

Graduated Fixed Penalties issued at the roadside by the Police or VOSA Revised 16th August 2013

From the beginning of April 2009 the Police have been authorised to issue Graduated Fixed Penalties at the roadside for the offences listed below. From the end of May 2009 VOSA are authorised to issue Graduated Fixed Penalties at the roadside for the same offences. The penalties are specifically targeting drivers rather than Operators. Anyone issued with a Fixed Penalty at the roadside has up to 28 days to either pay the fine or ask for the prosecution to be heard in Court.

Drivers are legally obliged to inform the Operator if they are issued with a fixed penalty.

Offence	Likely level of fine per offence
EC Drivers Hours Offences – Prosecutions against the driver	
Exceeding 4½ hours accumulated driving without taking the required break, but driving less than 5½ hours before taking the required break	£100.00
Exceeding 4½ hours accumulated driving without taking the required break, but driving less than 6½ hours before taking the required break	£200.00
Exceeding 4½ hours accumulated driving without taking the required break, and exceeding 6½ hours accumulated driving without taking the required break	£300.00
Exceeding 9 hours daily driving, but less than 10 hours daily driving	£100.00
Exceeding 10 hours daily driving, but less than 11 hours daily driving	£200.00
Driving 11 hours or more within one duty period	£300.00
Failure to take the required minimum daily rest of 9 hours. But more than 8 hours daily rest	£100.00
For only taking a daily rest of between 7 and 8 hours, rather than the minimum daily rest required of 9 hours	£200.00
For only taking a daily rest of 7 hours or less, rather than the required minimum daily rest required of 9 hours	£300.00
Failure to take a regular weekly rest period of at least 45 hours, when required, but taking a rest period of between 43 and 45 hours	£100.00
Failure to take a regular weekly rest period of at least 45 hours, when required, but taking a rest period of more than 42 hours	£120.00
Failure to take a regular weekly rest period of at least 45 hours – taking less than 42 hours	£300.00
Failure to take a reduced weekly rest period of at least 24 hours, when require, but taking a rest period of between 23 and 24 hours	£100.00
Failure to take a reduced rest period of at least 24 hours – taking less than 22 hours	£300.00
Exceeding maximum weekly driving limit of 56 hours in total, but less than 58 hours	£100.00
Exceeding maximum weekly driving limit of 56 hours in total, but less than 59 hours	£200.0
Driving for more than 59 hours in any one week period	£300.00
Exceeding accumulated driving time, maximum permitted in any two consecutive weeks, of 90 hours, by more than 2 hours	£100.00

Exceeding accumulated driving time, maximum permitted in any two consecutive weeks, of 90 hours, by more than 3 hours	£200.00
Exceeding accumulated driving time, maximum permitted in any two consecutive weeks, of 90 hours, by more than 4 hours	£300.00
Failure to use the required record sheet _ i.e. analogue chart or driver card or printout, as required	£200.00
Using someone else's digital tachograph driver card	£300.00
Not able to print, when requested – i.e. run out of print roll	£100.00
Driving offences – Prosecutions against the driver	
Speeding * There may be a change with regard to level of excess speed	£100.00
Lack of control of the vehicle – i.e. using a handheld mobile phone <i>*If taken to court a commercial vehicle driver can be fined up to £1,000.00</i>	£100.00
Failure to comply with traffic signs / directions – i.e. traffic lights / weight limits	£100.00
Failure to comply with records inspection / obstructing an officer	£300.00
Overloading offences	
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of the vehicle (inc. any trailer) by up to 10%	£100.00
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of the vehicle (inc.any trailer) by over 10%, but less than 15%	£200.00
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of the vehicle (inc. any trailer) by 15% or over	£300.00
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of any axle by up to 10%	£100.00
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of any axle by up to 10%, but less than 15%	£200.00
Exceeding maximum total authorised weight of any axle by up to 15% or over	£300.00
Construction & Use Offences – Prosecutions against the driver	
Failure to maintain vehicle in accordance with the regulations, so as not to be a danger or a nuisance – i.e. failing to carry out and be able to produce evidence of acceptable walk round checks and defect reporting	£100.00
Using a vehicle with defective brakes, steering or tyres	£100.00 to £200.00 + 3Penalty points
Failure to have a tread pattern of at least 1 millimetre on the tyre	£100.00 to £200.00 Per tyre
Using a vehicle with tachograph recording equipment that is not calibrated	£300.00
Using a vehicle fitted with a faulty speed limiter	£200.00
Using a vehicle that is not authorised on a Vehicle Operators Licence	£100.00
Failure to carry any load in a secure manner	£100.00