

Antwerp Low Emission Zone

The entire city centre of Antwerp and Linkeroever are a Low Emission Zone (LEZ) to ensure that air in the city becomes even cleaner. The most polluting cars are no longer welcome in the city. Since 1/1/2020 the conditions for admission have become stricter! Always check your vehicle with the check tool before entering the LEZ.

Make sure you check out this video which summarizes the principle of the Low Emission Zone (LEZ).



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7AvAcVpPsA4>

Conditions for admission

The most polluting vehicles may no longer enter the city. These include older diesel-powered cars and very old petrol-powered cars. The conditions are more stringent for diesel-powered cars than for cars powered by petrol, LPG or natural gas. Diesel-powered cars emit more soot and particulate matter.

The LEZ applies to all vehicles: passenger cars, camper vans, delivery vans and lorries, agricultural vehicles, buses (this includes tourist coaches) and is valid 24/7.

Euro norm

Your car's Euro norm determines whether your vehicle may enter the city or not. The Euro norm is a European environmental standard with which the engine of a vehicle must comply. The aim is to limit emissions of polluting substances. The higher the Euro norm of a car, the lower the engine's emissions.

[Here you will find the date of first registration for each vehicle category](#) and the corresponding Euro norm.

| Overview of the euro emission standards from 2020 onwards | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Euronorm | Diesel | Petrol, natural Gas, LPG |
| Euro 6/VI | Admitted | Admitted |
| Euro 5/V* | Admitted | Admitted |
| Euro 4/IV | Admitted after payment | Admitted |
| Euro 3/III with particulate filter | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** | Admitted |
| Euro 3/III without particulate filter | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** | Admitted |
| Euro 2/II | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** | Admitted |
| Euro 1/I | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** |
| Before the Euro norms | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** | Admitted with an LEZ day pass** |

* For trucks over 3,5 tons the EEV (Enhanced Environmentally friendly Vehicle) is used. This EEV is equivalent to Euro norm 5/V.

** Maximum 8 times a year. Check sna.be/LEZ for possible exceptions.

Always check whether your vehicle is admitted

Take the [online test](#) to be sure that your vehicle is admitted to the LEZ. You will thus avoid being fined.

With this test, you can check if all the required data of your vehicle are present in the LEZ-database. The city of Antwerp and the Vehicle Registration Department (DIV) only have the information mentioned on your car registration certificate. Please check carefully whether you need to register your vehicle (e.g. when the euro norm of your vehicle is higher than the euro norm listed in the LEZ database).

These vehicles may enter the LEZ until 31 December 2024

Automatically

These cars may always enter the LEZ if they have a Belgian or Dutch number plate. Is your car on this list? Then you don't need to do anything, your car may automatically enter the city.

- cars powered by petrol, LPG or natural gas with Euro norm 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- diesel-powered cars with Euro norm 5 and 6
- electric cars
- hydrogen cars
- Plug in hybrid cars emitting less than 50g/km. For plug in hybrid cars emitting 50 g/km or more, the Euro norm determines whether your car may enter the LEZ or not.
- certain specific professional vehicles.

After registration

- all the cars in the above list with a foreign number plate (exception; Dutch number plates)
- cars for transporting disabled persons with a special parking permit and with an adapted car
- cars for transporting disabled persons with a special parking permit and who are entitled to an increased health care allowance
- vehicles for the transport of persons with disabilities that are fitted with a wheelchair system
- vehicles with a higher Euro norm than the one listed in the LEZ database
- agricultural vehicles with an output of max. 130 kW

You must register your vehicle no later than the day after you entered the LEZ. After registration your vehicle may enter the LEZ for free until the last day of the registration. This last day is determined by the type of registration and/or the euro norm. You can register your car online.

After payment

- diesel cars with Euro norm 4
- cars older than 40 years
- some professional diesel-powered vehicles with Euro norm 3 or 4

You must apply for and pay for admission no later than one day after entering the LEZ. You can pay for a one week, one month, four months or one year. The tariffs are different for passenger vehicles and trucks.





LEZ day pass

All vehicles that do not meet the conditions of admission, can buy an LEZ day pass up to eight times a year. This pass entitles you to enter the LEZ for one whole day, regardless of your vehicle. An LEZ day pass costs 35 euros and entitles you to enter the LEZ on the day of your choice, until 6 A.M. The day pass is available for purchase online and through all the parking meters in Antwerp.

Check all detailed info on:

<https://www.slimnaarantwerpen.be/en/LEZ>

