

Low Emission Zone
Support Fund

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What is a low emission zone?

A low emission zone aims to improve air quality by restricting highly polluting road vehicles from entering a set area.

The Scottish Government is introducing low emission zones across Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen and Dundee in 2022.

Low emission zones set criteria based on vehicle Euro emission standards. In the future, vehicles that do not meet the minimum standard will face a penalty if they enter low emission zones. Vehicles that will be free to enter the zones without incurring a penalty are:

Fuel and category	Minimum standard
Petrol – All types	Euro 4/IV
Diesel – All types	Euro 6/VI
Motorcycles*	Euro 3
Electric vehicles	Most plug-in vehicles**

How does it impact me?

Non-compliant vehicles that will face fines are:

- Euro 3 or older petrol vehicles – this generally applies to those registered before 2006.
- Euro 5 or older diesel vehicles – this generally applies to those registered before September 2015.

By moving away from older and more polluting vehicles, you can save money whilst directly contributing to improving local air quality and reducing emissions.

What support is available?

Energy Saving Trust is offering households within 20km of the low emission zones a £2,000 grant towards the safe disposal of vehicles that do not meet the above standards. Your vehicle must be disposed at an authorised treatment facility.

Following the disposal of your vehicle, a further £1,000 is available through the Travel Better Fund.

£2,000
available

Find out more at
energysavingtrust.org.uk/LEZ-support



* Motorcycles are currently not eligible for funding.

** Plug-in vehicles include plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVs), extended-range electric vehicles (E-REVs) and battery electric vehicles (BEVs). Non plug-in or mild hybrids are considered under the petrol or diesel category.

Travel Better Fund

Following the disposal of your vehicle, Energy Saving Trust is offering a **£500** grant for you and another member of your household (£1,000 in total) towards sustainable travel options. Each claim must be for at least £80, and you can make up to two claims per person.

Options covered include active travel options, public transport, and share schemes:



New, recycled or second-hand bikes, cargo bikes and adapted cycles (including electric versions of these) – options must be purchased from a bike shop.



A limited range of bike accessories – options must be purchased from a bike shop.



Bike repair, servicing and maintenance costs – must be repaired at a bike shop



Multi-trip public transport tickets – season tickets, monthly tickets, flexi-tickets for bus or train travel.



Membership and driving credits for car clubs – must be purchased from a car club operating within your low emission zone.



Membership and cycling credits for city bike hire schemes – must be purchased from a bike hire scheme operating within your low emission zone.

Who is eligible?



To be eligible for the Low Emission Zone Support Fund and subsequent Travel Better Fund, you must meet all of the following criteria:

01

Live within 20km of the planned zones in Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh or Glasgow.

02

Own a Euro 3 or earlier petrol vehicle or a Euro 5 or earlier diesel vehicle.

03

Be in receipt of benefits from the Department for Work and Pensions. This is a targeted fund aimed at those in receipt of specific means-tested benefits.

Why take action?

- The NHS considers air pollution to be the biggest environmental threat to health in the UK.
- 43% of deaths from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and 29% of lung cancer cases are a result of air pollution.
- Improving air quality will not just enhance our health as a nation, it will also help combat climate change.



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To check your eligibility and request an application call your local Home Energy Scotland centre on **0808 808 2282**.

You can also find out more at
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