

Sanral increases toll tariffs on all national roads

The Minister of Transport has approved the 2020 toll tariffs as recommended by the South African National Roads Agency SOC Ltd (Sanral). The adjustments were gazetted on 7 February 2020.



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The adjustments are made on an annual basis in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as obtained from Stats SA. The CPI percentage that was applied to determine the 1 March 2020 tariff adjustment is 4,31%.

The Department of Transport, through its agency Sanral, uses tolling selectively to implement major road infrastructure projects. Only 13% of the 22,214km networks constitute toll roads.

Toll roads allow for the borrowing of capital in order to develop road infrastructure when it is required, rather than having to wait until funds are available from a strained fiscus. Toll monies are applied to maintain, operate and improve toll roads, as well as to service debt incurred to implement a toll road project. The cost in the event of delayed maintenance on roads can be up to 18 times higher than it would have been if routine preventative maintenance was undertaken.

"We use the inflation rate as a guide, so that the toll tariffs remain the same in real terms, meaning there is effectively no increase to the rate from when the initial toll tariff that was implemented," explained Vusi Mona, general manager communications at Sanral.

Discounts offered at specific toll plazas for frequent users, as well as qualifying local users still apply. Application for discounts can be made at the toll plaza offices.

For details on the applicable tariffs, refer to Government Gazette number 43002.

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