eSPSV Grant Scheme FAQs

This document sets out short answers to frequently asked questions about NTA administered eSPSV 2025 Grant Scheme. While all efforts have been made to be accurate in these answers, full details are available in the Terms and Conditions and Information Guide for the grant scheme available here, and applicants should have regard to the detail of those documents before taking any related actions.

Q: I applied in Round 1 and didn't complete the process can I apply in round 2?

Yes, the eSPSV grant 2025 scheme Round 2 is open to everybody including those who received Provisional Grant Offers in Round 1 but did not complete the process.

Q: How do I prepare to make sure my application goes through successfully?

Make sure you are tax clear when making your application, and also that the exact spelling of your name on our system and/or on the application, matches exactly your name with Revenue.

Q: eSPSV 2025 Grant Scheme - What has changed?

The scheme has not changed from Round 1, but note that the grant offer period has changed this year from three months to two. That means that an applicant must complete the licensing process within two months of receiving their grant offer letter. If you choose to purchase a vehicle that potentially has a long lead time, please note that if your grant offer expires before its available to you, you will not be eligible for funding. Grant offer extensions, if provided, will be limited.

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Q: Can I apply for a grant if I am renting a vehicle licence?

A grant application can only be made by the vehicle licence holder.

If you are currently renting, you can make an application for grant aid for a **new** licence, which are available for limousines and wheelchair accessible taxis and hackneys only.

Q: Can I combine WAV and ESPSV grants for my application?

Yes, if you plan on licensing an electric Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle you combine both grants for maximum funding. Note that you must apply separately for each grant. The 2025 WAV grant scheme is currently closed for new applications but is expected to reopen in July.

Where you receive grant offers for both schemes and wish to purchase an eWAV, the deadline for completing the process is the later of you eSPSV or WAV grants.

Q: I don't have an SPSV Driver's licence, can I apply for grant?

Yes, you do not need an SPSV driver license to apply for a grant.

Q: When should I purchase the car that I want to propose for grant?

You must hold a Provisional Grant Offer from NTA and be in a position to complete the grant application process in full before committing to purchasing your new vehicle. We strongly advise that you get your vehicle approved by the NTA before purchase.

This can be done by contacting the Information line or emailing us at espsygrant@nationaltransport.ie

Q: I'm looking to avail of the scrappage level of grant funding. Where can I scrap my car?

You must scrap your car at an authorised end of life facility, a list of which can be found at www.elves.ie

Evidence of scrappage must be supplied to NTA along with the payment form, after the change of vehicle process is complete and the new, grant aided vehicle has passed its inspection and is ready to operate.

Q: How is the funding that I receive calculated?

The funding is based on the age of the vehicle at time of licensing.

Age is calculated from date of first registration to the date of your initial suitability inspection. The funding amounts can be found in the Information Guide.

Q: I previously received a grant. Do I need to repay my old grant if I want to upgrade my car with a new grant?

If you have completed your 3-year service period on your existing vehicle, you can apply for a new grant for your new vehicle.

If you have not completed your service period, you can repay what is outstanding on your current grant, and receive a full new grant on new vehicle, starting a new 3-year service period.

Q: Can I sell my vehicle that had received a grant before?

If you have completed your 3-year service period, you can sell your vehicle. However, if you have **not** completed your service period and you wish to sell your vehicle, you will be required to pay back the outstanding portion of the funding received.

Q: How long does it take until I get my grant payment?

Once you have completed the licensing process by passing the inspection, and all fully completed documents (payment form, evidence of scrappage) have been received by NTA, you will receive payment within 20 working days.

Q: If I withdraw my current grant, will it affect my future application?

No, you will not be penalised for withdrawing or not following through with a grant application.