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The city of Prague last week introduced new legislation for companies wishing to start carsharing schemes in the city.

Councillors drafted a document with 13 requirements, including that the operator must be a legal entity, that the car must be available 24 hours a day, and that the average age of the fleet must not be more than 4 years.

Other requirements state that the company must create a public registration and online booking system (including on mobile apps), that vehicles must comply with the Euro 5 emissions standard and the service must be available in at least 10 areas of Prague.

The city will allow carsharing scheme operators access to the city's blue zones - parking zones for residents - in 2018.

Until then, the document states, operators will need to prepare a functional system that will 'benefit society' and that allows easy access of the vehicles in paid parking zones.

'The requirements are handled in cooperation with all official carsharing companies operating on the territory of Prague. This document will also allow in the future other carsharing companies to operate the service without conflicts in the paid parking zones,' the city said.

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