

Dundee's Low Emission Zone came into force in May 2022 with enforcement commencing on 30 May 2024.

It is generally the case that diesel engine vehicles registered after September 2015, and petrol engine vehicles registered from 2006 onwards will meet LEZ emission standards. It is, however, possible for younger vehicles to be non-compliant and for older vehicles to be compliant. Vehicle details can be checked using the Transport Scotland [online registration checker](#).

Dundee's LEZ scheme allows applications for a time-limited (temporary) exemption (TLE) under circumstances where entry of a non-compliant vehicle is required for a specific, defined purpose not considered in legislation or regulations. Private vehicles will not be considered for time-limited exemptions.

Applications will be determined on their individual merits. Examples of applications that will be considered may include but are not limited to:

- Mobile plant or abnormal loads or machinery transport
- historic vehicles or vehicles of particular speciality not covered by other exemptions and used for a specific purpose
- Charitable organisations using specialist vehicles to undertake valuable services on behalf of the community.

Applications for time-limited exemptions will not normally be considered for the routine transport of people or goods or for routine commercial operations.

Applicant will be required to demonstrate that they have a clear plan in place to update their vehicles to comply with the LEZ legislation as part of their application otherwise their application will automatically be refused.

Exemptions will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Financial constraints are the primary reasons given for most vehicle owners being unable to upgrade vehicles and accordingly is not an exceptional circumstance.

Where non-commercial, date-specific events are taking place within the Low Emission Zone, consideration will be given to offer one-day exemptions for non-compliant vehicles that are required to support the successful delivery of these events.

Time-limited exemptions can be granted for up to a year and may be subject to conditions or restrictions as deemed appropriate by the council.

There is no appeal against the determination of a TLE application.