

## Tolls, goods transport United Kingdom

In the United Kingdom, a certain number of bridges and tunnels are subject to a toll and a congestion charge must be paid for entry to central London. The first toll motorway opened in December 2003. Tariffs are as follows:

### **M6 Toll (at 1.1.08)**

The M6 toll road is a 27 mile, three lane motorway which runs from junction 3a of the M6 around the north-east of the Birmingham - Sutton Coldfield - West Bromwich - Walsall conurbation, rejoining the M6 at junction 11a.

<i>Toll rates</i> (for vehicles with a height of 1.30m or more at the first axle)	06h00-23h00	23h00-06h00
Class 4 : 4 or more wheels, 2 axles	£ 9.00	£ 8.00
Class 5 : 4 or more wheels, between 3 and 6 axles	£ 9.00	£ 8.00

NB: All prices include VAT. All prices subject to 5% discount for Tag account holders.

*Operator :* Midland Expressway Ltd  
URL : [www.m6toll.co.uk](http://www.m6toll.co.uk)

### **Congestion charge, London**

A congestion charge of £8 per day is levied on vehicles entering central London from 07h00 to 18h00, Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays. Roadside cameras will capture the registration details of vehicles moving within the zone when the charge is in force. The charge should be paid by 22h00 on the day of travel; if it is paid between 22h00 and 24h00 an additional £2 surcharge will apply. If the charge is not paid by midnight on the day of travel, a fine of £100 will be imposed (this will be reduced to £50 for payment within 14 days). Payment can be made online at [www.cclondon.com](http://www.cclondon.com), at newsagents and petrol stations, by phone on 0845 900 1234, or at self service machines in major public car parks. There are no exemptions for goods vehicles.

### **Congestion charge, Durham**

A £2 congestion charge applies in Durham to the market area and Saddler Street between 10h00 and 16h00, Monday to Saturday.

### **Dartford-Thurrock Crossing (Queen Elizabeth II Bridge and Dartford Tunnel)**

Thames crossing between Thurrock and Dartford on the M25 London outer ring-road. Normal use is northbound via tunnels, southbound via bridge.

<i>Toll rate (single journey) :</i>	06h00-22h00	22h00-06h00
goods vehicle (2 axles)	£ 1.80	£ 1.00
goods vehicle (2 axles) + trailer	£ 3.60	£ 2.00
goods vehicle (3 axles or more)	£ 2.90	£ 1.00
goods vehicle (3 axles or more) + trailer	£ 5.80	£ 2.00

*Rates (single journey) for large vehicles and/or loads*

Passage through tunnels:

from 06h00 to 22h00	width >2.75m length >18.75m	£42.00 plus toll £42.00 plus toll
from 22h00 to 06h00	width >2.75m length >18.75m	£21.00 plus toll £21.00 plus toll
at any time of day or night	width >6.10m length >27.40m weight >150t	£190.00 plus toll £190.00 plus toll £190.00 plus toll
NB: height limit in west tunnel	15ft 9in (4.8006m)	
height limit in east tunnel	16ft 6in (5.0292m)	

Passage over bridge:

from 06h00 to 22h00	width >3.65m	£42.00 plus toll
from 22h00 to 06h00	width >3.65m	£21.00 plus toll
at any time of day or night	width >6.10m length >27.40m weight >150t	£190.00 plus toll £190.00 plus toll £190.00 plus toll

- An electronic toll payment system called “Dart-Tag” is available for regular users. Dart-Tag subscribers benefit from a discount of 7.5% on the normal toll rates. Details are available from the operator, Le Crossing Company Ltd (see below).
- Restrictions apply to the transport of dangerous goods. Details are available from the operator.

*Operator :* Le Crossing Company Ltd  
 South Orbital Way  
 Dartford, Kent DA1 5PR  
 Tel: (+44 1322) 221 603  
 URL: [www.dartfordrivercrossing.co.uk](http://www.dartfordrivercrossing.co.uk)

### ***Erskine Bridge***

Crosses the River Clyde on the A898 between Erskine and Old Kilpatrick to the west of Glasgow

Toll abolished on 1 April 2006

### ***Forth Road Bridge***

Crosses the Firth of Forth between Fife and Lothian on the A90 west of Edinburgh, with connections to the M8, M9 and M90 motorways

Toll abolished on 11 February 2008

### ***Humber Bridge (at 21.7.06)***

Crosses the River Humber on the A15 between North and South Humberside

*Toll rates (single journey) :*

goods vehicle ( $\leq 3.5t$ )	£ 2.70
goods vehicle ( $\leq 3.5t$ ) + trailer ; goods vehicle ( $>3.5t$ )	

to 7.5t)	£ 4.90
goods vehicle (>7.5t) with 2 axles	£10.90
goods vehicle (>7.5t) with 3 axles	£14.60
goods vehicle (>7.5t) with 4 axles or more	£18.30

- Special rates apply to abnormal loads; further information available from the operator

**Operator :** Humber Bridge Board  
 PO Box 6, Administration Building  
 Ferriby Road  
 Hessle  
 North Humberside HU13 0JG  
 Tel: (+44 1482) 647 161  
 Fax: (+44 1482) 640 838  
 URL: [www.humberbridge.co.uk/toll.php](http://www.humberbridge.co.uk/toll.php)

### **Mersey Tunnels** (at 21.7.06)

Cross the River Mersey between Liverpool and Birkenhead

*Toll rate (single journey) :*

vans, light goods vehicles (up to 3.5t)	£ 1.30
light goods vehicles + trailer ; goods vehicles (>3.5t) with 2 axles	£ 1.30
goods vehicles (>3.5t) with 3 axles	£ 3.90
goods vehicles (>3.5t) with 4 or more axles	£ 5.20

- An electronic toll payment system called “Fast-Tag” is available for regular users allowing them to benefit from a discount. Further information is available from the operator (see below)

**Operator :** Mersey Tunnels  
 George's Dock Building  
 George's Dock Way  
 Pier Head  
 Liverpool L3 1DD  
 Tel: (+44 151) 236 8602  
 Fax: (+44 151) 255 0610

### **Severn Bridge** (at 12.5.06)

On M4 motorway between England and Wales

*Toll rates apply westbound, England to Wales (eastbound, Wales to England - no charge) :*

goods vehicles ( $\leq$ 3.5t)	£ 9.80
goods vehicles (>3.5t)	£14.70

**Operator :** Severn River Crossing plc  
 Toll Administration Building  
 Bridge Access Road  
 Aust  
 Bristol BS12 3BE  
 Tel: (+44 1454) 632 436

### **Tamar Bridge (at 28.2.06)**

Crosses the River Tamar on the A38 between Plymouth, Devon and Saltash, Cornwall

*Toll rates apply eastbound, Cornwall to Devon (westbound, Devon to Cornwall - no charge):*

	single rate	vouchers
light goods vehicle ( $\leq 3.5t$ )	£ 1.00	£ 20.00 for 40
goods vehicles ( $>3.5t$ ) with 2 axles	£ 2.50	£ 50.00 for 40
goods vehicles ( $>3.5t$ ) with 3 axles	£ 4.00	£ 80.00 for 40
goods vehicles ( $>3.5t$ ) with 4 axles or more	£ 5.50	£110.00 for 40

**Operator :** Tamar Bridge Office  
Pemros Road  
Plymouth PL5 1LP  
Tel: (+44 1752) 361 577  
Fax: (+44 1752) 360 528

### **Tay Road Bridge**

Crosses the Firth of Tay on the A92 between Dundee (Angus) and Newport on Tay (Fife) in eastern Scotland

Toll abolished on 11 February 2008.

### **Tyne Tunnels (at.28.2.06)**

Cross the River Tyne on the A1 at Wallsend, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

*Toll rates (single journey) :*

light goods vehicles ( $\leq 3.5t$ )	£ 1.00
goods vehicles ( $>3.5t$ )	£ 1.20

- Special rates apply to abnormal loads; further information available from the operator.

**Operator :** Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority  
Tyne Tunnels  
Wallsend  
Tyne and Wear NE28 0PD  
Tel: (+44 191) 262 4451  
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