

# Guide to the New Numberplate Legislation

## Borders

A border is optional and can be up to 6mm wide. The border and personalisation may be any colour but it must be permanent and have passed BSAU 145d approval. The border must not interfere with the Euroflag.

The new format will consist of 2 letters, 2 numbers, a space of 33mm and a group of 3 letters.

## Euro Plate

The only legal Euro plate option for a vehicle registered in the UK is the Euro flag of twelve stars accompanied by the letters GB. Any variation of this is illegal. To comply, the Euro symbol must be an integral part of the retro-reflective material, not an over-sticker, printed to the acrylic, or a sticker laminated onto the plate.



## Acrylic

The acrylic face material has been improved to meet the new British Standard. Not only is the acrylic 14% thicker but the impact strength & clarity has been enhanced.

## Reflective

The reflective materials used must meet the requirements of BSAU 145d.

## Personalisations

The personalisation which may be any colour must include the name of the supplying outlet together with the postcode. This cannot be a single postcode for a dealer group. It can be in any size but cannot exceed an area greater than 178mm X 13mm, situated centrally at the base of plate.

## Digits

The digits must be in the prescribed font style which measures 79mm high X 50mm wide.

## British Standard

The British Standard Number and means of identification of the component supplier are to be contained in an area of 57mm X 13mm on the right hand side of the plate.

From 1 September 2001 a new numberplate format and British Standard came into force in the United Kingdom.  
The numberplate, not the individual components, must have a BSAU 145d certificate

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