## DC DRESS CODE

The purpose of a driver's dress code is to seek a standard of dress that provides a positive image of the hackney carriage and private hire trade in Hartlepool to enhance a professional image of licensed drivers and ensure that public and driver safety is not compromised.

## Acceptable Standard of Dress

DC1 As a minimum standard, males should wear either long legged trousers or knee length shorts and T shirts which have a full body and short sleeves. Females should wear either long legged trousers, knee length shorts, skirt or dress and T shirts which have a full body and short sleeves.

## Footwear

DC2 Footwear for all drivers shall be appropriate for safe driving.

## **Unacceptable Standard of Dress**

- DC3 The following are deemed to be unacceptable:
  - a) Clothing that is not kept in a clean condition, free from holes and rips
  - b) Words or graphics on any clothing that is of an offensive or suggestive nature or which might offend
  - c) Sportswear (e.g. football/rugby kits, track suits, beach wear etc.)
  - d) Sandals with no heel straps, flip flops or any other form of footwear not secured around the heel
  - e) Drivers not having either the top or bottom half of their bodies suitably clothed
  - f) No headwear, other than for religious purposes, or other items which partially or completely cover the head or face or identity of the licensed driver e.g. baseball caps and hoodies shall be word other than when a uniform is worn for a special occasion.