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I would like to know how Uber can come into this country set up business without respect for the laws of this country.

To me laws are set in place for a reason otherwise the country would not run smoothly. **These laws are there to protect the population.**

Uber Driver are not licenced to operate, but they are still working how can this be if I break the law I am punished and not allowed to operate.

Taxi owner must have a Service Licence which are issued by the Department of Transport and in that licence they must have the taxi working 24 hrs a day 7 days a week.

Uber owner driver have no such requirement they just cherry pick meaning they start and finish when they feel like it.

Taxi owners must operate under a company such as Black and White or Yellow Cabs. These companies control and issue the jobs to the cars, they also maintain a strict control over the cleanliness of the cars and the behaviour of the drivers. **Uber has none of this.**

Taxi Drivers are upset because they have had to go through tests to obtain their licences and pay money for them, their backgrounds are checked both criminal and driving, because you do not want a murder or a rapist picking up your children or wife.

Uber driver just apply for an app from Uber and start driving there is no checks on the driver or vehicle or if so very little.

Taxi cannot be more than 6years old from date of manufacture or 8 yrs for luxury cars. These cars are inspected before they are put into commission by way of having a machinery inspection done on them at a department of Transport office. The taxi owner is required to have a machinery inspection done on these vehicles every 6 months so as to keep them in safe working order. The Department of Transport closely monitors the situation and audits are being performed.

Uber cars are not inspected and can be up to 10 years old.

The taxi companies as well as Department of Transport do regular checks on drivers and their cars so as to maintain a high standard of operation.

The price that the taxi are charging is on a meter which is controlled by the department of transport.

Uber has their own way of charging, which is not controlled by any government body.

I have been told that Uber has been issued with 1.7 million dollars in fines but I believe that this has not been paid, they have also been ordered to cease and desist but to date none of this has

happened. To me this looks as if the government doesn't care about the law or the people in this country.

I would like to see this government stand up and take control of the situation, to me the law is the law otherwise why do we have them.