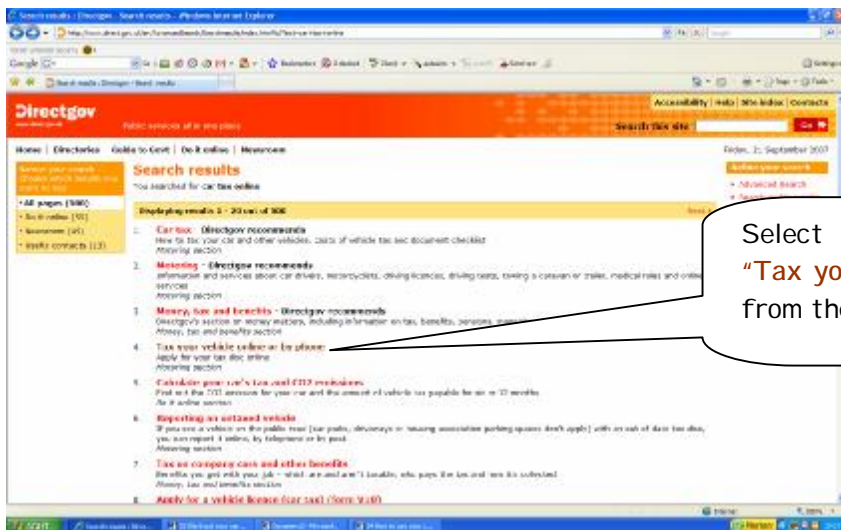


To pay your car tax online got to www.direct.gov.uk .



Type 'car tax online' into the search box at the top right of the page and click on [go].



Select "Tax your car online or by phone" from the search results.



This window gives you the basic information about how to use this system. Perhaps the most important thing to remember is that it will take "up to 5 working days" before the disc is posted to you.

Here are the main details from the page.

Tax your vehicle online or by phone

Tax your vehicle online or by phone using the vehicle licensing services provided by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA). You'll get a tax disc posted to you within five working days.

How the service works

You can use the service if you're the registered keeper and your name, address and any changes you have made to your vehicle are updated on DVLA records. An electronic check confirms that you have the necessary insurance, vehicle test (MOT) and entitlement to disability exemption (if appropriate). A tax disc and receipt for payment is posted to you within five working days.

What you need

To use the service you need:

Reference number

- the 16 digit reference number printed in the yellow box on the front of your V11 reminder (Vehicle Licence Application/Statutory Off Road Notification) OR
- the 11 digit reference number shown on the front of your Registration Certificate (V5C) and your vehicle registration number

Debit or credit card

There's a £2.50 service charge for using a credit card.

Vehicle test certificate (computer issued)

A valid MOT, Goods Vehicle or Passenger Service Vehicle (PSV) test (if needed) is checked on the Computerised MOT Database.

Insurance

Valid insurance covering your use of the vehicle is checked on the Motor Insurance Database run by the Motor Insurers Information Centre. If you're not the policyholder, you'll need permission from the policyholder to allow the electronic check. You cannot use the service if you've recently changed your Insurance Company.

Entitlement to disability exemption

If renewing a disabled tax disc, an electronic check of your entitlement is made with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) or Service Personnel and Veterans Agency.

Apply online here

- [Apply for a tax disc online \(opens new window\)](#)

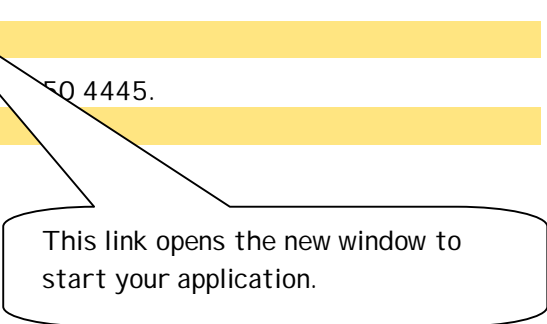
Apply by phone

Apply by phone on 0870 850 4444. Text phone/minicom 0870 850 4445.

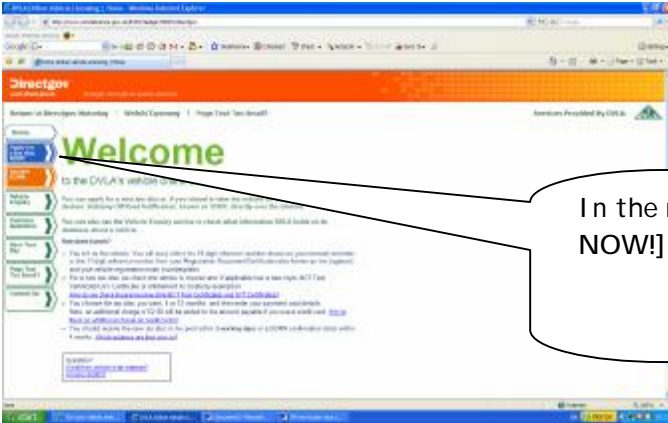
Unable to use the service?

You'll need to tax your vehicle in the usual way.

- [More about how to tax your vehicle](#)
- [More about vehicle tax for disabled people](#)



This link opens the new window to start your application.



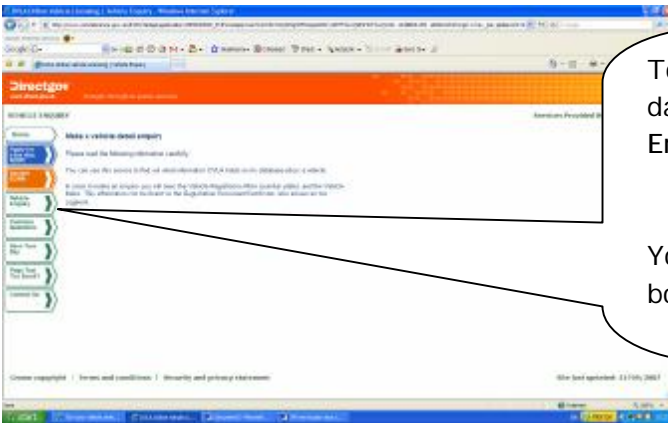
In the new window click on the [Apply for a tax disc NOW!] button to start your application.



Read the information here. When you are ready click on [Next] and enter the information required. Use [Cancel] to stop the process.



Another option is to declare your vehicle as 'statutory off road' - SORN. Click on the [Declare SORN] button to start.



To find out what information is held on the database about a vehicle click on the [Vehicle Enquiry] button to start.

You will need some of the information in the 'log book'.

