

# THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION

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Pursuant to Article 177 paragraph 6 of the Environmental Protection Act (Official Gazette 110/2007) the Minister of Environmental Protection, Physical Planning and Construction hereby issues the

## ORDINANCE

### ON AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ON FUEL ECONOMY AND CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS OF NEW PASSENGER CARS

#### I GENERAL PROVISIONS

##### Article 1

This Ordinance stipulates the content and method of providing information to the consumers on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of new passenger cars placed on the market for sale or lease in the Republic of Croatia, and the content and preparation of the guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

##### Article 2

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms have the following meanings:

- *passenger car* is a motor vehicle of category M1 pursuant to vehicle type approval regulations in the Republic of Croatia,
- *new passenger car* is any passenger car which has not previously been sold to a person who bought it for a purpose other than that of selling or supplying it;
- *certificate of conformity* is the written statement of the manufacturer or its authorised representative issued on the basis of the vehicle type-approval certificate made out to his name, which guarantees (the user) conformity of the vehicle with the vehicle type-approved in the Republic of Croatia, and is mentioned in Appendix IX to the Ordinance on vehicle type-approval (Official Gazette 115/2004);
- *point of sale* is a closed or open area where new passenger cars are displayed or offered for sale or lease. Trade fairs and public shows where new passenger cars are presented to the public are also considered points of sale;
- *official fuel consumption* and *official specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> for a given passenger car* is the data type-approved in accordance with type-approval regulations, mentioned in Appendix

VIII to the Ordinance on vehicle type-approval (Official Gazette 115/2004) and attached to the vehicle type-approval certificate or the certificate of conformity;

– *fuel economy label* is a label which contains consumer information regarding the official fuel consumption and the official specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> of the car to which the label is attached;

– *fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emission guide* is a compilation of the official fuel consumption data and official specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> for each model available on the new car market;

– *promotional literature* is all printed material used in the marketing, advertising and promotion of vehicles to the general public, and it includes technical manuals, brochures, advertisements in newspapers, magazines and trade press and posters;

– *make* is the trade name of the manufacturer and is that which appears on the certificate of conformity and the type-approval documentation;

– *model* is the commercial description of the make, type, and, if available and appropriate, variant and version of a passenger car;

– *type, variant and version* are the different vehicles of a given make that are declared by the manufacturer, as described in Appendix II.B to the Ordinance on vehicle type approval (Official Gazette 115/2004), and uniquely identified by type, variant and version alphanumeric characters;

– *passenger car dealer (hereinafter: dealer)* is the manufacturer or his authorised representative established in the Republic of Croatia, or other natural or legal person importing and/or placing passenger cars on the market in the Republic of Croatia;

– *passenger car seller (hereinafter: seller)* is the person selling or leasing new passenger cars to the end user.

## II LABEL ON FUEL ECONOMY AND CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

### Article 3

(1) For each new passenger car model placed on the market for sale or lease in the Republic of Croatia, the dealer shall ensure that a label on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is produced.

(2) The label referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall contain the following information:

1. passenger car model: make, model type, variant or version and fuel type;
2. the numerical value of the official fuel consumption, expressed in litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km), or cubic metres per 100 kilometres (m<sup>3</sup>/100 km) and quoted to one decimal place.
3. the numerical value of the official specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed in grams per 100 kilometres (g/km), and quoted to the nearest whole number.

4. the following text:

"A guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which contains data for all new passenger car models is available at any point of sale free of charge";

"In addition to the fuel efficiency of a car, driving behaviour as well as other non-technical factors play a role in determining a car's fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> is the main greenhouse gas responsible for global warming."

(3) The label referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be of a size of 297 mm × 210 mm (A4) on a white surface. The text shall be clearly visible and printed in black.

(4) A graphical representation of the label referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article is given in Appendix I.

#### Article 4

(1) The seller shall ensure that the label referred to in Article 3 of this Ordinance is displayed, in a clearly visible manner, on or near each new passenger car model offered for sale or lease at the point of sale.

(2) In case the seller is not the dealer, he shall ensure that the label referred to in Article 3 of this Ordinance is obtained from the dealer.

### III GUIDE ON FUEL ECONOMY AND CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

#### Article 5

The guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions shall contain the following information:

1. a listing of all new passenger car models available for purchase on the market of the Republic of Croatia in the current year, grouped by makes in alphabetic order;

2. for each model that appears in the guide: the fuel type, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption expressed in either litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km) or cubic metres per 100 kilometres (m<sup>3</sup>/100 km) and quoted to one decimal place, and the numerical value of the official specific emission of CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed in grams per 100 kilometres (g/km), and quoted to the nearest whole number;

3. a prominent listing of the 10 most fuel-efficient new passenger car models ranked in order of increasing specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> for each fuel type. The listing must contain the model, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption and the official specific emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>;

4. advice to motorists that correct use and regular maintenance of the vehicle and driving behaviour, such as avoiding aggressive driving, travelling at lower speeds, anticipation braking, correctly inflating tyres, reducing periods of idling, not carrying excessive weight, improve the fuel consumption and reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of their passenger car;

5. an explanation of the effects of greenhouse gas emissions, potential climate change and the relevance of motor cars as well as a reference to the different fuel options available to the consumer and their environmental implications based on the latest scientific evidence and legislative requirements;
6. the Community's target for the average emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from new passenger cars and the date by which the target should be achieved;
7. a reference to the availability of the Commission's guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions on the Internet.

#### Article 6

(1) For the purpose of compiling the guide referred to in Article 5 of this Ordinance, the dealer shall transmit the following information to the central state administration body competent for road traffic safety at the latest by 1 February of the current year:

1. new passenger car models known or expected to be placed on the market for sale or lease in the Republic of Croatia;
2. division by type, variant and version of new passenger cars intended to be placed on the market for sale or lease in the Republic of Croatia;
3. for each type, variant and version, information on official fuel consumption and the official specific CO<sub>2</sub> emission data.

(2) The central state administration body competent for road traffic safety shall compile the guide referred to in Article 5 of this Ordinance on an annual basis, at the latest by 31 March of the current year.

(3) The central state administration body competent for road traffic safety shall deliver the guide referred to in Article 5 of this Ordinance to the dealers in the requested number and at a price not exceeding the costs of its preparation.

#### Article 7

(1) The seller shall make the latest edition of the guide referred to in Article 5 of this Ordinance available free of charge to consumers at the point of sale.

(2) The seller that is not the dealer must obtain a sufficient number of copies of the guide referred to in Article 5 from the dealer.

(3) The seller shall ensure that a guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of new passenger car models is available to consumers no later than fifteen days from the day of its publication.

### IV INFORMATION GIVEN ON A POSTER OR DISPLAY

#### Article 8

(1) The passenger car seller shall ensure that, for each make of car, a poster or a display is exhibited with information on official fuel consumption data and the official specific CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data of all passenger car types, variants and versions displayed or offered for sale or lease at or through that point of sale.

(2) The poster or display referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall contain the following:

1. a list of new passenger car models ranked in order of increasing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in separate groups according to fuel type (petrol, diesel, biodiesel, liquid petrol gas, compressed natural gas, hybrid systems etc.), with the model with the lowest official fuel consumption being placed at the top of the list;

2. for each new passenger car model in the list the make, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption expressed in either litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km) or cubic metres per 100 kilometres (m<sup>3</sup>/100 km) and quoted to one decimal place, and the numerical value of the official specific emission of CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed in grams per 100 kilometres (g/km), and quoted to the nearest whole number are given.

3. the following text:

"A guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which contains data for all new passenger car models is available at any point of sale free of charge";

"In addition to the fuel efficiency of a car, driving behaviour as well as other non-technical factors play a role in determining a car's fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> is the main greenhouse gas responsible for global warming."

In the case of a display featuring an electronic screen this message must be permanently visible.

(3) The poster or display referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be clearly visible. The minimum size of the poster or display shall be 70 cm × 50 cm. The information in the poster or display shall be easy to read. In a display where information is provided on an electronic screen, the screen size shall be at least 25 cm × 32 cm. The information may be shown using scroll techniques.

(4) The poster/display will be updated at least every six months. Where an electronic display is used, the information shall be updated at least every three months.

(5) In case the poster/display is substituted completely and permanently by an electronic screen, the information in the electronic screen shall be presented in such a way that it attracts the attention of the consumer in the same way a poster/display would.

(6) A graphical representation of the poster or display is given in Appendix II.

## V CONSUMER INFORMATION AND PROMOTION

### Article 9

(1) The dealer shall ensure that all promotional literature contains the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO<sub>2</sub> emission data of the new passenger car models to which it refers.

(2) Information referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be:

1. easy to read and no less prominent than the main part of the information provided in the promotional literature;

2. easy to understand even on superficial contact;

(3) Official fuel consumption data should be provided for all different new car models which the promotional material covers. If more than one model is specified, then either the official fuel consumption data for all the models specified is included or the range between the worst and best fuel consumption is stated.

(4) If the promotional literature only contains reference to the make, and not to any particular model, then fuel consumption data need not be provided.

(5) The dealer shall ensure that information on the official fuel consumption data and the official CO<sub>2</sub> emission data of the specific car model to which it refers is published in promotional material other than the promotional literature referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

#### Article 10

(1) The dealer shall submit to the central government body competent for environmental protection affairs, by 1 July of each year, a report on the effectiveness of consumer information on fuel economy in respect of the marketing of new passenger cars.

(2) The report on the effectiveness of consumer information mentioned above shall clearly state the number of new passenger cars sold or leased, with reference to their official fuel consumption and the official specific CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

### VI TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

#### Article 11

(1) Dealers shall transmit information required for the compilation of the guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the year 2008 to the central state administration body competent for road traffic safety by 29 February 2008.

(2) The central state administration body competent for road traffic safety shall publish the guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the year 2008 by 1 June 2008.

(3) Sellers of new passenger cars shall ensure that labels referred to in Article 3 of this Ordinance and posters and displays referred to in Article 8 of this Ordinance are displayed in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance by 29 February 2008 at the latest.

(4) Promotional literature prepared before the entry into force of this Ordinance may continue to be used until 30 June 2008.

#### Article 12

Appendices I and II are printed along with this Ordinance and form an integral part thereof.

#### Article 13

This Ordinance shall enter into force on the eighth day after the day of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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#### APPENDIX I

#### GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF THE LABEL ON FUEL ECONOMY AND CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

Manufacturer:	
Make:	
Type, variant, version:	
Fuel type:	
Fuel consumption:	XX, X l/100 km or XX, X m <sup>3</sup> /100 km
Urban:	
Extra-urban:	
Composite:	
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions:	XXX g/km

A guide on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which contains data for all new passenger car models is available at any point of sale free of charge.

In addition to the fuel efficiency of a car, driving behaviour as well as other non-technical factors play a role in determining a car's fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> is the main greenhouse gas responsible for global warming.

## APPENDIX II

### GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF THE POSTER OR DISPLAY EXHIBITED AT THE POINT OF SALE

Fuel type	Ranking	Model	Official fuel consumption (l/100 km or m <sup>3</sup> /100 km)	Official specific emission of CO <sub>2</sub> (g/km)
Petrol	1			
	2			
	...			
Diesel	1			
	2			
	...			
Biodiesel	1			
	2			
	...			
Liquid Petrol Gas (LPG)	1			
	2			
	...			
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	1			
	2			
	...			
Hybrid systems	1			
	2			
...	...			