

Report To: General Purposes Board **Date:** 12 January 2011
Report By: Head of Legal & Democratic Services **Report No:** LA/634/11
Contact Officer: Howard McNeilly **Contact No:** 01475 712117
Subject: Request for Approval of Peugeot Premier Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask the Board to consider a request from Inverclyde Taxis for approval of the Peugeot Premier as an authorised Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 Inverclyde Taxis have requested that the Board considers approving the Peugeot Premier as an authorised Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle. A copy of the letter from Inverclyde Taxis forms Appendix 1 to this report.

2.2 A letter has also been received from Allied Vehicles, the suppliers of the Peugeot Premier, requesting that the Board considers appraising the Peugeot Premier as a Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle. A copy of the letter from Allied Vehicles forms Appendix 2 to this report.

2.3 A brochure of the Peugeot Premier vehicle is attached to this report as Appendix 3.

2.4 The Head of Environmental & Commercial Services has carried out an inspection of the Peugeot Premier vehicle. The vehicle generally complies with the Council's specifications. However, the current vehicle specification conditions state that vehicles must have 16 cubic feet of luggage space. When a wheelchair passenger is being carried in the vehicle, the vehicle would have no separate luggage compartment and therefore would not comply with the requirement to have 16 cubic feet of luggage space. In addition, as the luggage compartment would not be separated from the passenger compartment, any luggage or shopping being carried by the vehicle could be thrown into the passenger compartment if the vehicle were to be involved in an accident. It is the recommendation of the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services that the Peugeot Premier should not be approved as an authorised Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle to be used as a taxi.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 It is recommended that the Board considers the request from Inverclyde Taxis for approval of the Peugeot Premier as an authorised Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle.

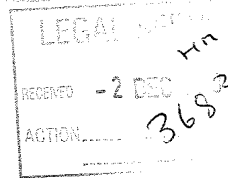
Howard McNeilly
Legal Services Manager



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30th November 2010

Howard McNeilly
Head of Legal and Administration
Inverclyde Council
Legal & Administration Services
Municipal Buildings
Greenock
PA15 1LX



Dear Howard,

Re: Peugeot Premier Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle

With reference to the above subject, as you are no doubt aware, there are a number of factors that are currently having a significant detrimental effect on an operator's ability to meet their financial commitments, which is becoming a cause for concern, as this may result in financial ruin for operators in the current economic climate.

Commercially, market forces (i.e. increased fuel, insurance, food, utilities & repair costs, credit restrictions, etc) are dictating disturbing trends, which has resulted in a significant increase in an operators cost per mile (example running costs per mile enclosed), particularly WAV's, whilst job volumes corroborate other public transport trends with declining numbers.

We would therefore respectfully request that the General Purposes Board give due consideration to approving the Peugeot Premier WAV as an authorised Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle. The Peugeot Premier offers many benefits for Operators / Customers alike, such as enhanced comfort, enhanced fuel economy due to the 1.6 90bhp HDi engine resulting in a lower cost per mile, reduced road fund licence and emissions, etc.

Assuring you of our best attention at all times.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of Inverclyde Taxis Ltd


Henry Glasgow
Managing Director

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Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Costs

Vehicle Type	No. of Passengers	Vehicle Cost Inc. VAT	Deposit 10%	Balance to be Financed	Monthly Repayment 6%	Cost of Fuel Per Gallon	Av Miles Per Gallon	Running Cost Per Mile
Skoda Octavia	4	12,750.00	1,275.00	11,475.00	296.44	5.55	36	0.15
Peugeot E7	6	27,500.00	2,750.00	24,750.00	639.38	5.55	23	0.24
Mercedes Vito	7/8	24,700.00	2,470.00	22,230.00	574.28	5.55	22	0.25
Renault Trafic	7/8	20,500.00	2,050.00	18,450.00	476.63	5.55	23	0.24
VW Transporter	7/8	25,200.00	2,520.00	22,680.00	585.90	5.55	24	0.23
Peugeot Premier	4	15,995.00	1,599.50	14,395.50	371.88	5.55	38	0.15
Citroen Multispace	4	15,500.00	1,550.00	13,950.00	360.38	5.55	39	0.14
VW Caddy Maxi	4	22,000.00	2,200.00	19,800.00	511.50	5.55	34	0.16

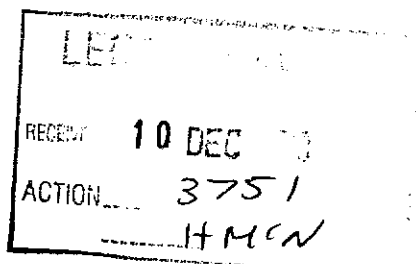
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Inverclyde Taxis

Allied Vehicles

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Mr. Howard Mc Neilly,
Licensing Solicitor,
Inverclyde Council
Municipal Buildings,
Clyde Square,
Greenock
PA15 1LY.

6/12/10

Dear Sir,

Re: Allied Vehicles Peugeot Premier

We are applying to license the Peugeot Premier as a hackney carriage in Inverclyde and, in connection with that application, request that Inverclyde's licensing policy be amended to enable this model of taxi to be licensed.

The Peugeot Premier is a fully featured wheelchair accessible taxi of modern design and engineering. It incorporates all necessary taxi features and offers safety and environmental benefits..

The Peugeot Partner is purpose built by Allied Vehicles, in association with Peugeot, and the final assembly is completed at our manufacturing facility in Glasgow. The completed vehicle carries full European Community Whole Vehicle Type Approval Special Purpose which is the "Gold Standard" in certification of motor vehicle safety and environmental performance.

We are pleased to enclose a Premier brochure and a copy of our certificate of "Whole Vehicle Type Approval".

We are aware that the Premier does not comply with Inverclyde's current taxi specification; the current specification and policy have been in place, substantially unchanged, for a considerable number of years.



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At the time of adoption of the current policy wheelchair accessible alternative taxis like the Premier did not exist.

The Premier has now been developed to offer superior access, comfort and ride quality to all (but in particular mobility impaired) passengers.

The Premier also offers lower costs, greater fuel efficiency and better environmental performance, for the benefit of operators, passengers and residents of Inverclyde.

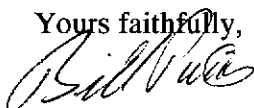
The Peugeot Premier is currently licensed by many councils, including, Aberdeen, Dundee, Renfrew, Newcastle, Sunderland, Leeds, Falkirk, Cardiff, Cherwell, York, Durham and Bradford

In closing I would request that, when the committee meet to consider this application, I may have the opportunity to address the members to present the Premier, and to offer to answer any questions which may arise.

I shall, of course, be pleased to offer any further help or information which you may require, and look forward to hearing from you further as this matter progresses.

Meanwhile, should you wish to contact me by telephone my numbers are;
0141 336 3211
Mobile No. 07966516250

Yours faithfully,



Bill Parris,
National Operations Manager,



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 nábřeží Ludvíka Svobody 12
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CERTIFIKÁT ES SCHVÁLENÍ TYPU / EC TYPE-APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

Sdělení o: ⁽¹⁾Communication concerning the: ⁽¹⁾

- ES schválení typu
- EC type-approval
- rozšíření ES schválení typu
- extension of EC type-approval
- odmítnutí ES schválení typu
- refusal of EC type-approval
- odejmutí ES schválení typu
- withdrawal of EC type-approval

typu: ⁽¹⁾of a type of: ⁽¹⁾

- úplného vozidla
- complete vehicle
- dokončeného vozidla
- completed vehicle
- nedokončeného vozidla
- incomplete vehicle
- vozidla s úplnými i nedokončenými variantami
- vehicle with complete and incomplete variants
- vozidla s dokončenými i nedokončenými variantami
- vehicle with completed and incomplete variants



z hlediska směrnice 2007/46/ES naposledy pozměněné nařízením Komise (ES) č. 661/2009
with regard to Directive 2007/46/EC
as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 661/2009
(schvalování typu motorových vozidel / type-approval of motor vehicles)

Číslo ES schválení typu:

EC type-approval number:

e8*2007/46*0005*00

Důvod rozšíření:

Reason for extension:

N/A

ČÁST I / SECTION I

- 0.1 Značka (obchodní název výrobce):
 Make (trade name of manufacturer): API CZ
- 0.2 Typ:
 Type: 7*****
- 0.2.1 Obchodní název (názvy): ⁽²⁾
 Commercial name(s): ⁽²⁾ Peugeot Partner API Horizon S
 Horizon Urban Premier SE 90
 Horizon Urban AC Premier S A/C
 Horizon S AC Premier S
- 0.3 Způsob označení typu, je-li na vozidle vyznačen:
 Means of identification of type, if marked on the
 vehicle: 4. místo ve VIN kódu a výrobní číslo API CZ
 Position of the VIN code and serial
 number of API CZ
- 0.3.1 Umístění tohoto označení:
 Location of that marking: Ve VIN, na štítku výrobce
 a na identifikačním štítku na rampě
 At the VIN as well as on the
 manufacturer's plate and on the
 identification plate on the ramp
- 0.4 Kategorie vozidla:
 Category of vehicle: M1

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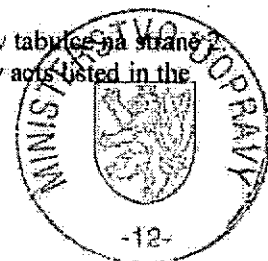
- 0.5 Jméno a adresa výrobce úplného vozidla ⁽¹⁾:
Name and address of manufacturer
of the complete vehicle ⁽¹⁾: N/A
- Jméno a adresa výrobce základního vozidla ⁽¹⁾:
Name and address of manufacturer
of the base vehicle ⁽¹⁾: **Automobiles PEUGEOT**
75, avenue de la Grande Armée
F-75116 Paris, France
- Jméno a adresa výrobce posledního stupně výroby
nedokončeného vozidla ⁽¹⁾:
Name and address of manufacturer
of the latest built stage of the incomplete vehicle ⁽¹⁾: N/A
- Jméno a adresa výrobce dokončeného vozidla ⁽¹⁾:
Name and address of manufacturer
of the completed vehicle ⁽¹⁾: **API CZ s.r.o.**
Slapy 136
391 76 Slapy u Tábora
Czech Republic
- 0.8 Jméno a adresa montážního závodu (závodů):
Name(s) and address(es) of assembly plant(s): **API CZ s.r.o.**
Slapy 136
391 76 Slapy u Tábora
Czech Republic
- Allied Vehicles Ltd.**
230 Balmore Road
G22 6LJ Glasgow
United Kingdom
- 0.9 Jméno a adresa zástupce výrobce (pokud existuje):
Name and address of the manufacturer's
representative (if any): N/A

ČÁST II / SECTION II

Níže podepsaný tímto osvědčuje správnost výrobcova popisu v připojeném informačním dokumentu o výše uvedeném vozidle (vozidlech) (vzorcích vybraných ES schvalovacím orgánem a předložených výrobcem jako prototypy typu vozidla) a použitelnost připojených výsledků zkoušek pro tento typ vozidla.

The undersigned hereby certifies the accuracy of the manufacturer's description in the attached information document of the vehicle(s) described above ((a) sample(s) having been selected by the EC type-approval authority and submitted by the manufacturer as prototype(s) of the vehicle type) and that the attached test results are applicable to the vehicle type.

1. Pro úplná a dokončená vozidla/varianty ⁽¹⁾:
For complete and completed vehicles/variants ⁽¹⁾:
Typ vozidla **splňuje /nesplňuje** ⁽¹⁾ technické požadavky všech souvisejících regulačních aktů uvedených v příloze IV a příloze XI ⁽¹⁾ směrnice 2007/46/ES.
The vehicle type **meets /does not meet** ⁽¹⁾ the technical requirements of all the relevant regulatory acts as prescribed in Annex IV and Annex XI ⁽¹⁾ to Directive 2007/46/EC.
2. Pro nedokončená vozidla/varianty ⁽¹⁾:
For incomplete vehicles/variants ⁽¹⁾: N/A
Typ vozidla **splňuje/nesplňuje** ⁽¹⁾ technické požadavky regulačních aktů uvedených v tabulce na straně 2.
The vehicle type **meets/does not meet** ⁽¹⁾ the technical requirements of the regulatory acts listed in the table on side 2.



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3. ~~Schválení typu uděleno / odmítnuto / odejmuto ⁽¹⁾.~~
 The approval is granted / refused / withdrawn ⁽¹⁾.

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4. ~~Schválení typu uděleno podle článku 20 a jeho platnost je proto omezena do ⁽²⁾.~~
 The approval is granted in accordance with Article 20 and the validity of the approval is thus limited to ⁽²⁾.



Praha

Josef Pokorný

1 March 2010

(Místo)
(Place)(Podpis)
(Signature)(Datum)
(Date)

Přílohy: Schvalovací dokumentace
 Attachments: Information folder

Informační složka výrobce
 Manufacturer's information folder

Výsledky zkoušek
 Test results

Viz technický protokol 121103 – 09 – TAC
 See Technical Report 121103 – 09 – TAC

Jméno (jména) a podpisový vzor (vzory) osob oprávněných podepisovat prohlášení o shodě a jejich postavení v podniku
 Name(s) and specimen(s) of the signature(s) of the person(s) authorised to sign certificates of conformity and a statement of their position in the company

Seznam regulačních aktů, jimž podléhá daný typ vozidla
 List of regulatory acts to which the type of vehicle complies

Viz technický protokol 121103 – 09 – TAC
 See Technical Report 121103 – 09 – TAC

¹⁾ ~~Nehodící se škrtněte / Strike out what does not apply~~

²⁾ ~~Není-li k dispozici v době udělení schválení typu, vyplní se tento bod nejpozději při uvedení vozidla na trh. If not available at the time of granting the type-approval, this item shall be completed at the latest when the vehicle is introduced on the market.~~

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EC VEHICLE TYPE-APPROVAL CERTIFICATE, side 2

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Toto ES schválení typu, pokud se vztahuje na neúplná nebo na dokončená vozidla nebo varianty, je podloženo následujícím schválením (schváleními) typu pro neúplná vozidla:
 This EC type-approval is, where incomplete and completed vehicles or variants are concerned, based on the approval(s) for incomplete vehicles listed below:

Stupeň 1: Výrobce základního vozidla: **Automobiles PEUGEOT**
 Stage 1: Manufacturer of the base vehicle: **75, avenue de la Grande Armée
 F-75116 Paris, France**

ES schválení typu č.: **e2*2001/116*0365*06**
 EC type-approval number:

Datum: **16 November 2009**
 Dated:

Použitelné pro: typ / varianta: **7JNFR*, 7JNFU*, 7J9HT*, 7J9HX***
 Applicable to: type / variant: **7PNFR*, 7PNFU*, 7P9HT*, 7P9HX***

Stupeň 2: Výrobce / Stage 2: Manufacturer: **N/A**

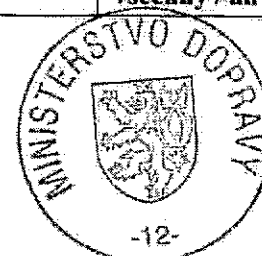
Stupeň 3: Výrobce / Stage 3: Manufacturer: **N/A**

V případě, že schválení typu zahrnuje jednu nebo více nedokončených variant, uveďte soupis variant, které jsou úplně nebo dokončené. N/A
 In the case where the approval includes one or more incomplete variants, list those variants which are complete or completed.

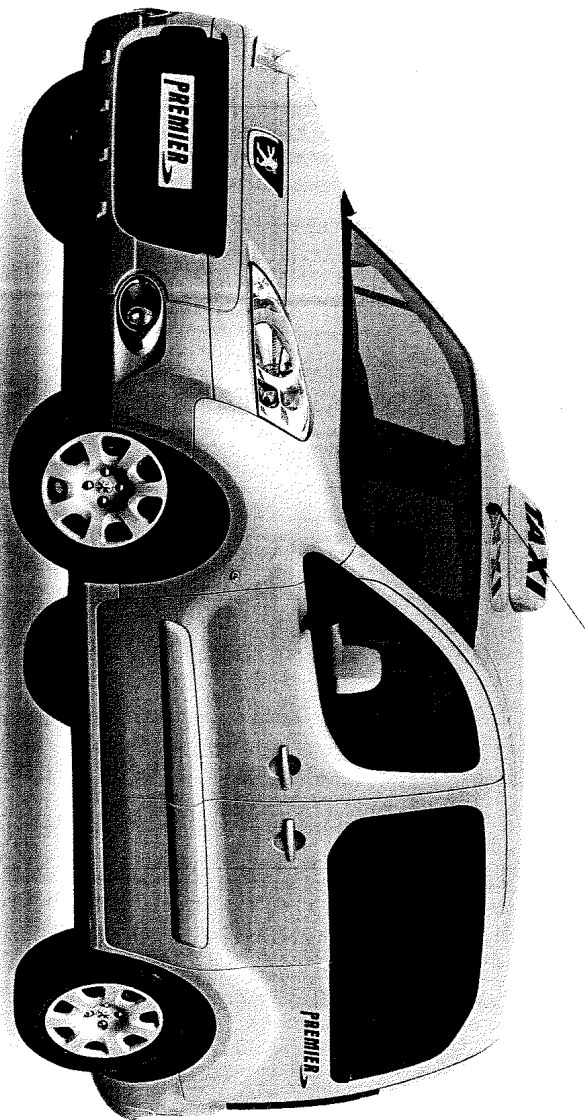
U vozidel zvláštního určení udělené výjimky nebo zvláštní ustanovení podle přílohy XI a výjimky udělené podle článku 20:
 In the case of special purpose vehicles, exemptions granted or special provisions applied pursuant to Annex XI and exemptions granted pursuant to Article 20:

Číslo bodu / Item number	Odkaz na regulační akt / Regulatory act reference	Druh schválení typu a podstata výjimky / Kind of approval and nature of exemption	Použitelné pro varianty / Applicable to variants
2	Směrnice 70/220/EHS / Directive 70/220/EEC	<p align="center">Výjimky a zvláštní ustanovení aplikované v souladu s dodatkem 3, přílohy XI směrnice 2007/46/ES Exemptions and special provisions applied in compliance with Appendix 3, Annex XI to Directive 2007/46/EC</p>	všechny / all
2a	Nariadení (ES) č. 715/2007 Regulation (EC) No 715/2007		všechny / all
3	Směrnice 70/221/EHS / Directive 70/221/EEC		všechny / all
15	Směrnice 74/408/EHS / Directive 74/408/EEC		všechny / all
16	Směrnice 74/483/EHS / Directive 74/483/EEC		všechny / all
19	Směrnice 76/115/EHS / Directive 76/115/EEC		všechny / all
39	Směrnice 80/1268/EHS / Directive 80/1268/EEC		všechny / all
44	Směrnice 92/21/EHS / Directive 92/21/EEC ¹⁾		všechny / all
53	Směrnice 96/79/ES / Directive 96/79/EC		všechny / all
54	Směrnice 96/27/ES / Directive 96/27/EC		všechny / all

¹⁾ Bylo posouzeno užití elektrického invalidního vozíku.
 Omezení kapacity pro přepravu cestujících: Viz informační složka výrobce.
 Use of the electric wheelchair was assessed.
 The limitation in the passenger capacity: See manufacturer's information folder.



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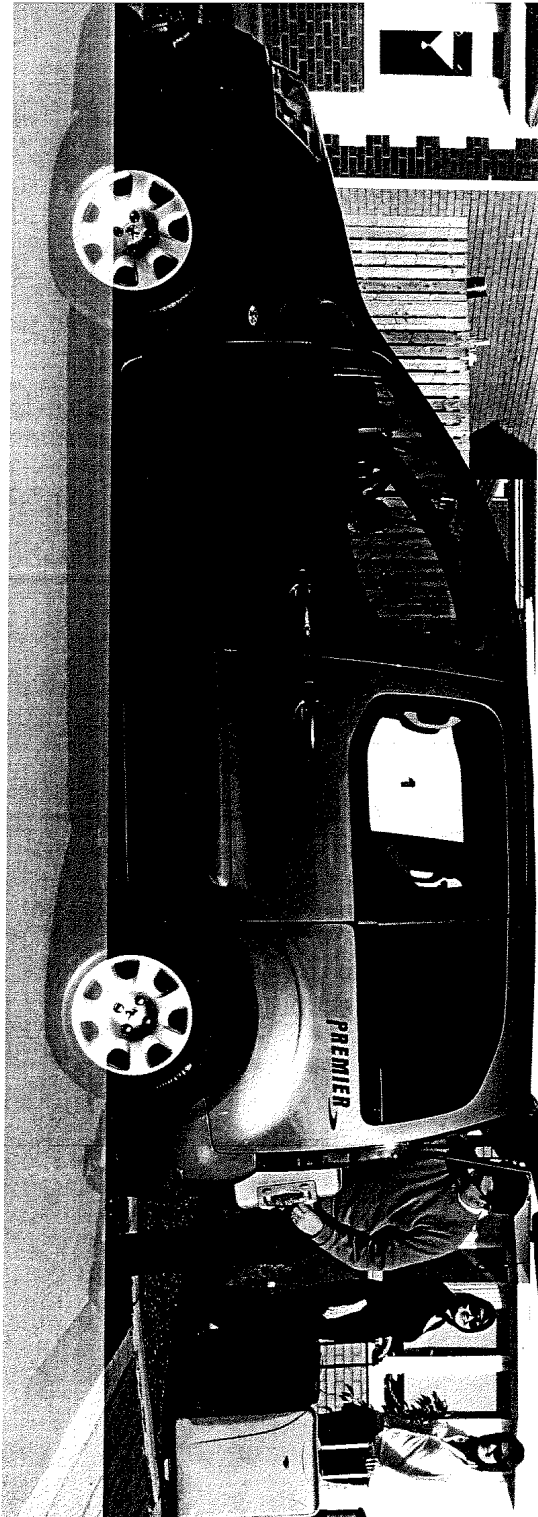


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- 05. Space & Accessibility
- 06. Technical Specification & Colour Choice
- 07. Features & Options

The Peugeot Premier™



Economy

Specially adapted from the Peugeot Partner, the all new Premier, available exclusively from Cab Direct, combines all you need in a modern day cab with truly great economy. Powered by Peugeot's economical HDI 90 diesel engine, the Premier boasts excellent fuel efficiency making it one of the most cost effective taxis on the market today. Combine this with Premier's low price tag and you're set to be impressed.

Versatility

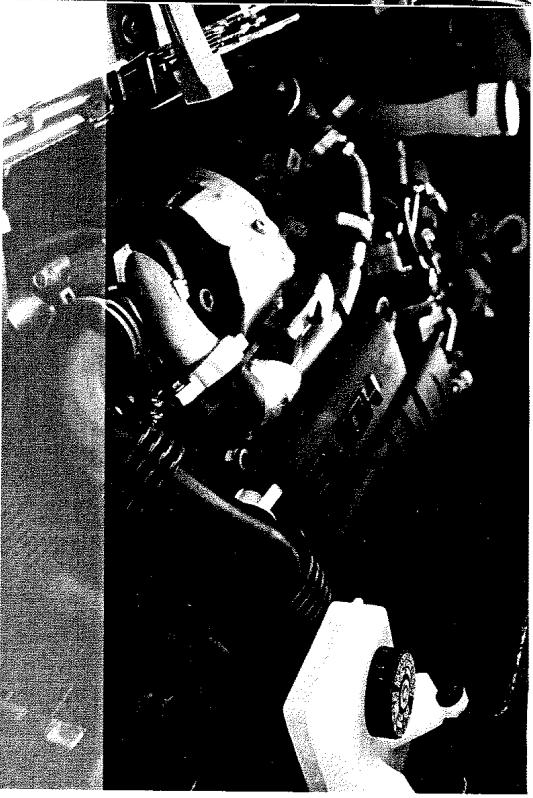
Where the Peugeot Premier excels is in its versatility. It makes superb use of space with numerous handy storage areas and the cargo load carrying is second to none thanks to Premier's new FlexFold™ ramp which folds flat to the floor, allowing you to make full use of the large luggage area. Premier accommodates wheelchair passenger, driver and up to two passengers or driver plus four passengers and baggage, allowing you to cater for every fare.

Comfort & Driveability



Comfort

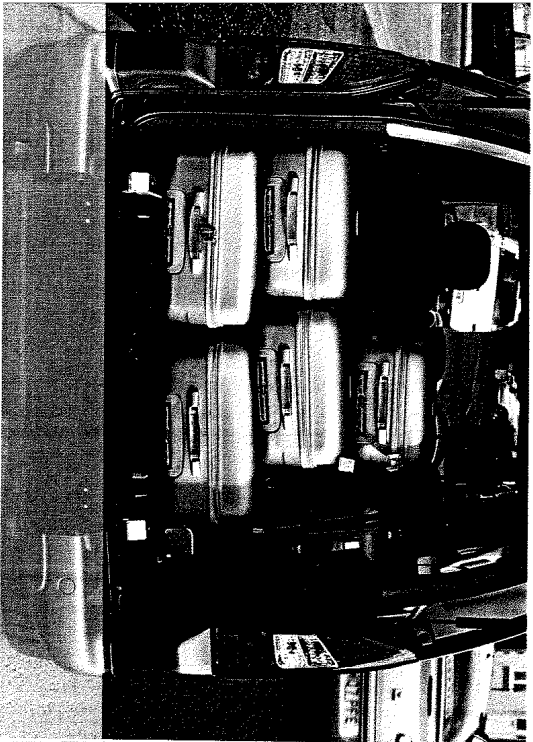
Comfort and convenience are high on the list of priorities for the modern day driver – thankfully the Peugeot Premier has both in abundance. Features such as the height adjustable driver's seat with armrest, radio/MP3 compatible CD player with remote controls, electric front windows and innovative storage solutions make the Premier a pleasure to drive.



Driveability

Quick and highly economical, Peugeot's innovative HDi 90 diesel engine uses an aluminium block to reduce weight and to help towards better weight distribution, ensuring you a fast response and superb poise on the road. Add ABS Brakes and Electronic Brake Distribution for safer stopping and you're in safe hands with the Premier. Plus, with effortless handling and maximum comfort for drivers and passengers alike you're sure to enjoy a relaxing trip every time.

Space & Accessibility



Bags of Space

Today's passengers often come with plenty of luggage. Thanks to Premier's huge load carrying capacity, space is set never to prove a problem again. Add to this Premier's roomy interior and both driver and passengers can travel in perfect comfort, with bags of space for all.

Wheelchair Access

The all new Peugeot Premier has been specially adapted to offer the wheelchair passenger unsurpassed comfort and safety. The vehicle features a lowered floor providing an easy ramp gradient and a lightweight one-piece folding rear ramp to assist wheelchair entry and exit. Once inside, the wheelchair passenger is secured into the vehicle using the four-point wheelchair restraint system and full lap and diagonal inertia seatbelts for maximum safety and security.

Technical Specification & Colour Choice

Engine	
Cubic capacity	1560
Max power (hp) @ rpm	90 (66) @ 4000
Max torque (lb ft (kNm) @ rpm)	138 (215) @ 1750
Fuel	Diesel
Wyes	
Size	205/65 R15
Fuel tank	
Capacity (litres)	60
Fuel Consumption	
Urban drive cycle MPG (litres/100km)	40.3 (7.0)
Extra urban drive cycle MPG (litres/100km)	56.4 (5.0)
Combined drive cycle MPG (litres/100km)	49.5 (5.7)
Brakes	
Ventilated front disc	✓
Rear drum	✓
Suspension	
Front	Pseudo-Macpherson with lower wishbone struts, coil springs & anti-roll bar
Rear	Rear deformable axle with coil springs and anti-roll bar

Transmission	
5 speed manual	✓
Performance (driver only)	
Max speed (mph)	100
Acceleration 0-62 mph (sec)	14.5
Dimensions (mm)	
Length	4380
Width - excluding door mirrors	1810
Height	1803
Wheelbase	2728
Front overhang	925
Rear overhang	727
Maximum wheelchair user height	1430
Maximum wheelchair user width	750
Maximum wheelchair user length	1300
Ramp width	720
Ramp length	1000
Weight (kg)	
Gross vehicle weight	3040
Keob weight	1407
Max. plated front axle	1160
Max. plated rear axle	950
Gross train weight	3040
Max. unbraked trailer weight	740
Max. braked trailer weight	1300
Max. tow ball weight	55

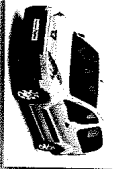
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Colour pattern for reference purposes only



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Silver White

Metallic optional



Black metallic



Silver metallic



Black metallic

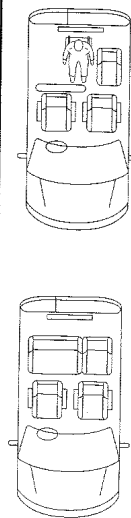
Features & Options



Model	S	SF
Taxi Features	1.6 HDI 90	1.6 HDI 90
Taxi sign	•	✓
Taxi meter	•	✓
Style Features		
Twin sliding side doors	✓	✓
One piece tailgate	✓	✓
Body coloured bumpers	✓	✓
Metallic paint	•	•
16" alloy wheels	•	•
Safety and Security		
ABS including EBA & EBFD	✓	✓
Front fog lights	✓	✓
Rear fog and reversing lights	✓	✓
Driver airbag	✓	✓
Front passenger airbag	✓	✓
3-point seat belts	✓	✓
Remote central locking and deadlocks	✓	✓
Comfort and Convenience		
Electrically adjustable, heated door mirrors	✓	✓
Variable power assisted steering	✓	✓
60/40 split folding rear seats	✓	✓
Height adjustable front head restraints	✓	✓
Electric front windows	✓	✓
Air conditioning	•	•
Height adjustable drivers seat	✓	✓
Reach adjustable steering wheel	✓	✓
Floor mats	✓	✓
Tom Tom sat nav	•	•
Audio		
Radio/MP3 compatible CD player with remote controls	✓	✓

SEATING OPTIONS

New Premier can accommodate driver, wheelchair passenger and two seated passengers or driver and four seated passengers.



Access features:

- New FlexFold™ ramp
- Lowered floor for optimum accessibility
- High quality wheelchair restraints
- Lap and diagonal seatbelts for seated wheelchair passengers

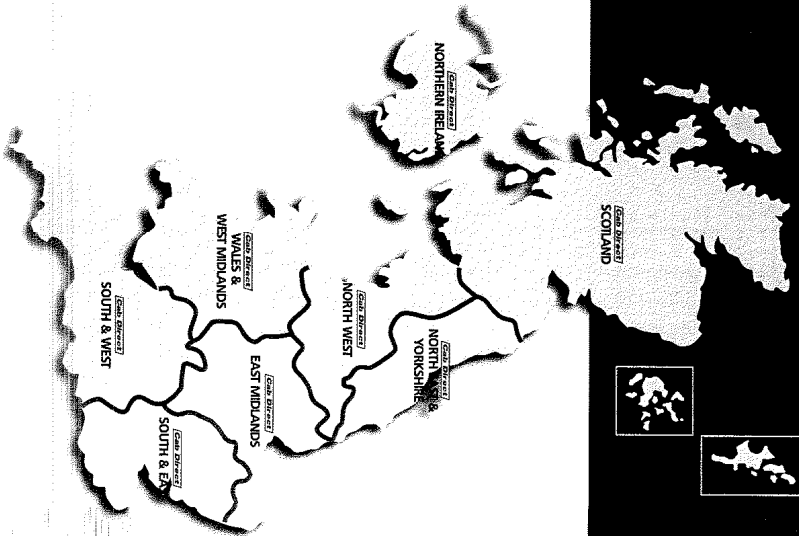
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