



**FARE PRIZE:** West Belfast Taxi Association's Stephen Long and Vincent McIvor from Europa General Insurers help U105FM presenter Carolyn Stewart launch the Belfast Taxi Driver of the Year competition

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# Search is on for city's top taxi driver

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THEY might rely on Sat Nav instead of The Knowledge but Ulster cabbies have had to navigate some of the most troubled terrain in the world.

In recognition of their contribution the hunt for

Belfast's best taxi driver was launched yesterday.

Top prize is a credit crisis special of £1,000 in fuel.

Presenter Carolyn Stewart from sponsors U105 said: "Everyone knows that taxi drivers are some of our city's most colourful characters and we want them to take pride in the fact that they can be brilliant ambassadors for

Belfast.

"This competition, the first of its kind in Ireland, is designed to recognise and reward those drivers who provide world-class customer service.

"I would encourage taxi drivers across Belfast to make sure their taxis are in top nick for the competition."

The contest, run by Belfast

Chamber of Commerce, will run until December 12 and the winner and runner-up will be announced one week after it closes.

It's up to the public to nominate their favourite driver by filling in the forms available in Belfast City Centre Management offices.