

UK CORE CITIES & OTHER KEY CITIES – RUC SCHEME SUMMARY

City Name	Scheme	Status	Type	Charges	Timings	Other details of the Scheme
Cambridge	Congestion Charge	Second stage consultation in 2022/23 To be implemented from 2026	Area based	£5/day- For Cars and motorcycles. £10/day – For non-compliant LGVs. £5 for zero emission. £50/day – For non-compliant Coaches & HGVs	Charges will be applied during morning peak in 2026 (07:00 to 10:00) and all day (07:00 to 19:00) from 2027 onwards.	A charging scheme designed to reduce traffic and congestion in the city centre and generate revenue to invest in better bus services, more walking and cycling infrastructure, and measures to make better use of the network. The Strategic Outline Case was released in September 2022, and is expected to go out for consultation in October 2022.
London	Congestion Charge	Implemented from Feb 2003	Boundary-based	For non-compliant vehicles, the charge is £17.5/day (or £15/day if paid in advance or on same day)	07:00-18:00 Monday-Friday and 12:00-18:00 Sat-Sun and bank holidays except between Christmas Day to New Year's Day bank holiday (inclusive).	London's congestion charge system aims to reduce inner-city traffic and prevent pollution. The system requires a daily charge for people driving within an eight-square-mile zone of central London.
	Ultra Low Emission Zone	Implemented from April 2019	Area-based	For non-compliant vehicles, £12.5/day.	24/7, every day of the year except Christmas Day.	The zone covers all areas within the North and South Circular Roads. The North Circular (A406) and South Circular (A205) roads are not in the zone.
	Low Emission Zone	Implemented from Feb 2008	Area-based	For non-compliant vehicles, £100-300/day (ranging based on PM emissions)	24/7 every day of the year except Christmas Day.	
Birmingham	Clean Air Zone, Class D	Implemented from June 2021	Area-based	£8/day- For non-compliant Cars, Minibuses, LGVs. £50/day – For non-compliant Coaches, Buses, HGVs	24/7	One-time daily charge for non-compliant vehicles travelling into and within CAZ. Covers an area of the city centre inside the A4540 Middleway (but not the Middleway itself).
Bristol	Clean Air Zone, Class D	Implemented from November 2022	Area-based	£9/day- For non-compliant Cars, Minibuses, LGVs. £100/day – For non-compliant Coaches, Buses, HGVs	24/7	One-time daily charge for non-compliant vehicles travelling into and around the CAZ. Covers an area of the city centre.

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Glasgow	Low Emission Zone	To be Implemented from June 2023	Area - based	For non-compliant vehicles £60 per entry into LEZ, charge doubling each time vehicle returns within a 90-day period	24/7	A penalty is charged each time a high-polluting vehicle travels into the LEZ. It will cover an area of the city centre, bounded by the M8 motorway to the north and west, the River Clyde to the south and Saltmarket/High St to the east.
Newcastle	Clean Air Zone, Class C	Implemented Jan 2023	Boundary based	£12.5 per day for non-compliant vans/LGVs and Taxis. £50 per day for non-compliant coaches, buses and lorries/HGVs.	24/7 (tentatively)	Zone will cover most of Newcastle city centre, including routes over the Tyne, Swing, Redheugh and high-level bridges.
Nottingham	Workplace Parking Levy	Implemented from 2012	Workplace parking levy on 11 or more parking spaces by single employer.	£458/parking space/year for employers who provide 11 or more liable places.	Not Applicable	Nottingham City Council has introduced a WPL to tackle problems associated with traffic congestion, by both providing funding for major transport infrastructure initiatives and by acting as an incentive for employers to manage their workplace parking provision.
Sheffield	Clean Air Zone, Class C	To be Implemented from early 2023	Boundary-based	£10 per day for non-compliant vans/LGVs and Taxis. £50 per day for non-compliant coaches, buses and lorries/HGVs.	24/7 (tentatively)	This is a class C chargeable zone for the most polluting large goods vehicles, vans, buses and taxi's that drive within the inner ring road and city centre. Private cars and motorbikes will not be charged.
Edinburgh	Low Emission Zone	Implemented in May 2022 and enforcement will start from June 2024 following grace period of 2 year for all.	Area-based	For non-compliant vehicles £60 per entry into LEZ, charge doubling each time vehicle returns within a 90-day period.	24/7	A city centre low emission zone (LEZ) was introduced as it would reduce harmful emissions across the whole city, not just within the zone and would help meet legal emission levels of certain pollutants, including nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂) which are currently higher than the legal standard.