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Italy – Presidential Decree 84/2003



Full Title: Presidential Decree of 17 February 2003, No. 84, relating to implementation of the European directive on the subject of fuel consumption and CO2 emission data. Amended by Ministerial Decree of 6th April 2005 (see below).

The Decree implements Directive 1999/94/EC relating to the availability of consumer information on fuel economy and CO2 emissions in respect of the marketing of new passenger cars.

Relevant Amendment Decree 6th April 2005 ([Italian Official Journal: n. 127, 3rd June, 2005](#)) – amending Annex III Implementation of Directive 2003/73/EC amending Annex III of Directive 1999/94/EC concerning the availability of information on fuel economy and CO2 emissions, to be provided to consumers relating to the marketing of new passenger cars.

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Chapter I Scope of Application and Definitions

Article 1 Definitions

- (b) "new passenger car": a passenger car which has not previously been sold except for the purpose of selling or supplying it.
- (d) "point of sale" means a location, such as a car showroom or an open space, where new cars are on display or offered for sale or lease to potential customers, including, trade fairs where new passenger cars are presented to the public.
- (i) "Fuel Economy Label" means a label which contains consumer information regarding the official fuel consumption and the official specific emissions of CO2 of the car to which the label is affixed.
- (l) "fuel economy guide" means a compilation of the official fuel consumption data and official specific emissions of CO2 for each model available on the new car market.
- (m) "Promotional literature": all printed material used for the marketing, advertising and promotion of vehicles to the general public. This definition includes as a minimum technical manuals, brochures, advertisements in newspapers and magazines, the trade press and advertising posters;

Article 2 Purpose and Scope

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This Regulation is designed to provide consumers with information about the fuel consumption and CO2 emissions of new passenger cars, for sale or lease, as defined under Article 1, paragraph 1, letter b).

Chapter II**Measures to promote information to consumers**

Article 3**Affixing/ Displaying the Label**

The retailer or dealer, who exhibits or offers for sale or lease, passenger cars referred to in Article 2, must affix in a visible manner on each passenger car model at the point of sale or affix in the vicinity of the same passenger car, a label on fuel consumption and CO2 emissions, which complies with the requirements set out in Annex I of this Regulation.

Article 4**Preparing the Guide**

1. For the purposes of para. 2, the manufacturers provide to the Ministry of Industry (now Ministry of Economic Development), by 15th December each year, the information referred to in paras. 1 and 2 of Annex II to this Regulation. For the first year, the information is provided within 15 days from the entry into force of this Regulation.

2. Based on the information referred to in para. 1, the Ministry of Industry (now Ministry of Economic Development) produces the annual Guide to Fuel Economy and CO2 emissions, containing the information specified in Annex II to this Regulation. The Guide, approved by Order of the Ministry of Industry, in consultation with the Ministry of the Environment and for Protection of Land and Sea, and the Ministry for Infrastructures and Transport, and published in the Italian Official Gazette ('Gazzetta Ufficiale'), as well as on the websites of the Ministry of the Environment and Ministry for Infrastructures and Transport.

3. The retailer/ dealer, at the consumer's request, must make the Guide available for free at the point of sale. The Guide is also available from the provincial Chambers of Commerce, Industry, Craftsmanship and Agriculture.

Article 5**Putting up a Poster or Display Screen**

1. For each make of passenger car, the dealer/ retailer exhibits a poster or display screen containing a list of the official fuel consumption data and the official specific CO2 emissions data of all new passenger car models displayed or offered for sale or lease at or through that point of sale. This data shall be displayed in a prominent position and in accordance with the format in Annex III.

2. For the purposes of para. 1, the manufacturer, in respect to the models produced, provides the retailer/ dealer, for each passenger car model, the poster in printed form, or upon request in an appropriate format to be displayed on the screen referred to in para. 1.

Article 6**Disclosure of Promotional Literature**

1. Promotional Literature, as defined in this Regulation, must contain the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO2 emission data/ values of the passenger car models to which it refers and must comply with the requirements of Annex IV.

2. The promotional literature other than that referred to in para. 1 must include the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO2 emission data/ values of the passenger car models to which it refers.

Article 7**Transparency of Information**

It is prohibited to apply/affix on labels, guides, posters or promotional literature referred to in Articles 3,4,5,6, other marks, symbols or inscriptions relating to fuel consumption or CO2 emissions which do not comply with the provisions of this Regulation

Chapter III**Community Compliance and Sanctions**

Article 11**Sanctions**

Anyone who fails to comply with the obligations set forth in Articles 3,4,5,6, and 7 or carries

them out in an incomplete or incorrect way, will be liable to a pecuniary administrative sanction of between €250 and €1,000.

Annex I

Description of the label relating to fuel consumption & CO2 emissions (as referenced in Article 3, Para 1)

All labels relating to fuel consumption on the national territory must present at least the following requirements:

- 1) The standardised format referred to in Appendix 1;
- 2) Dimensions of 297 mm x 210 mm (A4);
- 3) A reference to the model and type of fuel of the vehicle on which they are placed;
- 4) The numerical value corresponding to the official fuel consumption and official specific CO2 emissions. The official fuel consumption value is expressed as one or more of the following ratios, indicated to the first decimal place; litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km), kilometres per litre (km/l). The official specific CO2 emissions value is expressed in grams per kilometre (g/km) approximated to the closest integer. These values may be expressed in different units if they are compatible with the provisions contained in Presidential Decree No. 802 of 12 August 1982 and subsequent amendments and inclusions;
- 5) Contain the following wording relating to the availability of the guide to fuel saving and CO2 emissions: "A guide relating to fuel saving and CO2 emissions including data on all new vehicle models is available free of charge from any point of sale";
"È disponibile gratuitamente presso ogni punto vendita una guida relativa al risparmio di carburante e alle emissioni di CO2, che riporta i dati inerenti a tutti i nuovi modelli di autovetture."
- 6) Contain the following wording: "Driving style and other non-technical factors contribute to determining a vehicle's fuel consumption and CO2 emissions, in addition to engine performance. Carbon dioxide is the greenhouse gas mainly responsible for global warming."
"Oltre al rendimento del motore, anche lo stile di guida ed altri fattori non tecnici contribuiscono a determinare il consumo di carburante e le emissioni di CO2 di un'autovettura. Il biossido di carbonio e' il gas ad effetto serra principalmente responsabile del riscaldamento terrestre."

Appendix I

Environmental information relating to fuel consumption and CO2 emissions of vehicles; Appendix I

[Key to the table in Italian set out later on this page)

Make/Model				
Cylinder Capacity				
(Times New Roman 12 font)				
Fuel Type:	Petrol	Diesel	LPG	Methane

Fuel Consumption								
Driving Cycle	Litres/100Km				Km/L			
	Petrol	Diesel	LPG	Methane	Petrol	Diesel	LPG	Methane
Urban	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////
Extra-urban	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////
Combined	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////	///////

Carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions

g/Km			
Petrol	Diesel	LPG	Methane
/////	/////	/////	/////

A guide relating to fuel saving and CO2 emissions including data on all new vehicle models is available free of charge from any point of sale.

Driving style and other non-technical factors contribute to determining a vehicle’s fuel consumption and CO2 emissions, in addition to engine performance. Carbon dioxide is the greenhouse gas mainly responsible for global warming

Marca/Modello..... Cilindrata..... (carattere di stampa Times New Roman 12)				
Tipo di carburante:	/ / Benzina	/ / Gasolio	/ / Gpl	/ / Metano

Consumo di carburante								
Ciclo di guida	Litri /100 Km				Km/Litro			
	Benzina	Gasolio	Gpl	Metano	Benzina	Gasolio	Gpl	Metano
Urbano	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///
Extra-Urbano	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///
Misto	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///

Emissioni di biossido di carbonio (CO ₂)			
g/Km			
Benzina	Gasolio	Gpl	Metano
///.///	///.///	///.///	///.///

È disponibile gratuitamente presso ogni punto vendita una guida relativa al risparmio di carburante e alle emissioni di CO2, che riporta i dati inerenti a tutti i nuovi modelli di autovetture.

Oltre al rendimento del motore, anche lo stile di guida ed altri fattori non tecnici contribuiscono a determinare il consumo di carburante e le emissioni di CO2 di un'autovettura. Il biossido di carbonio e' il gas ad effetto serra principalmente responsabile del riscaldamento terrestre.

Annex II: Description of the Guide on Fuel Economy and CO2 Emissions (as referenced in Article 4(1))

The guide on fuel economy and CO2 emissions must contain at least the following information:

- 1) A list of all new passenger car models available for purchase within the Member States on a yearly basis, grouped by makes in alphabetic order. If in a Member State the guide is updated more than once a year, then the guide should contain a listing of all new passenger car models available on the date of the publication of this update;
- 2) For each model that appears in the guide, the fuel type, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption and the official specific emissions of CO2. The value of the official fuel consumption is expressed in either litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km) or kilometres per litre

(km/l), and is quoted to one decimal place. The official specific emissions of CO₂ are expressed in grams per kilometre (g/km) rounded to the nearest whole number.

Such values can be expressed in different units to the extent compatible with the provisions contained in Presidential Decree, no. 802 of 12 August 1982, as subsequently amended and supplemented.

3) A list of the 10 most fuel-efficient new passenger car models ranked in order of increasing specific emissions of CO₂ for each fuel type. The list must contain the model, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption and the official specific emissions of CO₂.

4) Advice to motorists that correct use and regular maintenance of the vehicle and driving behaviour (such as avoiding aggressive driving, travelling at lower speeds, anticipation braking, correctly inflating tyres, reducing periods of idling, not carrying excessive weight) improve the fuel consumption and reduce the CO₂ emissions of the passenger car;

5) An explanation of the effects of greenhouse gas emissions, potential climate change and the relevance of motor cars as well as a reference to the different fuel options available to the consumer and their environmental implications based on the latest scientific evidence and legislative requirements;

6) A reference to the Community's target for the average emissions of CO₂ from new passenger cars and the date of which the target should be achieved

7) A reference to the Commission's guide on fuel economy and CO₂ emissions on the Internet, when available.

Annex III:**Description of the poster/electronic display screen to be displayed at points of sale** (as referenced in Art. 5, Para 1)

1) The poster must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- a) Minimum dimension of 70 cm x 50 cm;
- b) The data included must be easy to read.

2) If an electronic display is used and the information is provided on screen, the latter must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- a) Minimum dimension of 25 cm x 32 cm (17")
- b) The data included may be displayed via scrolling techniques.

3) Vehicle models shall be divided and listed separately according to fuel type (petrol or diesel). For each fuel type, the models shall be listed in increasing order of CO₂ emissions with the model with the lowest official fuel consumption placed first on the list.

4) For each vehicle model on the list, the numerical value of the official fuel consumption and official specific CO₂ emissions shall appear. The official fuel consumption is expressed as one or more of the following ratios, indicated to the first decimal place: litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km) and kilometres per litre (km/l). The official specific CO₂ emissions are expressed in grams per kilometre (g/km) and approximated to the nearest integer (whole number). These values may be expressed in different units if they are compatible with the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 802 of 12 August 1982 and subsequent amendments and inclusions;

5) The following text must appear in the poster or on the display regarding fuel saving and CO₂ emissions: "A guide relating to fuel saving and CO₂ emissions, including data on all new vehicle models, is available free of charge from every point of sale".

"È disponibile gratuitamente presso ogni punto vendita una guida relativa al risparmio di carburante e alle emissioni di CO₂, che riporta i dati inerenti a tutti i nuovi modelli di autovetture."

In the case of a display with an electronic display screen, the message must be visible at all times.

6) The following text must appear in the poster or on the display:

"Driving style and other non-technical factors contribute to determining a vehicle's fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions, in addition to engine performance. Carbon dioxide is the

greenhouse gas mainly responsible for global warming.”

“Oltre al rendimento del motore, anche lo stile di guida ed altri fattori non tecnici contribuiscono a determinare il consumo di carburante e le emissioni di CO2 di un'autovettura. Il biossido di carbonio e' il gas ad effetto serra principalmente responsabile del riscaldamento terrestre.”

7) The poster or display must be fully updated every six months at least. If an electronic display is used, the data must be updated at least quarterly.

8) The poster or display may be replaced completely and permanently by an electronic display screen. In this case, the electronic display screen shall be presented such as to solicit the awareness of consumers with the same level of intensity as the poster or display.

(Annex III chart)

Type of fuel	Place	Model	CO2 Emissions	Fuel consumption
Petrol	1			
	2			
			
Diesel	1			
	2			
			

Annex IV: Presentation of data relating to fuel consumption and CO2 emissions in promotional literature (as referenced in Article 6, Para 1)

All promotional literature published must contain the official values relating to the official fuel consumption and official specific CO2 emissions of the vehicles to which it refers. This information must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- 1) It must be easy to read with the same clarity as the main information provided in the promotional literature;
- 2) It must be easy to understand even with a superficial reading;
- 3) The official fuel consumption of all models presented in the pamphlet must be indicated. If several models are specified, the value relating to the official fuel consumption of each one or the interval between the highest and lowest consumption value shall be indicated. Consumption is expressed as one or more of the following ratios: litres per 100 kilometres (l/100 km) and kilometres per litre (km/l). All numerical values are expressed to the first decimal place.

These values may be expressed in different units if they are compatible with the provisions contained in Presidential Decree No. 802 of 12 August 1982 and subsequent amendments and inclusions.

If the promotional literature contains only a reference to the make and not to a version or particular model, it is not necessary to provide fuel consumption data.