

# INDICATION OF AD HOC PRICE FOR RECHARGING STATIONS WITH A POWER OUTPUT < 50 KW:

the trader's obligation to provide information  
on the recharging price.

## What does displaying prices on recharging stations involve?

- Before initiating a recharging session, the customer must be informed of the charging prices, including all price components.
- Prices must be displayed in a clear, easily identifiable and easy-to-read manner. In Europe, the display of prices at recharging stations is strictly regulated.

### Please note:

- The recharging service is subject to a VAT rate of 8 %.
- The recharging service is not the same as providing a parking space.

Who does this apply to?

The operator of the recharging station who provides a recharging service directly to the end user on ad hoc basis.

What types of installation are covered?

- Publicly accessible recharging stations, meaning physical facilities for recharging electric vehicles, open to all users equally. Each recharging station may include several recharging points.
- Recharging points, meaning dedicated sockets capable of recharging one single electric vehicle at a time.

## **For professionals - the obligation to offer ad hoc recharging!**

All recharging points installed after 13 April 2024 must offer ad hoc recharging, i.e. a recharging service that end users can purchase without having to register, enter into a written agreement or establish a commercial relationship with the recharging point operator beyond the simple purchase of the recharging service.

The obligations to display prices set out in the Code of Consumption apply.

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## **Which recharging stations are covered?**

All publicly accessible recharging stations:

- that allow ad hoc recharging, and
- with a power output of less than 50 kW.

## **What must be displayed?**

It is recommended to display the total price including VAT, which can be made up of a price per kWh and a price per minute of recharging. If this is not possible, the professional may also display a fixed price, the session price.

In all cases, the professional must display the applicable price components in the following order:

- the price per kWh including VAT,
- the price per minute including VAT,
- the price per session including VAT,
- any other price component that applies.

## How must the prices be displayed?

- All the components making up the final price must be clearly indicated by the recharging point operator **before the initiation of the recharging**.
- The price can be displayed directly on a screen or a sign.
- Ad hoc recharging and the display of prices for this recharging can be provided via a website offering secure payment options. Access to the URL of this website can be simplified using a QR code displayed on the kiosk screen. In all cases, the QR code or URL must be clear, easily identifiable and easy-to-read.

Please note: the URL and QR code cannot be limited to a simple sticker affixed to the recharging station, but must be displayed on the station's screen.

## Practical example!



In general, the price per kWh is the main component of the final price. Usage or session prices are not systematically applied to all publicly accessible recharging stations. However, when they are billed, they must be clearly indicated before the initiation of the recharging session.

### Explanation of the components of the total price:

- **Price per kilowatt-hour (kWh):**

Refers to the price applied per unit of measurement of energy (expressed in kWh), actually transferred by the recharging station.

- **Usage price:**

Refers to the price for the unit of time (in minutes or hours) during which the use of the recharging station is billed.

- **Session price:**

An invariable flat rate regardless of how long the vehicle is connected or how much energy is drawn off.

- **Other charges:**

Other elements may apply, such as e-roaming charges or penalty charges for long parking.

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