

## Legal use of radar detection equipment in Europe<sup>1</sup>

Country	Navigation System with programmed radars allowed? <sup>2</sup>	Radar Detectors allowed? <sup>3</sup>	Penalty	Remarks
Austria	yes	legislation not clear	up to 4000 € if no license	
Belgium	yes	no	between 100 € and 1000 € and/or imprisonment between 15 days and up to 1 year and confiscation of the equipment	
Bulgaria	yes	no	up to 50 BGN and withdrawal of 10 control points of control driving ticket	
Cyprus	yes	yes		Attempts to regulate legally are being made
Czech Republic	yes	yes		
Denmark	yes	yes		It is not forbidden to own or use a radar detector (also known as a police detector). However all canals regarding police, rescue services and military are encrypted, so it is not possible to reach the information.
Estonia	yes	no	up to 100 fine unites (1 fine unit = 4 €)	not prohibited to own the device, but so to use it
Finland	yes	no	fine	
France	no	no	1500 € and loss of 3 points	Only the "assistant d'aide à la conduite" are authorized by the law. A list of the conform products is available here : <a href="http://a2c.infocert.org/">http://a2c.infocert.org/</a>
Germany	no	no	75 € and 4 points in the central traffic registry	it is not prohibited to own such devices, but it is prohibited to use them
Greece	yes	no	2000 € and confiscation of the driving licence for 30 days	The use of a radar detector can be permitted if a state licence has been granted to the user

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Hungary	yes	yes		
Iceland	yes	yes		
Ireland	no	no	no specific penalty	
Italy	yes (the Police also provides a map of speed detectors on the website).	no	from €761,00 to €3.047,00 (Art. 45 co. 9-bis Code of the Street)	
Latvia	no	no	40 LVL and confiscation of the equipment	
Lithuania	no	no	29 € to 58 € and confiscation of the equipment	
Luxembourg	no	no	penalty (between 251 € and 5000 €) and/or imprisonment (between 8 days and 1 year)	
Malta	no regulation	no regulation		
The Netherlands	no	no	400 € and confiscation of the equipment	
Norway	no	no	driving licence and right to drive will be suspended for a period of time	
Poland	no	no	500 PLN and 3 penalty points	

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Portugal	no	no	Between 500 € and 2500 € and confiscation of the equipment	The equipment should be removed and confiscated immediately. If this is not possible, the vehicle ID document will be confiscated until the removal becomes effective (in this case a tab should be issued to replace the vehicle ID document in order to allow circulation only for the purpose of repair and inspection after removal)
Romania	no	no	between 500 LEI and 2000 LEI and confiscation of the equipment	
Slovakia	no	no	100 € for possession of the equipment, 150 € for usage of the equipment	
Slovenia	yes	yes		
Spain	yes	no	up to 6000 € and withdrawal of 6 points of driving licence	We must to make clear that there is a different between an inhibiting and a detector (The Spanish law sanctioned both of them).
Sweden	yes	no	A fine and confiscation of the equipment	
United Kingdom	yes	yes		

<sup>1</sup> 27 EU Member States + Iceland and Norway

This information is based upon the information ECC Belgium received from the ECC-Network. The ECC Belgium cannot be held responsible for any mistakes or inaccuracies.

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<sup>2</sup> Devices such as a gps system with programmed radars as a point of interest (cfr. gas station, restaurant, ...). The device doesn't notify if radar is active or not.

<sup>3</sup> Devices that detect active radars by the reception of radio waves.