

2016 No. 1204

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND

The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2016

Made - - - - - *12th December 2016*

Coming into force - - - *1st January 2017*

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 9(1), 9(2)(b), 9(3)(b), 9(4) and 9(6) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992(a) hereby makes the following Order.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2016 and shall come into force on 1st January 2017.

Level of tolls

2. The tolls leviable in respect of vehicles within the categories referred to in section 8(1) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 using either of the bridges shall be as follows:-

Category 1 vehicles	£6.70
Category 2 vehicles	£13.40
Category 3 vehicles	£20.00

Revocation

3. The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2015(b) is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

12th December 2016

John Hayes
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Transport

(a) 1992 c.3.
(b) S.I. 2015/2030.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 9(2)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (“the Act”) provides for the tolls for the use of the bridges to be fixed by annual orders made in December of each year. This Order fixes the tolls payable for use of the two bridges, commonly known as the Severn Bridge and the Second Severn Crossing, during the year 2017.

The tolls will be payable only for traffic travelling from east to west and for vehicles (other than those exempted by section 8(5) of the Act) within the categories specified in section 8(1) of the Act. These are (1) motor cars and motor caravans, (2) small goods vehicles and small buses and (3) other goods vehicles and buses.

Under section 9 of this Act, the toll for each category can be fixed by adjusting the amounts shown in the table in section 9(3) by the percentage increase in the Retail Prices Index between March 1989 and September 2016 and applying the rounding provisions of section 9(6). Following the Concessionaire’s proposal, the toll has been fixed at an amount which implement the increases only in part for category 2 and category 3 this is in accordance with the provisions of section 10 of this Act.

The tolls levied in 2016 were as follows:-

Category 1 vehicles	£6.60
Category 2 vehicles	£13.20
Category 3 vehicles	£19.80

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