

Environment Protection (Display of Fuel Consumption and CO₂ Emission Label) Regulations 2019

Background information

Road transportation is an essential component of development and human welfare. However, the growing number of vehicles on the road is a major source of pollution and one of the greatest contributors to global warming. It can also have detrimental health and financial impacts.

Reducing vehicular emissions and moving towards a more sustainable land transport sector has become crucial. It is in this context that the United Nations Environment (UNE) and its partners launched the Global Fuel Economy Initiative (GFEI) to assist countries to develop policies that encourage fuel economy, i.e. reduction in fuel consumption and carbon dioxide. This project has been completed in Mauritius and a multi-pronged approach was adopted to come up with a set of strategies to progress towards GFEI's goals of halving fuel consumption and CO₂ emission and improve air quality.

Why a fuel consumption and CO₂ emission label?

Motor car labelling is one of the tools for raising awareness on fuel economy. The Environment Protection (Display of Fuel Consumption and CO₂ Emission Label) Regulations 2019 aims at bringing behavioural change in consumers so that they purchase cars that consume less fuel and emit less carbon dioxide. These labels will help consumers compare the efficiency of different cars and guide them in making the most environment-friendly choice. Through their choices, consumers are also contributing to reduce emissions from the motor car, thereby reducing the emission of greenhouse gases responsible for global warming. Moreover, these cars being more fuel efficient, consumers will be able to save money spent on fuel.

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The Regulations have been established under Section 96 of the Environment Protection Act and have come into force on 1st June 2019.

To which type of vehicles do the Regulations apply?

The Regulations apply to new motor cars, the unladen weight of which does not exceed 3 tonnes, which are displayed at any place for sale.

The regulations **do not** apply to electric cars as there is no fuel consumption and CO₂ emission from the vehicle.

Who should affix the label?

Dealers engaged in the sale of new motor cars are required to affix the label on every new motor car.

Where to affix the label?

The label shall be affixed:

- (i) in a conspicuous place on the front windscreen of the motor car; or
- (ii) on an information display stand, of a height of not less than one metre, which shall be placed in an adjacent position to the motor car.

What information does the label provide?

Dealers engaged in the sale of new motor cars are required to provide in the label the following information in accordance with the brochure and other technical specifications or technical data sheets provided by the manufacturer of the motor car:

- Make
- Model

- Engine capacity
- Fuel type used for propulsion of the motor car
- Fuel consumption for the combined driving cycle of the motor car, to be expressed in l/100 km and rounded to the first decimal place
- Carbon dioxide emissions for the combined driving cycle of the motor car, to be expressed in g/km.

How to use the label?

If you are going to buy a new car, look for the label either on the windscreen or on an information display stand adjacent to the motor car. It will give you information on the fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emission of the car. You can compare labels on different models and choose to purchase a car which consumes the least fuel and emits the least carbon dioxide. You will thus make savings on fuel and your car will be less polluting.

How to generate a label?

Click on the link below and enter a vehicle's details into the label and print it. The link below can be used to print labels for multiple models.

[Display of Fuel Consumption and CO₂ Emission Label \(click here\)](#)