

Road use charge, goods transport Czech Republic

Road use charge - motorways and assimilated roads

In the Czech Republic, the use of trunk roads and motorways by vehicles with at least four wheels or vehicles with trailers is subject to a user charge.

Two-part coupon - vehicles of less than 12t

Proof of payment of the road use charge is a 2-part coupon which can be bought at post offices, filling stations, border crossings and from motoring associations.

The two-part coupon consists of:

- an adhesive vignette to be placed on the inside of the windscreen
- a coupon which is to be kept on board the vehicle.

It is compulsory to fill in the registration number of the vehicle in the place indicated on both parts of the coupon.

Rates (at 1.1.08; tariffs in CZK)

<i>Validity</i>	<i>up to 3.5t</i>	<i>>3.5t but less than 12t</i>
7 days (D)	220	750
One month (M)	330	2000
One year (R)	1000	8000

Validity of the coupons

D - valid from the day marked on the vignette and for the following 6 days

M - valid from the date marked on the vignette until the same date the following month. If the following calendar month does not have such a date, the coupon expires on the last day of the month.

R - from 1 December 2007 until 31 January 2009

Monthly and weekly vignettes can be purchased in advance provided their period of validity is indicated by punching holes in them at the time of sale. If this period of validity is not indicated, the vignette is invalid.

Sanctions

A fine of up to CZK 5000 must be paid on the spot for use of the toll road without the appropriate valid two-part vignette. In the case of a repeat offence or if the driver cannot pay on the spot, administrative proceedings will be initiated. In this case, the penalty may amount to CZK 500,000.

Electronic toll system - vehicles of 12t or more

Before using toll roads, a vehicle must be registered for the electronic toll system, a deposit must be paid and the "premid" vehicle device must be properly installed in the vehicle. Registration for the "premid" vehicle device depends on the payment method selected. A registration form must be completed. This is available at all "premid" distribution and contact centres and can also be downloaded from the following web site: www.premid.cz

Rates for motorways and assimilated roads (from 1.1.07; tariffs in CZK/km)

Axles	Euro 0, 1, 2	Euro 3 and above
2	2.30	1.70
3	3.70	2.90
≥4	5.40	4.20

Rates for first class roads (from 1.01.08; tariffs in CZK/km)

Axles	Euro 0, 1, 2	Euro 3 and above
2	1.10	0.80
3	1.80	1.40
≥4	2.60	2.00

Complete details on the electronic toll system can be found on the following website:
www.premid.cz

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