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## **Information Governance**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ06088

Thank you for your request for information relating to taxis Equality Act exemptions.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1. Could you please inform me how many current section 166 Equality Act Exemptions are held by Coventry taxi drivers?

91.

2. Can you please inform me what percentage of current Coventry black cabs this equates to?

10.6%

3. Could you please inform me how many were issued broken down by the following ranges –

2017 Jan-Jun 2018 Jul-Dec 2018 Then for each month up to and including July 2019

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act as we do not record the date of the exemption, only that they are exempt.

## 4. Can you please inform me of the process a driver must go through to get an exemption?

The driver is required to arrange for a General Practitioner to complete a form for a Group 2 Medical from the Taxi Licensing Office.

## 5. Can you please inform me if these exemptions are checked at any interval to see if they are still required?

Yes.

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Yours faithfully

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