## 46Vehicle, drivers' and operators' licences.

(1)Except as authorised by this Part of this Act—

(a)no person being the proprietor of any vehicle, not being a hackney carriage [F99] or London cab] in respect of which a vehicle licence is in force, shall use or permit the same to be used in a controlled district as a private hire vehicle without having for such a vehicle a current licence under section 48 of this Act;

(b)no person shall in a controlled district act as driver of any private hire vehicle without having a current licence under section 51 of this Act;

(c)no person being the proprietor of a private hire vehicle licensed under this Part of this Act shall employ as the driver thereof for the purpose of any hiring any person who does not have a current licence under the said section 51;

(d)no person shall in a controlled district operate any vehicle as a private hire vehicle without having a current licence under section 55 of this Act;

(e)no person licensed under the said section 55 shall in a controlled district operate any vehicle as a private hire vehicle—

(i)if for the vehicle a current licence under the said section 48 is not in force; or

(ii)if the driver does not have a current licence under the said section 51.

(2)If any person knowingly contravenes the provisions of this section, he shall be guilty of an offence.

## **Textual Amendments**

<u>F99</u>Words inserted by <u>Transport Act 1985 (c. 67, SIF 126)</u>, <u>s. 139(2)</u>, **Sch. 7 para. 17(1)** 

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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