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GRIST**BELGIUM REDUCES TAX ON PRIVATE CAR USE BY EMPLOYEES**

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Employees in Belgium will pay a slightly reduced “benefit in kind” tax for the private use of a company car in 2020 because of changes to the vehicle carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions reference. The CO₂ emission changes feature in a 3 Dec 2019 [royal decree](#) (French) and employers should use the revised references in January 2020 payroll processing. Revised CO₂ references are:

- Petrol, LPG or natural gas cars — 111 g CO₂/km (up from 107g CO₂/km in 2019)
- Diesel cars — 91g/CO₂/km (up from 88 g CO₂/km in 2019)

To calculate the “benefit in kind” taxation applicable to the private use of company cars, employees are taxed at 6/7th of the car’s gross list price, multiplied by a percentage linked to the car’s CO₂ emission reference.

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- [Royal Decree](#) (French) (Official Journal, 11 Dec 2019)

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