

## E-VIGNETTE INFORMATION

Key facts about using the e-vignette on toll roads in Hungary.

### The following are covered by the e-vignette system:

- motorcycles,
- passenger cars (and their trailers)
- goods motor vehicles with a maximum authorized mass of 3.5 tons,
- buses,
- motor vehicles not subject to toll under separate legislation, and the trailers thereof.

### The use of which roads requires the purchase of an e-vignette?

Vehicles covered by the e-vignette system can only lawfully use domestic expressways (motorways, speedways) after payment of road toll, i.e. after purchase of an e-vignette.

National and regional maps of toll roads are available at [terkep.nemzetiutdij.hu](http://terkep.nemzetiutdij.hu).

Toll sections may only be used with a valid road use authorization, i.e. you need to purchase the e-vignette before you enter the toll section. If you purchase the e-vignette within the validity period, the validity always starts at the time of purchase (day/hour/minute). Bona fide road users mistakenly entering the toll road network have 60 minutes from the entry to purchase road use authorization.

### E-vignette types

- **Weekly national:** valid from the starting day specified by the customer and for the following 9 days, until the 24th hour of the 9th day.
- **Monthly national:** valid from the starting day specified until the 24th hour of the same day (by number) of the following month. If the following month does not have a day with that number, validity ends at the 24th hour of the last day of the month.
- **Annual national:** valid from the first day of the current year until the 24th hour of January 31 of the following year. If the purchase is made within the validity period, it entitles to road use from the time of purchase.
- **Annual regional:** territory-based vignette, which entitles to the use of a given county's toll expressways, with its regional validity typically extending until the first complete junction of the given county's administrative border (more information: [nemzetiutdij.hu](http://nemzetiutdij.hu)). Its period of validity is the same as that of annual e-vignettes.

Weekly and monthly vignettes are valid from the time of purchase, unless the customer specifies the start of the validity period of the e-vignette.

### E-vignette rates

The e-vignette rates are valid from 01.01.2023. All rates shown in the table are inclusive of VAT.

E-vignette vehicle category	National			Regional
	Weekly (10-day)	Monthly	Annual	Annual
<b>D1M*</b>	HUF 2,750	HUF 4,450		
<b>D1</b>	HUF 5,500	HUF 8,900	HUF 49,190	HUF 5,720
<b>D2</b>	HUF 8,000	HUF 12,600	HUF 69,830	HUF 11,450
<b>B2</b>	HUF 17,730	HUF 25,150	HUF 228,850	HUF 22,890
<b>U</b>	HUF 5,500	HUF 8,900	HUF 49,190	HUF 5,720

\*\* Annual national and regional e-vignettes for motorcycles are available as vehicle category D1 products.

### **What information must be provided when purchasing an e-vignette?**

Buyers are required to indicate the vehicle registration number, the country code, the licence plate number, the vehicle category, the period of validity of the e-vignette and, in case of purchasing a regional vignette, the county.

### **Vehicle categories**

- **D1:** Motorcycles (D1M) and passenger cars of a maximum authorized mass of 3.5 tons, designed for the carriage of no more than 7 persons including the driver, and their trailers.
- **D2:** All motor vehicles that do not belong to any other vehicle category and do not qualify as motor vehicles subject to toll payment under a separate legal regulation. If the vehicle has a trailer, a separate category U vignette is required, which can be purchased using the license plate number of the towing vehicle as well.
- **B2:** Buses, i.e. motor vehicles designed for transporting passengers, with more than 9 permanent seats, including the seat of the driver. If the vehicle has a trailer, a separate category U vignette is required, which can be purchased using the license plate number of the towing vehicle as well.
- **U:** Any trailers belonging to vehicles included in categories D2 and B2. Trailer authorizations (vehicle category U) are also available for the registration number of the towing vehicle.

### **How to determine the vehicle category?**

To ascertain the vehicle category, it is important to take into account all three of the "J" (vehicle category), "F.1" (gross weight) and "S.1" (number of seats, including the driver's seat) fields of the official vehicle document, such as the vehicle registration certificate.

For example, category D1 includes passenger cars (and their trailers) designed for transporting no more than 7 people and with a gross weight of less than 3.5 tons, and only if the marking in the "J" field is "M1" (passenger car) or "M1G" (all-terrain passenger car) in the official vehicle document. If any of these conditions are not met, because the vehicle is designed for transporting more than 7 people or is heavier than 3.5 tons, or if the "J" field is marked "N1" (goods transport vehicle with a gross weight below 3.5 tons) or "N1G" (all-terrain goods motor vehicle), the vehicle belongs, without a doubt, in vehicle category D2.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!**

When purchasing, before making payment you must check the data recorded for the e-vignette, such as the registration number, the country code, the vehicle category and validity period and — in the case of a regional vignette — the correct county before you pay for your e-vignette.

If the data is not correctly provided/recorded, a surcharge will be payable.

Customers can prove the purchase of the e-vignette with the counterfoil/confirmation message received at the time of purchase. The receipt must be retained until 2 years after the last day of validity of the e-vignette.

### **How is the purchase of e-vignettes verified?**

NTPS Plc. verifies the purchase of e-vignettes by stationary cameras, mobile verification units and mobile roadside inspection units, based on the license plate number of the vehicles. In the latter case, a surcharge/surcharge difference will be imposed at the site of inspection for unauthorized use of the road, which can be paid on the spot.

### **What happens if a vehicle is driven on Hungarian toll roads without a valid e-vignette?**

If an enforcement reveals that a motor vehicle has no valid e-vignette, a surcharge for unauthorized road use, corresponding to the category of the motor vehicle, will be imposed on the owner or the operator.

The surcharge rates effective from 1 January 2023 are shown in the table below:

Vehicle category	Base surcharge (If paid within 60 days)	Vehicle category (If paid after 60 days)
<b>D1, D2</b>	HUF 18,750	HUF 74,970
<b>B2</b>	HUF 84,330	HUF 337,290

In the case of foreign vehicles, the process of surcharge payment (e.g. the sending of a payment notice letter or the collection of debt) is coordinated by the competent foreign partner office of NTPS Plc. In addition to the amount of surcharge imposed, the payment notice sent by NTPS Plc.'s partner will also include its administrative costs relevant to the collection and determined in a contract and/or by the laws and regulations of the country concerned, such as data retrieval fees, postal fees, communication fees, office administration fees, collection fees and, as the case may be, court expenses. The administrative costs always adhere to the rules and regulations of the law of the country concerned.

#### **What happens if the e-vignette used does not match the declared vehicle category?**

If, at the time of the inspection, the vehicle has a valid e-vignette for a lower vehicle category than that of the vehicle, a surcharge difference must be paid. If at the time of the inspection, the vehicle has a valid e-vignette for a higher vehicle category than that of the vehicle, no surcharge is payable.

The surcharge difference rates effective from 1 January 2023 are shown in the table below:

Vehicle category purchased	Applicable vehicle category	Differential surcharge (If paid within 60 days)	Differential surcharge (If paid after 60 days)
<b>D1</b>	<b>D2</b>	HUF 9,440	HUF 37,800
<b>D2</b>	<b>D2+U</b>	HUF 9,440	HUF 37,800
<b>B2</b>	<b>B2+U</b>	HUF 9,440	HUF 37,800
<b>D1, D2, U</b>	<b>B2</b>	HUF 65,580	HUF 262,320

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#### **Is there a solution to reduce the amount to be paid if several surcharges (or differential surcharges) are accumulated?**

If more than one surcharge (or differential surcharge) is imposed, the following options are available to reduce the amount of the surcharge.

##### **Maximization of surcharges**

If multiple surcharge payment notices are received, within 75 days of receipt of the first payment notice, the owner or operator of the vehicle may request the maximization of surcharges to no more than the sum of two base surcharges or differential surcharges.

It is important to note that, according to the rules, surcharges that have been paid before the petition for the maximization of surcharges is submitted cannot be included in the petition.

### **Surcharge amnesty**

In the event of multiple unauthorized road use cases after 1 November 2020, as part of so-called surcharge amnesty, the vehicle's owner or operator may request to pay only a total of six base surcharges instead of the total surcharge amount. This allows for the handling of previously unpaid surcharges incurred within 180 days prior to the submission of the request.

### **Exemption from surcharge payment through the purchase of an annual vignette**

When purchasing an annual national vignette, the vehicle's operator may request the cancellation of previously unpaid surcharges imposed for unauthorized road use as incurred between the date of such unauthorized road use and the purchase of the annual vignette, within 75 days of the receipt of the surcharge payment notice.

In all three cases, the petition must be submitted in writing (on paper or by email) to the postal or email address of NTPS Plc. or its intermediary partner, or in person at any of NTPS Plc.'s customer service offices.

NTPS Plc. or its intermediary partner shall assess the petition within 30 days and notify the petitioner of its decision. In the case of surcharge maximization and surcharge amnesty, the customer has 30 days from the date of notification to pay the surcharge.

If you have any further questions about e-vignette purchases, surcharges or payments, please contact our customer services. The relevant legislation is available on NTPS Plc.'s website, [nemzetiutdij.hu](http://nemzetiutdij.hu).

Information about valid e-vignettes are available on NTPS Plc.'s online e-vignette enquirer.

[nemzetiutdij.hu/EN](http://nemzetiutdij.hu/EN)

