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Road User Charge introduced in the territory of the Republic of Latvia from 1 July 2014



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Subject: introduction of Road User Charge in Latvia from July 1, 2014

Dear Ms. Shatberashvili,

On behalf of the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Latvia we would like to inform you that **road user charge** is being introduced in the territory of the Republic of **Latvia** starting **from July 1**st, **2014**.

The charge is to be paid for use of sections of main roads, except for crossing them, including on roundabouts, by commercial vehicles and their combinations with maximum permissible weight from over 3500 kg and which are intended or are used for the carriage of goods by road.

The road user charge is applied for the time spent on the road and depending on the number of axles and engine emission level. Daily rate varies from 8 to 11 EUR, while yearly rate ranges from 484 to 925 EUR.

Carriers may pay the charge online by a payment card at the website http://lvvignette.eu, which provides detailed information on the charge rates, sections of main roads, regulations and payment options.

The road user charge can be also paid at fuel stations of companies "VIRŠI-A", "LUKoil Baltija R" and "Statoil Fuel & Retail Latvia", as well as at the external border crossing points Terehova and Grebneva.

In case carrier has not paid the road user charge the amount of fine imposed by the controlling authorities is 120 EUR. If the carrier has made a partial payment of the road user charge the amount of fine is 40 EUR.

Taking into consideration the abovementioned, we would be grateful, if you could disseminate this information to the members of the ITF Road Transport Group.

Thank you in advance for cooperation and kind assistance.

Your sincerely,

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