

**LONDON NIGHT-TIME AND WEEKEND LORRY CONTROL SCHEME  
CONDITIONS NORMALLY CONSIDERED FOR ATTACHMENT TO A PERMIT**

**Notes:**

- A. In these Conditions unless stated otherwise the word "applicant" shall be taken to mean both the applicant for the Permit and, if different from the applicant, the person to whom the permit is issued and the driver of a vehicle in respect of which a permit is issued.
- B. The Permit is valid for the areas of the London Boroughs participating in the Scheme as indicated on the current ALG, Transport and Environment Committee, Lorry Control map. This area is referred to as the "Permit Area".
- C. A "restricted road" is a road to which the Traffic Order applies and an "excluded road" is a road in the Permit Area to which the Traffic Order restrictions do not apply.
- D. Failure to comply with the Conditions may result in the revocation or suspension of the Permit.
1. The applicant shall operate the vehicle for which the Permit is issued in compliance with the measures set out in these Conditions.
2. The applicant shall carry out modifications to the vehicle for which the Permit is issued so as to comply with the measures set out in the Schedule accompanying the permit. The modifications shall be completed within the period specified in the Schedule. The applicant shall ensure that all such modifications, and any existing features fitted to the vehicle which reduces its environmental impact are kept in proper working order at all times.
3. The Permit is issued to the applicant for the specified vehicle and is not transferable. The Permit will automatically cease to be valid if the vehicle ceases to be under the control of the applicant and it shall then be the duty of the applicant to return the Permit forthwith to the Lorry Control Unit or to return a written statement certifying that this has been destroyed.
4. The applicant and the driver of the vehicle shall maximise the use of the M25 or other suitable routes outside the Permit Area as an alternative to using roads in the Permit Area. The applicant and the driver of the vehicle shall ensure that the vehicle shall not be driven on restricted roads in the Permit Area during the controlled period, unless either:
- (a) a valid Permit is displayed in the vehicle; and
- (b) it is undertaking a necessary journey in the Permit Area; and
- (i) the next planned stopping place is in the Permit Area where the vehicle is to be loaded or unloaded, or repaired or parked either in a vehicle off-street parking place or on another parking place specifically designated as a commercial vehicle parking place by a Highway Authority;
- (ii) the previous planned stopping place was in the Permit Area where the vehicle was loaded or unloaded or repaired or was parked either in a vehicle off-street parking place or on another parking place specifically designated as a commercial vehicle parking place by a Highway Authority; or
- (c) the vehicle is being driven on the restricted road because of a local temporary traffic regulation order or diversion or at the direction of a police officer in uniform.
5. The applicant and driver of the vehicle shall ensure that, during the controlled period, if it be essential that the vehicle uses roads in the Permit Area, the vehicle minimises the use of restricted roads **unless a route is specifically agreed with ALG, Transport and Environment Committee**. To this end, the applicant and the driver of the vehicle shall ensure that the vehicle:
- (a) does not leave the excluded roads until as near as practicable to the planned stopping place in the Permit Area; and

- (b) takes the shortest practicable route from a planned stopping place either to the nearest excluded road or to the next planned stopping place if this results in the vehicle being driven a shorter distance in total on restricted roads.

**If a specific route has been agreed with the ALG, Transport and Environment Committee, the applicant and the driver shall ensure that the vehicle follows the agreed route.**

6. The applicant shall ensure that the driver using the vehicle in the Permit Area during the controlled period has with him a document or documents showing clearly the planned stopping places within the Permit Area. These shall be shown by the driver to any authorised officer of the Committee on request. For a period of four weeks after a vehicle journey is made the applicant must be capable of substantiating the need for a vehicle being on a restricted road at any particular time and place. Documentary evidence shall be produced on request to any authorised officer of the Committee to substantiate such a vehicle journey.
7. The Lorry Control Unit shall be notified by the applicant of any material change in operating practices specified on the application form or in any accompanying correspondence which could affect the conditions under which the Permit is issued.
8. To eliminate avoidable noise, and reduce avoidable environmental intrusion the applicant and driver shall, so far as is practicable, ensure that all loads and equipment carried in or on the vehicle are firmly secured (and if necessary padded) and the vehicle parts and equipment including chains, tailgates and doors are maintained in good order and properly used.
9. Every practical effort shall be made by the applicant and driver to minimise the noise of refrigeration equipment particularly when the vehicle is parked. Half power switching shall be used as much as possible.
10. By the date specified in the Schedule the applicant shall reduce the noise emission from the vehicle as specified in the Schedule.

(Note: requirements for vehicle noise emission reduction will be guided by the current EU standard from time to time).

11. By the date specified in the Schedule the applicant shall minimise the noise emitted by the air brake system by fitting equipment, or its equivalent, specified in the Schedule.
12. The applicant shall implement driver training procedures and fleet management techniques which will have the effect of achieving significant environmental improvements.

(Note: Guidance Note No.2 gives guidance on some measures that have been identified as contributing to improved performance).

13. The applicant and the driver of the vehicle shall co-operate in assisting any authorised officer of the Committee in the reasonable exercise of his/her duties in checking whether the vehicle has been modified and/or is being operated in accordance with the Conditions.
14. In the event that any Permit is revoked or suspended the Permit shall be returned forthwith by the applicant to the Lorry Control Unit or a written statement returned certifying that it has been destroyed.
15. The applicant shall pay within the time limit specified the appropriate fee required for the issue of a Permit.
16. An applicant shall bring to the attention of the driver of the vehicle all Conditions subject to which a permit has been issued. However, nothing in the preceding part of this Condition is intended to remove the applicant's responsibility for compliance with Conditions.

These Conditions were adopted by the ALG, Transport and Environment Committee, formerly known as the Transport Committee for London, on 31/3/2000. They apply to all permits issued after that date.