







Information on toll requirements according to EURO emission categories for motor vehicles with a maximum permissible gross weight exceeding 3.5t from 1 Jan. 2010

Why is Austria introducing a toll tariff scheme based on EURO emission categories?

The implementation is based on the EU Eurovignette Directive, which requires a toll tariff system that distinguishes between EURO emission categories from 2010 onward. Toll collection in Austria is based on the *Bundesstraßen-Mautgesetz* (Austrian Federal Roads Toll Act) 2002 (Federal Law Gazette I No. 109/2002 as amended), the Toll Tariff Ordinance (Federal Law Gazette II No. 406/2002 as amended) and the Toll Ordinance that can be viewed under www.asfinag.at. In Austria the ordinance that aims at the ecologisation of toll will enter into force **on 1 Jan. 2010** and will apply to all motor vehicles with a maximum permissible gross weight that exceeds 3.5t.

What vehicles are subject to the Austrian toll tariff system based on EURO emission categories?

The toll tariff system based on emission categories will concern all motor vehicles with a maximum permissible gross weight exceeding 3.5t and will apply on all Austrian motorways and expressways.

What criteria are used as an assessment basis for the toll tariff scheme based on EURO emission categories?

The EURO emission category is included as an extra factor in the calculation of the charged toll. As previously, the amount of toll charged will still depend on the number of axles and the number of kilometres covered. On the special toll sections (A 9 Bosruck- and Gleinalmtunnel, A 10 Tauern- and Katschbergtunnel, A 11 Karawankentunnel, A 13 Brenner Autobahn and S 16 Arlberg Straßentunnel) an increased kilometre tariff will still apply and on the A 13 there will still be an increased nighttime tariff (see Toll Ordinance).

Tariff groups

There are three EURO emission category tariff groups (A, B and C), which are subject to annual adjustment to the harmonised Consumer Price Index, which is regulated by law. From 1 Jan. 2010 onward, HGVs with EURO emission categories EEV and EURO VI (Tariff Group A) will pay -10% less toll than they did with the previously applied basic tariff. HGVs with EURO emission category IV and V (Tariff Group B) will pay -4% less toll. HGVs with EURO emission categories 0 to III (Tariff Group C) – these are the ones with the highest pollutant emissions – will pay +10% more than they did previously.

The currently applicable tariffs are publicised under www.go-maut.at and www.asfinag.at and can be viewed at any time.

How do I register for a certain EURO emission category (tariff group)?

To declare your emission category, it is mandatory for you to visit a GO sales point (with the exception of motor vehicles with EURO emission categories 0 – III, Tariff Group C) since the emission category information has to be saved to the GO Box so that it can be taken into account whenever toll is debited. The declaration is therefore normally made by the driver and can be done at any manned or unmanned GO sales point (upon presentation of the GO Box). You will find a list of all GO sales points under www.go-maut.at.

How do I apply if it is my first contract?

Concluding a GO contract (both pre- and post-pay method) will continue to be possible at GO sales points and can be done in a matter of minutes. When creating a GO contract, the emission category can be fed into the system and saved to the GO Box at the customer's request. After registering for the GO toll system, the customer will receive a document referred to as **Vehicle Declaration**, which states the GO Box number, the licence number and the declared EURO emission category.

How do I declare the EURO emission category if a contract already exists?

Already existing GO contracts will remain valid and the GO Box need not be replaced.

IMPORTANT: By default, all GO Boxes are set to the EURO emission category I (Tariff Group C). It is possible to change the emission category setting at any time by presenting the GO Box at a GO sales point. After the emission category has been changed, the customer will receive a document called **Vehicle Declaration**, which states the GO Box number, the licence number and the declared EURO emission category.

From what date onward will the EURO emission category be relevant for the tariff?

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FAHRZEUGDEKLARATION

Kfz - Kennzeichen: Nationalität: GO - Box Nr.: PAN: Emissionsklasse: Datum/Uhrzeit: Sicherheitscode:

Bitte überprüfen Sie vor Fahrtantritt, ob die oben angeführte GO-Box in dem oben angeführter Kraftfahrzeug ordnungsgemäß montiert wurde. Die Fahrzeugdeklaration ist vom Kraftfahrzeuglenker während der Fahrt mitzuführen.

Durch jedwede Änderung der oben angeführten, registrierten Daten verliert die gegenständliche Fahrzeugdeklaration ihre Gültigkeit. Änderungen sind der ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH umgehend mitzuteilen.

Vehicle Declaration

Immediately after declaring the emission category at a GO sales point, the new emission category will be set in the GO Box. The toll tariff system based on emission categories will take effect from 1 Jan. 2010.

How is the EURO emission category proved?

To prove the emission category, please always use the **Application Form** that is available for download at www.go-maut.at. Depending on the country in which the ve-

hicle was registered, there are basically three types of documents, which are suited to give clear evidence of the EURO emission category: **Registration certificate**, **manufacturer's certificate (COP) or ECMT permit.** A single copy of the proof documents is sufficient. In any event, it is <u>mandatory</u> to add to the application a copy of the registration certificate or an equivalent certificate, which clearly indicates the registered keeper's data and the vehicle's licence number.

IMPORTANT: Please note that for any of the declared EURO emission categories that lead to a lowering of the toll tariff amount (EURO IV or better), it is absolutely necessary to provide proper evidence within the required deadlines. To provide evidence, the respective documents listed above (each in single copy) must be forwarded to ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH. There are four ways to do so:

I by uploading them to the SelfCare Portal at www.go-maut.at

scanned by e-mail to: info@asfinag.atby fax to: +43 (0) 50108 912 913

I by post to: ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH

attn. ASFINAG Service Center / Emission Categories

Am Europlatz 1 A-1120 Wien

You can provide evidence for the emission category either before or after making the declaration at the GO sales point, however ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH has to be in receipt of the relevant proof documents **no later than within 14 calendar days** after the day the emission category declaration was made at the GO sales point.

What else must be paid attention to?

Together with the introduction of the toll tariff system based on the EURO emission categories, the **obligation to co-operate** has been extended. Before starting a journey, **drivers** must always make sure that the proper GO Box is installed in their motor vehicle. The valid Vehicle Declaration can be used to check, specifically, the vehicle licence plate, the GO Box number and the declared EURO emission category.

Drivers have the additional duty to always carry the relevant **original proof documents with them in the motor vehicle**, which make it possible to assign the vehicle to a tariff group: Vehicle Declaration, registration certificate, manufacturer's certificate (COP) or ECMT permit.

Of course, there is plenty of detailed information about the toll tariff system based on the EURO emission categories available at www.go-maut.at, which you can download in a number of languages.

If you have any further questions on the subject of toll, our ASFINAG Service Center will be delighted to help you around the clock:

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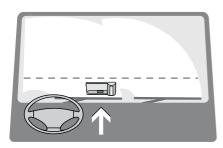
How are the declared EURO emission categories checked?

Immediately after their receipt, the transmitted proof documents are registered centrally by ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH and verified. Correct payment of distance-related toll is checked in the same way as before both by automatic or manual checks on motorways and expressways by ASFINAG Service and Supervision staff (toll supervisory officers).

If proper proof of qualified entitlement to Tariff Group A or B is not supplied within the stipulated period, the amount of substitute toll charged in the case of an advance declaration of emission category EURO IV (or higher) shall be EUR 110.00 for every 24 hours during which the vehicle used the road network requiring toll.

What has to be observed when using the GO Box?

The GO Box, the vehicle device needed to pay toll, has to be correctly fastened onto the inside of the windscreen. For detailed advice on how to mount the GO Box and how it works, please refer to the GO Box Guide, which you can obtain at every GO sales point. In addition, you can see an illustration of how to install the GO Box on the sticker on the GO Box and on the back of every document handed out to you at the GO sales point. Before starting every journey, the GO Box has to be checked



Correct mounting of the GO Box

if it is properly installed and if the vehicle category setting (EURO emission category and number of axles) is correct. The GO Box is bound to a licence plate and must therefore not be used in vehicles with deviating licence plates. Attention must also be paid to the fact that the GO Box is the property of ASFINAG and that it is therefore mandatory to return it once it is no longer needed.

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