Risks involved in Iight goods vehicles (LGVs) being used to carry passengers for reward



Is it illegal for an LGV to carry passengers for reward?

Yes, In accordance with the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap.374), LGVs may only be hired for the carriage of goods. It is illegal for an LGV to carry passengers for reward. Any LGV driver who commits that offence shall be prosecuted and is liable to a fine of \$5,000 and 3 months' imprisonment on a first conviction, and to a fine of \$10,000 and 6 months' imprisonment on a subsequent conviction.

Are LGVs a mode of passenger public transport?

No. Passengers should not use LGVs as a mode of passenger public transport. Wherever you want to go, you should not hire the service of an LGV even if you have some things to carry as long as you are able to carry such things yourself and travel by public transport.

Are passengers taking LGVs that carry them for reward running any risks?

Yes. In the event of an accident involving an LGV carrying passengers for reward, the third party insurance of the vehicle concerned may be invalidated. Being its passenger, you may lose your entitled compensation.

