

# Consultation on changes to bus registration in Scotland



## RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM

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<p><b>(b)</b> Where confidentiality is not requested, we will make your responses available to the public on the following basis</p> <p><i>Please tick ONE of the following boxes</i></p> <p>Yes, make my response, name and address all available <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>or</p> <p>Yes, make my response available, but not my name and address <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>or</p> <p>Yes, make my response and name available, but not my address <input type="checkbox"/></p>		
<p><b>(c)</b> The name and address of your organisation <b>will be</b> made available to the public (in the Scottish Government library and/or on the Transport Scotland web site).</p> <p>Are you content for your <b>response</b> to be made available?</p> <p><i>Please tick as appropriate</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>		
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## **CONSULTATION QUESTIONS**

**Question 1: do you agree with the proposal to extend the pre-registration notice period from 14 days to 28 days ?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 2: Do you agree with the proposal to replace the duty to inform the relevant authorities before making an application for registration with a duty to consult with the relevant authorities?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 3: Do you agree that relevant authorities should be encouraged through guidance to draw potential concerns about new registrations to the attention of the traffic Commissioner for Scotland and/or Transport Scotland?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 4a: Do you agree with the proposal to reduce the period of registration from 56 days to 42 days? What difficulties (if any) do you consider such a change might present and how might these be addressed?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 4b: An alternative option would be to reduce the registration period from 56 days to 42 days only where Electronic Bus Service Registration (EBSR) is used. Do you agree with this?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 5: Do you agree that we should require operators to detail within registered hourly frequency bands any services that are registered as frequent services?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 6: Do you agree that if the proposed changes set out above are adopted, they will improve the bus registration process in Scotland ?**

Yes  No

Comments

**Question 7: It is possible that much of what is proposed above could be achieved through Guidance and/or a Code of Conduct to facilitate engagement between operators and relevant authorities rather than changes to the legislation. Do you have any views on this?**

Yes  No

Legislation is needed to ensure operators know exactly what is expected of them. For example the number 10 bus which served our village of Law was removed without consultation with anyone.