Zero Emission Zone – Oxford City Centre

What is a Zero Emission Zone (ZEZ)?

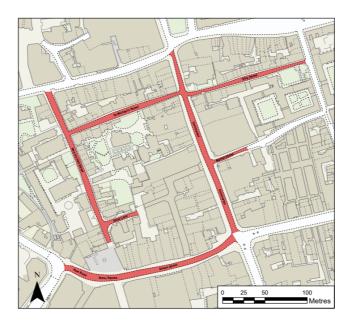
The ZEZ is an area where zero emission vehicles (such as fully electric motorcycles, cars and vans) can be used without incurring a charge but where other motor vehicles may be charged.

All petrol and diesel vehicles, including hybrids, incur a daily charge if they are driven in the zone between 7am and 7pm unless they have a 100 per cent discount or exemption.

Under powers conferred by part 3, and schedule 12 Transport Act 2000, local authorities can introduce by order road charging schemes to support the objectives of local transport plans.

What roads are included in the zone?

The ZEZ has been introduced as a pilot scheme over a small number of roads in the city centre and includes: New Inn Hall Street, Shoe Street, St. Michael's Street, Cornmarket, Ship Street, Market Street and Queen Street.



How is the Zero Emission Zone signed?

The signs used for the ZEZ are based on similar schemes in operation around the UK and have been authorised for use on the highway by the Department for Transport (ref GT50/120/0027). In advance of entry into the zone, traffic signs have been placed at strategic points (junctions, approach roads etc.) to give advanced guidance to motorists that they are driving towards an area where road charges apply.







What are the charges and how are they worked out?

Charges apply for daily entry into the ZEZ. They are based on the amount of CO2/km emitted from a vehicle and for higher charging bands, the Euro Class (emissions of local air pollutants) of the Vehicle. The County Council has provided an on-line system where the public can enter their vehicle registration number, find out how much they have to pay and make their payment.

Discounts from the charges are available for some users and some users are exempt from the charges. Information on discounts and exemptions including how to apply can be found on our website:

https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/oxford-zero-emission-zone-zez

Vehicle band	Emissions	February 2022
Zero emission vehicle (ZEV)	0 g/km CO2	£0
Ultra-low emission vehicle (ULEV)	Emits less than 75 g/km CO2. Any two or three-wheeled vehicle emitting more than 0g/km CO2. National ultra-low emission truck standard will be adopted for HGVs when defined.	£2
Low emission vehicle (LEV)	Vehicles with four or more wheels that meet the Euro 4/IV petrol or Euro 6/VI diesel standard.	£4
All other vehicles	Any vehicle not meeting any of the above standards.	£10

All motorists are required to pay a daily charge if their vehicle is used within the ZEZ. The only exceptions are if they are driving a zero emissions vehicle or have a valid exemption or 100% discount.

Charges apply from 7am to 7pm, seven days a week, all year round. The daily charge covers the entire day, so a vehicle can enter and be used within the ZEZ on multiple occasions each day. Charges don't apply to vehicles that are parked within the ZEZ and do not move.

You will be able to pay the charges:

- up to six days in advance of using a vehicle in the zone
- on the day the vehicle is driven in the zone
- or in the following six days.

Further information

For more information on the ZEZ, including discounts, exemptions, and how to find out and pay the ZEZ charges for your vehicle visit our website:

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