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EU trilogue decides that from 2035 on only zero-emission passenger cars and light commercial vehicles will be registered

As announced by the Czech Council Presidency, on October 27th the negotiators of the EU states and the European Parliament agreed on a trilogue result on the fleet limit values for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles. **The negotiators agreed that the so-called fleet limits for cars shall drop to zero by 2035.** They specify to car manufacturers how much CO₂ the vehicles they produce are allowed to emit during operation.

Further, intermediate goals were agreed on. By 2030, CO₂ emissions of new passenger cars are to be reduced to 55 percent and light commercial vehicles to 50 percent.

The agreement includes a **review clause** ensuring that in 2026 the Commission will review progress towards the 100% emissions reduction target and the need for a review of those targets taking into account technological developments, including with regard to plug-in hybrid technologies, and the importance of a sustainable and socially just transition to zero emissions.

With regard to the **possibility of so-called e-fuels**, the EU Commission is **to draw up a proposal** for the period after 2035 for the new registration of vehicles that are operated exclusively with CO₂-neutral fuels, which is in conformity with the climate targets.

Parliament and Council still have to formally approve the trilogue result.

Press release:

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2022/10/27/first-fit-for-55-proposal-agreed-the-eu-strengthens-targets-for-co2-emissions-for-new-cars-and-vans/>

The Alliance of European Car Dealers and Repairers (AECDR) represents and promotes the interests of 57,500 franchised dealers and authorised repairers. In total these companies employ 1.175,000 people.