

New car emission test across the EU

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Tougher and more realistic emission tests await new car models before they hit European roads.

According to a [statement](#) issued by the European Commission, the new tests are more reliable and must take in "real driving conditions which will help to rebuild confidence in the performance of new cars".

The new rules came into force on September 1, replacing a single laboratory test that has not been updated for 20 years.

Nitrogen oxide and particulate emissions will be measured while driving and the laboratory test procedure will test for all emissions. Both tests are now mandatory for all new car models and will be phased in for all new cars between 2018 and 2019. The new tests are part of European regulations designed to improve air quality and tackle climate change.

The new tests - which came into force following the vehicle emission test scandals involving a number of car manufacturers - will only apply to new cars from September until the end of the year and to all vehicles from September 2018. They will help eliminate loopholes used by car manufacturers under the current New European Driving Cycle (NEDC) system, which dates back to the 1970s.

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