANSTON ROAD RAMSGATE CT12 6HJ**
Operating between Ramsgate Harbour and Birchington Station given service number 38/38A/38B effective from 27-Dec-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0002878/1 **JASON TOURS LTD T/A JASON TOURS, 33 WOODFIELD RD HOUNSLOW TW4 6LL**
Operating between WEXHAM PARK HOSPITAL and CIRCULAR given service number 583 effective from 02-Nov-2009. To amend Route, Stopping Places and Timetable.
- PK1055816/25 **KENT TOP TEMPS LTD T/A KENT TOP TRAVEL, THE FORSTAL, BEDDOW WAY , AYLESFORD ME20 7HB**
Operating between ST GEORGES LANE (BUS STATION) and NEW DOVER ORAD PARK AND RIDE given service number P3 effective from 26-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK1055816/23 **KENT TOP TEMPS LTD T/A KENT TOP TRAVEL, THE FORSTAL, BEDDOW WAY , AYLESFORD ME20 7HB**
Operating between ST GEORGES LANE (BUS STATION) and STURRY ROAD PARK AND RIDE given service number P1 effective from 26-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK1055816/24 **KENT TOP TEMPS LTD T/A KENT TOP TRAVEL, THE FORSTAL, BEDDOW WAY , AYLESFORD ME20 7HB**
Operating between ST GEORGES LANE (BUS STATION) and WINCHEAP TEN PERCH ROAD given service number P2 effective from 26-Nov-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK1048613/10 **MANNS TRAVEL LTD T/A MANNS TRAVEL, ENTERPRISE HOUSE, NORFOLK RD , GRAVESEND DA12 2PS**
Operating between New Ash Green, Redhill Wood and Axton Chase School given service number 489 effective from 01-Sep-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0000141/49 **NU-VENTURE COACHES LTD, UNIT 2F, DEACON TRADING ESTATE, FORSTAL ROAD , AYLESFORD ME20 7SP**
Operating between Pembury and Tunbridge Wells given service number 277 effective from 12-Oct-2009. To amend Route and Timetable.
- PF0002431/13 **SULLIVAN BUS & COACH LTD T/A SULLIVAN BUSES, ST. ALBANS RD, SOUTH MIMMS , POTTERS BAR EN6 3PN**
Operating between RADLETT and KINGSBURY, JEWISH FREE SCHOOL given service number B77 effective from 26-Oct-2009. To amend Timetable.
- PK0001815/34 **TRAVEL LONDON (WEST) LTD T/A Travel London, 301 CAMBERWELL NEW ROAD LONDON SE5 0TF**
Operating between HEATHROW CENTRAL BUS STATION and WALTON STATION OR ADDLESTONE given service number 555 effective from 31-Oct-2009. To amend Timetable.

Section 3.5 Cancellations Of Existing Services

- PK0001670/31 **CHALKWELL GARAGE & COACH HIRE LTD T/A CHALKWELL COACH HIRE, CHALKWELL GARAGE, 195 CHALKWELL ROAD , SITTINGBOURNE ME10 1BJ**
Operating between Leysdown and Lakeside given service number 330 effective from 22-Dec-2009.
- PF0006139/11 **H V RICHMOND LTD T/A RICHMONDS COACHES, THE GARAGE, HIGH ST, BARLEY ROYSTON SG8 8JA**
Operating between HERTFORDSHIRE BARLEY RICHMOND'S GARAGE and HERTFORDSHIRE STEVENAGE ROARING MEG given service number 796 effective from 18-Dec-2009.

Section 3.6 Cancellations Of Existing Services Granted Under Short Notice

No Entries



Section 4

TRAFFIC REGULATION CONDITIONS

Section 4.1 Requests

Section 4.2 Determinations



Section 5

Section 5.1 Notice Of Public Inquiries To Be Held

Note: Anyone wishing to attend a Public Inquiry is advised to contact the office on this number 01323 452421, the day before the Inquiry, to avoid unnecessary travel should the Inquiry be adjourned for any reason.

A transcript of the taped proceedings of Public Inquiries (either in full or in part) may be ordered from the Traffic Area Office Compliance Unit. The cost of the transcript varies according to demand and size of content and the Compliance Unit will be able to advise on the scale of charges when an order is placed.

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No Entries

Section 5.2 Decisions Taken At Public Inquiries

Public Inquiry (39018) held at Court Room(SEMTA), Ivy House, Ivy Terrace, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 4QT on 26 October 2009 at 15:30(Previous Publication:(2184))PK1082223 SN
AIR FENELLA SYSTEMS LTD T/A AIR FENELLA
Director(s): JASVINDER SINGH REHNCY, NIRAY TRIVEDI, CHARLES BULWA.
40 PERIMEADE ROAD, PERIVALE , GREENFORD UB6 7AT

PSV - S14 - Application granted as applied for

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Section 6

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No Entries

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Legal Requirements at Sporting Events

Carriage of passengers to designated Sporting Events Voluntary Guidelines - England and Wales

For some years the coach industry has complied with a voluntary code of practice whereby operators taking passengers to a designated sporting event meet certain guidelines set by the police. This has worked very well, and it has seldom been necessary for a Traffic Commissioner to take any further action against an operator who has contravened the guidelines. Nevertheless the police in England and Wales are concerned that football hooliganism is again on the increase, and have asked the Commissioners to remind PSV operators of the guidelines. This has been done in conjunction with the Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT).

PSV operators are reminded of the terms of Section 1 (1) of the Sporting Events (Control of Alcohol) Act 1985, as amended by the Public Order Act 1986, which prohibits the carriage of alcohol on a PSV that is being used for the principal purpose of carrying passengers for the whole or part of a journey to or from a designated sporting event.

A "designated sporting event" generally means any association football match, whether national or international. The full legal definition of "designated sporting events" may be found in The Sports Grounds and Sporting Events (Designation Order) 1985, as amended by SI 1520/1987.

It is an offence for an operator of a PSV (or his servant or agent) knowingly to cause or permit the carriage of alcohol on journeys to which these Regulations apply.

In addition to these statutory provisions, the police have asked that operators comply with the following guidelines when conveying passengers to such sporting events:

a. Coach operators taking bookings from groups of supporters are to notify the police liaison officer at the destination, at least 48 hours before the event, of the number of supporters expected to travel and the number of coaches booked.

b. Coaches are not to stop within 10 miles of the venue either en route to or on departure from the event unless prior agreement is obtained from the local police liaison officer.

c. Unless directed otherwise by a police officer, coaches may stop at premises where intoxicating liquor is sold only if it is sold ancillary to a substantial meal. Prior agreement for meal stops where alcohol is available should be sought from the operator's local police liaison officer.

d. Coaches are to arrive at the venue no earlier than two hours before and not later than one hour before the scheduled start of the game, unless otherwise directed by police.

e. Coaches are not to set down or uplift passengers at any unauthorised locations without prior permission of the police.

f. Coaches must leave the venue within one hour of the finish of the event.

g. Intoxicating liquor must not be carried on coaches travelling to or from designated grounds. Operators will draw hirers' attention to the requirements of the law, and drivers shall, as far as reasonably practical, supervise boarding passengers and check that they are not obviously carrying intoxicating alcohol. Drivers will not be expected to carry out baggage or body searches, nor will they be expected to confiscate alcohol or to remove passengers without police assistance.

Operators are asked to comply with these guidelines on a voluntary basis. However if the police inform the Traffic Commissioner of any failure on an operator's part to comply with them the Commissioner will consider applying them as a formal condition to that operator's licence under the authority of Section 16(3) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981.