

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY ACT 1999
TRANSPORT ACT 2000

Greater London Low Emission Zone Charging
(Exceptional Variation) Order 2021

Made 2021

Coming into force In accordance with articles 1(2) and 2

Whereas—

- (1) the Greater London Low Emission Zone Charging Order 2006 as varied from time to time (“the LEZ Scheme Order”) imposes charges for the use of specified classes of motor vehicles on designated roads within a specified area of Greater London;
- (2) it appears to Transport for London expedient, for the purposes of facilitating the achievement of policies and proposals in the Mayor of London’s Transport Strategy published pursuant to section 142 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999^(a) that it should make an Order for the purposes of further varying the LEZ Scheme Order having regard to the need to ensure NHS patient access to medical services:

Now, therefore, Transport for London, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 295 and 420(1) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, by Schedule 23 to that Act, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

—(1) This Order may be cited as the Greater London Low Emission Zone Charging (Exceptional Variation) Order 2021.

(2) This Order shall come into force immediately on the day following the day on which the Mayor confirms it.

In this Order “the LEZ Scheme” means the Scheme contained in the Schedule to the LEZ Scheme Order as varied and in force immediately before the coming into force of this Order.

^(a) 1999 c.29; Schedule 23 as amended by the Transport Act 2000 (c.38), Schedule 13

Variation of the LEZ Scheme

—(1) The Scheme set out in the Schedule to this Order (“the Variation Scheme”), which varies the LEZ Scheme, shall have effect.

(2) The Variation Scheme shall come into force immediately on the day following the day on which the Mayor confirms this Order.

Signed by authority of Transport for London



Dated 02 March 2021

Andy Byford, Commissioner, Transport for London

SCHEDULE TO THE ORDER
SCHEME VARYING THE LEZ SCHEME

Article 2

Non-chargeable vehicles – qualifying NHS patients

1. For article 5(3) of the LEZ Scheme substitute—

- “(3) A vehicle is a non-chargeable vehicle for the purpose of use within the Inner Zone if—
- (a) it is a vehicle licensed as a hackney carriage under section 6 of the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act 1869; or
 - (b) it is a qualifying NHS patient’s vehicle.”.

—(1) Article 5(4) of the LEZ Scheme is amended as follows.

(1) In sub-paragraph (c) for “.” substitute “;”

After sub-paragraph (c) insert the following new sub-paragraphs—

- “(d) a “qualifying NHS patient’s vehicle” is a vehicle which was on any occasion used on any designated road within the Inner Zone to transport a relevant patient provided that—
- the charge imposed by article 7(2) of this Scheme in respect of the use of the vehicle on that occasion was duly paid;
 - the vehicle was used for the purpose of transporting the relevant patient to attend an appointment relating to establishing a diagnosis or to treatment provided by or on behalf of a health authority, National Health Service Trust or other National Health Service organisation (“the relevant NHS body”);
 - the charge was reimbursed to the patient by the relevant NHS body; and
 - the relevant NHS body subsequently issued a certificate to Transport for London that conditions (ii) and (iii) were both met;
- (e) “relevant patient” means—
- (i) a patient who—
 - (aa) has a compromised immune system or requires regular therapy, assessment or recurrent surgical intervention; and
 - (bb) is clinically assessed as too ill, weak or disabled to travel to an appointment on public transport; or
 - a patient who is clinically assessed, in accordance with the advice of National Health Service for the time being applicable, as being at high or moderate risk from COVID-19.”

After article 5(4) as varied, insert the following new paragraph—

- “(5) Where Transport for London, on receiving a certificate issued pursuant to paragraph (4)(d)(iv) is satisfied that a vehicle falls to be treated as a non-chargeable vehicle in accordance with this article, it shall refund the charge incurred to the relevant NHS body.”.