



## **English Language Requirements – examples from other Licensing Authorities**

### Bedford Borough Council

A basic English language assessment, delivered by a Council officer, to determine that applicants have a basic level of proficiency in oral and written English and the ability to accurately give change in sterling. All new applicants have to take the assessment.

The assessment includes questions about the applicant, charging fares and change to be given, identifying street names and understanding of licensing conditions.

### Bournemouth Borough Council

Provide evidence of an acceptable NQF Level 2 English literacy qualification or to have completed a BTEC/NVQ qualification in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire.

### Leeds City Council

All applicants must undertake an English comprehension test. The test is set and run by a recognised training organisation and covers the following key areas:

- Speaking clearly: giving information
- Reading signs and documents
- Writing: transferring information
- Dealing with fares

### Leicester City Council

Applicants not born in the UK have to undertake an English assessment that meets the requirement of NQF Entry Level 3. The assessment is delivered by a college of further education independent of the licensing authority.

### Manchester City Council

Assessment of basic English and maths including verbal questions and responses; reading and comprehending written English; and mental arithmetic. Currently delivered in-house but MCC are looking to find an external partner to deliver it.