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# TAXI LICENCE FEE REDUCED

Back in November 2008, the mid year inspection requirement was removed by the PCO. Now a new licence fee has been announced. From 19th January 2009, the new annual taxi licence fee will be £160. A refund of £18 will be made to all vehicle owners who paid a licence fee of £178 and who, since 6 November 2008, have not been required to present their vehicle for a mid-year inspection.

The PCO state that it will automatically process all those cases where owners are entitled to a refund, so it is not necessary to apply for a refund.

Len Simkins, Head of Strategy and Planning at the PCO, says: "We will aim to complete the refund process within a period of 6 weeks from the date of PCO Notice 01/09. Vehicle owners are, therefore, requested not to contact the PCO until after that 6 week period has elapsed, and only in those cases where they consider that they are entitled to, but have not received, a refund." The Notice was issued on 15th January 2009.

For clarification, owners can call the PCO Contract management Team on 020 7126 1638 or email [pco\\_taxicontract@pco.org.uk](mailto:pco_taxicontract@pco.org.uk)




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