

[<sup>F1</sup>ANNEX IV

## INDICATIVE VEHICLE CLASS DETERMINATION

**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Inserted by [Directive 2006/38/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006 amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructures.](#)

The vehicle classes are defined by the table below.

Vehicles are classed in subcategories 0, I, II and III according to the damage they cause to the road surface, in ascending order (Class III is thus the category causing most damage to road infrastructure). The damage increases exponentially with the increase in axle weight.

All motor vehicles and vehicle combinations of a maximum permissible laden weight below 7,5 tonnes belong to damage class 0.

Motor vehicles

Driving axles with air suspension or recognised equivalent <sup>a</sup>		Other driving axle suspension systems		Damage class	
Number of axles and maximum permissible gross laden weight (in tonnes)		Number of axles and maximum permissible gross laden weight (in tonnes)			
Not less than	Less than	Not less than	Less than		
<i>Two axles</i>					
7,5	12	7,5	12	I	
12	13	12	13		
13	14	13	14		
14	15	14	15		
15	18	15	18		
<i>Three axles</i>					
15	17	15	17	II	
17	19	17	19		
19	21	19	21		
21	23	21	23		
23	25				
25	26				
		23	25		
		25	26		
<i>Four axles</i>					
23	25	23	25		I

<sup>a</sup> Suspension recognised as equivalent according to the definition in Annex II to Council Directive 96/53/EC of 25 July 1996 laying down for certain road vehicles circulating within the Community the maximum authorised dimensions in national and international traffic and the maximum authorised weights in international traffic (OJ L 235, 17.9.1996, p. 59). Directive as last amended by Directive 2002/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 67, 9.3.2002, p. 47).

*Status: EU Directives are being published on this site to aid cross referencing from UK legislation. After IP completion day (31 December 2020 11pm) no further amendments will be applied to this version.*

25	27	25	27	
27	29			
		27	29	II
		29	31	
		31	32	
29	31			
31	32			

- a Suspension recognised as equivalent according to the definition in Annex II to Council Directive 96/53/EC of 25 July 1996 laying down for certain road vehicles circulating within the Community the maximum authorised dimensions in national and international traffic and the maximum authorised weights in international traffic (OJ L 235, 17.9.1996, p. 59). Directive as last amended by Directive 2002/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 67, 9.3.2002, p. 47).

#### Vehicle combinations (articulated vehicles and road trains)

Driving axles with air suspension or recognised as equivalent		Other driving axle suspension systems		Damage class
Number of axles and maximum permissible gross laden weight (in tonnes)		Number of axles and maximum permissible gross laden weight (in tonnes)		
Not less than	Less than	Not less than	Less than	
<i>2 + 1 axles</i>				
7,5	12	7,5	12	I
12	14	12	14	
14	16	14	16	
16	18	16	18	
18	20	18	20	
20	22	20	22	
22	23	22	23	
23	25	23	25	
25	28	25	28	
<i>2 + 2 axles</i>				
23	25	23	25	
25	26	25	26	
26	28	26	28	
28	29	28	29	
29	31	29	31	II
31	33	31	33	
33	36	33	36	III
36	38			
<i>2 + 3 axles</i>				
36	38	36	38	
38	40			
		38	40	III
<i>3 + 2 axles</i>				
				II

---

**Status:** EU Directives are being published on this site to aid cross referencing from UK legislation. After IP completion day (31 December 2020 11pm) no further amendments will be applied to this version.

---

36 38	38 40	36	38	
		38 40	40 44	III
40	44			
<i>3 + 3 axles</i>				
36 38	38 40	36	38	I
		38	40	II
40	44	40	44	I