

Grants for electric vehicles extended



A grant scheme to encourage the purchase of electric vehicles and quadricycles is being extended.

Transport Malta is offering the grant scheme in conjunction with the Transport Ministry.

It said in a statement that following the success of the scheme launched last January, a further €100,000 had been allocated and the scheme was now being extended to include councils.

The scheme is aimed at reducing the number of old motor vehicles from the road while promoting the use of clean and energy efficient vehicles as a way to contribute towards the reduction of traffic generated pollution and improvement of air quality levels.

A €4,000 grant will be given to persons registering a new or used electric car and €2,000 to those registering a new or used electric quadricycle. The grant will rise to €7,000 for those registering a new battery electric vehicle while de-registering another internal combustion engine-propelled vehicle, which was at least 10 years old.

The scheme is open to both new and second-hand battery electric vehicles. Second-hand vehicles should not exceed 12,000 km on the odometer or be more than 24 months old.

TM and the ministry also launched two new grants to further promote electromobility, with schemes for the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging pillars for the business community and NGOs, and that for the upgrade of new plug-in electric vehicle importers' service centres and staff training.

The first is aimed assisting market entry of the electric vehicle charging technology and to assist business undertakings and NGOs to switch to cleaner vehicle technology.

The second is aimed at assisting the market entry of the new plug-in electric vehicles which are not yet available on the national market and to assist car importers to start offering support servicing on their sold

electric vehicles.

Applications for all schemes are available from the Vehicle Licensing Unit or downloaded from the [authority's website](#) or from [here](#).