

Message 001

Communication from the Commission - TRIS/(2026) 2551

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Notification of a draft text from a Member State

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Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délai - Kein Fristbeginn - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nezahajuje prodlení - Fristerne indledes ikke - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - No abre el plazo - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Ne otvara razdoblje kašnjenja - Nem nyitja meg a késésekét - Non fa decorrere la mora - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Atlikšanas laikposms nesākas - Ma jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dewmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nezačína oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Inleder ingen frist - Ní osclaíonn sé na moilleanna

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4. 2026/0496/BE - T40T - Urban and road transport

5. Draft decision amending the decision of the BHR of 25 January 2018 on the establishment of a low-emission zone in order to introduce a one-month and one-year access fee and certain derogations

6. Use of motor vehicles in the low-emission zone

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8. The draft relaxes several provisions of the Decree of the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region of 25 January 2018 on the establishment of a low-emission zone. It provides for the possibility for vehicles the use of which in the low-emission zone is prohibited from 1 January 2025 to continue driving in the low-emission zone for another five years subject to the purchase of a monthly or annual pass. In addition, the draft also includes derogations for specific target groups (low-income persons with at least three dependants, certain specifically adapted vehicles, and persons who use their vehicle for professional reasons and who hold a specific parking card (including for home care and urgent medical care): these persons may continue to drive in the low-emission zone with a prohibited vehicle. The actual restrictions on use are set out in Article 5(1) of the Decree of the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region of 25 January 2018 on the establishment of a low-emission zone and have already been notified under the TRIS procedure.

9. The draft aims to introduce relaxations for socio-economic reasons for certain target groups. The actual restrictions on use are intended to improve air quality and have been introduced in the context of an infringement procedure under Directive 2008/50/EC.

9a. The monitoring of the air quality by Brussels Environment shows that air quality is improving, faster than expected based on the natural renewal of the fleet of cars. The current draft aims to introduce some relaxations. The annual evaluation of the Brussels low-emission zone can be consulted here: <https://www.lez.brussels/mytax/nl/practical?tab=Impact>.

9b. The draft may affect the internal market in that it would relax the restrictions on the use of vehicles and broaden the range of vehicle types that may be used in the Brussels-Capital Region, provided that a monthly or annual pass is purchased or an exemption is obtained. The project has therefore a limited impact on the internal market.

9c. None: these are relaxations.

10. Numbers or titles of the basic texts: 2023/0432/BE, 2021/0551/B

The basic texts were submitted with a previous notification:

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11. No

12.

13. No

14. No

15. No

16.

TBT aspects: No

SPS aspects: No

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