

Exemptions for manufacturers of passenger cars with less than 1000 annual registrations

A manufacturer which, together with all of its connected undertakings, is responsible for fewer than 1 000 new vehicles registered in the previous calendar year may be exempt from meeting a specific emissions target pursuant to Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 443/2009, as amended by Regulation (EU) No 333/2014.

Every year the Commission notifies manufacturers of the number of registrations for which they are responsible. In this notification the Commission will inform the manufacturer, if, based on the information available, it is considered to be exempt from meeting a specific emissions target pursuant to Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 443/2009.

If the so notified manufacturer is not eligible for an exemption because it, together with all of its connected undertakings, is responsible for 1 000 or more new registered cars in the Union in the previous year, it must inform the Commission as soon as possible but no later than three months from receipt of the Commission's notification.

The notification shall be submitted to the Commission by mail, marked "**Non-eligibility Article 2(4) – CO2 from cars**" to the following address:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
Belgique/ België

An electronic copy of the declaration shall be sent for information to the following functional mailbox: EC-CO2-LDV-IMPLEMENTATION@ec.europa.eu

If the manufacturer is not eligible for the exemption under Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 443/2009, it will have to meet its specific emissions target. The Commission may, whenever it deems necessary, request proof of the eligibility and reserves the right to reassess the manufacturer's compliance with the target on the basis of such proof.

The criteria for being considered a connected undertaking are set out in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 443/2009. The standard format for the declaration is available on CIRCABC: <https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/5d21f826-0275-493a-a79a-23f05b0124c0>

Please also note that if a manufacturer meets the eligibility criteria for an exemption but has applied for and been granted a derogation target pursuant to Article 11 of Regulation (EC) No 443/2009 after 8 April 2014, it will be subject to meeting that derogation target.

Should you require further information on this issue please also send an e-mail to the Commission's functional mailbox: EC-CO2-LDV-IMPLEMENTATION@ec.europa.eu