

Environmental Zones in Sweden



REGULATIONS

Why we have environmental Zones

As in many other cities in Europe, we have the problem of poor air quality as a result of large-scale emissions from different sources, including road traffic. All cities are required to meet the EU's environmental quality norms, which means that we must be able to guarantee residents acceptable air quality. To do so, emissions of nitric oxide and particulate matter need to be reduced and environmental zones are an important means of achieving this. An environmental zone imposes environmental restrictions on heavy lorries and buses (total weight over 3.5 tonnes) that operate in our towns and cities, reducing emissions where this is needed most – in areas where the majority of people live and work. The environmental zone acts as a much-needed complement to emission requirements for new vehicles, preventing vehicles that are too old or with emissions that are too high from being used in our towns and cities.

The local regulations are the same for all Swedish towns and cities that have an environmental zone and are based on the rules laid down in the Swedish Road Traffic Ordinance (SFS 1998:1276, Chapter 10). This means that the EU environmental classification system is used as a basis for deciding which vehicles are permitted to enter an environmental zone. Vehicles that are allowed entry can be seen in the text and table in this folder.

For further information about the environmental zone in each individual town or city, see the websites listed on the back page of this folder. For environmental zones in Europe see www.lowemissionzones.eu

Regulations for heavy lorries and buses

- All are permitted to be driven in an environmental zone for six years from when the vehicle is first registered, regardless of the country of registration.
- Euro 3 vehicles can be driven in an environmental zone for eight years from when the vehicle is first registered, regardless of the country of registration
- Euro 4 vehicles can be driven in an environmental zone up to and including 2016 or eight* years from when the vehicle is first registered, regardless of the country of registration. Vehicles adapted to Euro 4 can be driven up to and including 2016**.
- Euro 5 vehicles can be driven in an environmental zone up to and including 2020 or eight years* from when the vehicle was first registered, regardless of the country of registration. Vehicles adapted to euro 5 can be driven up to and including 2020**.
- For euro 6 vehicles or better and vehicles that have been adapted to euro 6 or better there is no time limit.

First year of registration regardless of country	According to the general rule	Euro 3 (MK 2000)	Euro 4 (MK 2005)	Euro 5 + EEV (MK 2008)	Euro 6 or better
2004	2010	2012	2016		
2005	2011	2013	2016	2020	
2006	2012	2014	2016	2020	
2007	2013	2015	2016	2020	
2008	2014		2016	2020	
2009	2015		2016** or 2017*	2020	
2010	2016		2016** or 2018*	2020	
2011	2017			2020	
2012	2018			2020	
2013	2019			2020** or 2021*	No limit
2014	2020			2020** or 2022*	No limit
2015	2021				No limit
2016	2022				No limit
2017	2023				No limit
2018	2024				No limit

For rules and exceptions regarding environmental zones, see the Swedish Road Traffic Ordinance, Chapter 4, Sect. 22-24 ad Chapter 11, Sect. 4.

For frequently asked questions concerning environmental zones, see www.malmo.se/miljozon or www.stockholm.se/miljozon



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