



Application to tax a heavy goods vehicle (HGV)

V85

You only need to fill in this form if you are applying to tax a heavy goods vehicle (HGV). To tax other vehicles use the 'Application for vehicle tax' (V10).

Please write in **black ink** using **CAPITAL LETTERS**.

1 Your details

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms): _____

Company name (if appropriate): _____

Address and postcode: _____

2 Vehicle details

Registration number: _____ 2

Make: _____

Tax class you are applying for:

HGV ☐ Trailer HGV ☐ Recovery vehicle ☐
Private HGV ☐ Special types ☐ Small island vehicle ☐
Combined transport ☐

Tick if your vehicle is exempt from goods vehicle testing ☐ (See section E over the page)

For rigid vehicles

Vehicle's weight: _____ kg Number of axles: _____ Tax band: _____

If 12,000kg or over and used to pull any trailer weighing over 4,000kg, what is the maximum weight of any trailer pulled? _____ kg

For articulated vehicles

Combined weight of cab and semi-trailer: _____ kg

Number of axles on cab: _____ Tax band: _____

How many axles will the attached semi-trailer have?

1 axle ☐ 2 axles ☐ 3 or more axles ☐

3 Vehicle tax details

How long do you want the tax to run for? 6 months ☐ 12 months ☐

Month

Year

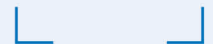
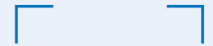
What month and year do you want the tax to start? _____

You cannot backdate the tax to before the first day of the month in which you are making this application.

By law, all drivers must be covered by motor insurance when they use a motor vehicle on the road or in any other public place.

Failure to tax and insure or make a Statutory Off Road Notification (SORN) for your vehicle, may result in a fine or a prosecution.

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Complete field 9 in ALL cases
Complete field 7 if the tax is
HGV or Trailer HGV.

VC ☐ 3

Prefix ☐ 4

Amount Paid ☐ 5

Period ☐ 6

Wheel plan ☐ 7

Trailer Weight ☐ 8

TC ☐ 9

Tax Band _____

Expiry Month _____

SR ☐

V62 ☐

Green new keeper slip ☐

V5C Changes ☐

A When you should use this form

You should only use this form to tax vehicles over 3,500kg as HGV, trailer HGV, private HGV, special types, small island vehicle, recovery vehicle or combined transport.

B Tax bands

The tax due depends on the tax band (A to G) your vehicle is in.

- For rigid vehicles, the tax band is based on the vehicle's weight and the number of axles

You must pay extra tax if your vehicle weighs 12,000kg or over and at any time it pulls a loaded trailer weighing over 4,000kg.

- For articulated vehicles, the tax band is based on the combined weight of the cab and semi-trailer (plated weight) and the number of axles each has

You can find out which tax band your vehicle is in by visiting

www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax-rate-tables

C Where to get your vehicle tax

You can apply at a Post Office® branch that deals with vehicle tax, to find your nearest branch:

- go to www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder
- or phone 0345 722 3344

D The documents you need to produce

The V5C registration certificate (log book) or the green new keeper slip.

Proof of a valid MOT (electronic copies are acceptable) or a goods vehicle test certificate (GVT), the MOT or GVT certificate must be valid on the date the tax starts. If your vehicle had an MOT test in Northern Ireland, a valid test certificate must be produced.

If you have a vehicle that does not need an MOT or GVT certificate, see section E below.

If you are claiming a vehicle tax exemption or a 50% reduction in vehicle tax you must submit one of the following – Certificate of Entitlement to DLA, Certificate of Entitlement to Personal Independence Payment (PIP), Certificate of Entitlement to Child Disability Payment (CDP), Certificate of Entitlement to Adult Disability Payment (ADP), Certificate of Entitlement to Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance (SADLA) or WPA0442.

All the above documents must be originals; not photocopies or faxed copies.

For vehicles with a Northern Ireland address a certificate of insurance or cover note (downloaded copies are acceptable, photocopies are not) which is valid on the date the vehicle tax starts.

E Producing a GVT certificate

When you tax your vehicle, you must provide a valid goods vehicle test certificate unless your vehicle does not have to be tested.

A goods vehicle is exempt from testing (does not have to be tested) if any of the following apply:

- it is used on the road by an order made under section 44 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 or Article 60 of the Road Traffic (NI) order 1995
- it is used on certain islands referred to in regulation 44(2) of the Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) Regulations 1988 or Article 65 of the Road Traffic (NI) order 1995
- it is a class of vehicle listed in schedule 2 of the Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) Regulations 1988 or Article 65 of the Road Traffic (NI) order 1995 (for details of these vehicles see V112G form)
- it is a heavy/light locomotive or motor tractor, as defined in the Road Traffic Act 1988 or Road Traffic (NI) order 1995, but has been given a revenue weight

If any of the above apply to your vehicle, tick the appropriate box in section 2 over the page.

If you have any questions about exemption from testing, contact:

Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA)

Ellipse

Padley Road

Swansea SA1 8AN

Phone: 0300 123 9000

For vehicles registered with a Northern Ireland address contact:

Driver and Vehicle Agency Testing (DVAT)

Customer Services

Coleraine County Hall

Castlerock Road

Waterside

Coleraine

BT51 3HS

Phone: 0845 601 4094

F How to pay

You can pay by debit card, credit card, Direct Debit, cheque or postal order (made out to 'Post Office Ltd').

The different rates of tax are in 'Rates of vehicle tax' (V149) which you can get from www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax-rate-tables

If you pay with a cheque which bounces, the vehicle will not be taxed.

G Special notes

You can tax your vehicle at a Post Office branch that deals with vehicle tax by using your V5C or green new keeper slip. You may also need to fill in an 'Application for a vehicle registration certificate' (V62) if you only have the green slip.

If you do not have a V5C or the green new keeper slip you will need to fill in a V62 with this form. If you are not the registered keeper of the vehicle, you may not be able to tax until you get a V5C in your name. You must keep the vehicle off the road during this time.

If you've previously had a V5C in your name for this vehicle and it has been lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed and there is no change to the vehicle or your personal details, you can apply for a duplicate at www.gov.uk/vehicle-log-book. You'll be able to tax your vehicle at the same time.

You can download the V62 form from www.gov.uk/dvlaforms or get one from any Post Office branch that deals with vehicle tax.

H Further information

More information on taxing your vehicle is available from the website at www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax

If you are unhappy with the service you receive, please visit www.gov.uk/dvla for information on our complaints procedure.

You can contact us in the following ways:

By phone: **0300 790 6802**

Phone lines are open between 8am and 7pm, Monday to Friday, and between 8am and 2pm on Saturdays. Some calls will be monitored for quality and training purposes.

By writing to:

Customer Enquiries (Vehicles)

DVLA

Swansea

SA6 7JL

I Data protection

DVLA handles your personal data in accordance with road vehicle law and data protection laws. The law allows us to release your data to the police and other enforcement bodies. We also provide data to other parties where the law allows it. For further information about how we process your data, your rights and who to contact, see our privacy notice at www.gov.uk/dvla/privacy-policy

You can now choose to receive vehicle tax reminders by text or email

Go to: gov.uk/dvla/account