Appendix 1

Access to all passenger seats must be unimpeded. Clear access and egress to all passenger seats must be provided, without the need to tip forward, fold or remove seats. This will apply to all new and replacement vehicles licensed after this policy comes into force. If a seat has to be removed to comply with this requirement, it shall be removed from the nearside of the vehicle, from the row of seats, which are situated behind the front passenger seat.

	Hackney Proprietors (39)	Hackney Drivers (15)	Private Hire Proprietors (29)	Private Hire Drivers (12)	Private Hire operators (3)
Agree	8	12	12	5	0
Disagree	28	3	14	7	3
Don't Know	3	0	3	0	0

Consultation forms issued = 749

Consultation forms returned = 98

Represents a 13% response

58 of those responding disagree with this policy. This represents 59% of those that responded, but only 7.8% of the trade as a whole.