

Guidance

Temporary £1 vehicle tax for most heavy goods vehicles (HGV)

Check if your HGV qualifies for the temporary £1 vehicle tax rate.

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Since 1 July 2026, most HGVs qualify for a temporary reduced vehicle tax rate of £1 for 12 months.

If your vehicle is eligible, the reduced rate will be applied automatically when you tax your vehicle between 1 July 2026 and 30 June 2027.

Check if your HGV is eligible

The £1 rate applies to HGVs that are in the following tax classes:

- 1 (HGV)

- 2 (Trailer HGV)
- 16 (Small Island)
- 23 (Combined Transport)
- 57 (Special Types)

You can find your vehicle's tax class on the log book (V5C). If you are a DVLA registered fleet operator, you can also check this information using the online service (<https://www.gov.uk/dvla-fleet-vehicle-info>).

When the £1 rate applies

The £1 rate applies to eligible vehicles taxed between 1 July 2026 and 30 June 2027.

If you taxed your vehicle before 1 July 2026, you'll have been charged the applicable rate at the time and will not be entitled to a refund. You will be able to pay the £1 rate the next time you tax it during the reduced rate period.

HGV levy

If your vehicle is subject to the HGV levy, it will continue to be charged at the current levy rate alongside the £1 rate of VED. This will be applied automatically when you renew your vehicle tax.

How to tax your vehicle

You can tax your vehicle online (<https://www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax>), by phone or at a Post Office that deals with vehicle tax.

The rate on your vehicle tax reminder may not include the £1 rate. The correct rate will be applied when you tax your vehicle.

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