



SPEED LIMITS



Did you know?

- Penalties for speeding range from £100 - £2,500 and between 3 and 6 penalty points.
- Drivers who go to court for speeding, could be fined up to 175% of their weekly salary and even be disqualified from driving.
- Speeding fines vary for certain types of roads and for different vehicle ratings.

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As a rule, the UK speed limit for vans is 10 mph slower than the maximums for cars.

Speed limits for vans are lower due to vans often weighing more than passenger cars and having a higher centre of gravity, which means the stopping distances are greater. They are not as easy to control and they can inflict greater damage on other vehicles.

Many van drivers are not aware that speed limits for most light commercial vehicles (LCVs) are lower than passenger cars on carriageways.

Best practice tips:

Some local councils will implement different speed limits. Keep an eye out for any signs that might indicate this.



3 top tips to avoid speeding:

- Use cruise control, especially on motorways.
- Do not rely on the satnav, as they often display incorrect speed limits.
- Use a speed limiter to set a maximum speed limit.

Van drivers should be aware that the speed limit drops on motorways if they are towing.

Speed Limits for vans:

Type of Van	Built-up Area*	Single Carriageway	Dual Carriageway	Motorway
Van	30	50	60	70
Car-derived Van	30	60	70	70
Van & Trailer	30	50	60	60

*The 30mph limit usually applies to all traffic on all roads with street lighting unless signs show otherwise.