

## Charging on the go



### Charging abroad

Charging overseas is much like charging in the UK. But availability varies. Driving your e:Ny1 is easy in some countries, less so in others.



#### Chargers and parked cars tend to go together

Wherever you travel abroad, you're most likely to find chargers in locations where there are parked cars:

- + Car parks
- + On-street parking
- + Shopping centres
- + Restaurants
- + Hotels
- + Tourist attractions

You're increasingly likely to find fast chargers at conventional fuel stations and at most motorway service areas.

All countries have their own popular charging networks, which often come with their own apps. Get to know the networks and their apps before you visit.



#### Does your hotel or holiday accommodation come with EV charging?

When you book places to stay, look for those that have dedicated EV charging facilities. Or maybe they have an outdoor plug socket you can use.

Bear in mind that you'll need an adapter to connect your UK EV charging cable to an overseas domestic socket.





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### + The best and worst countries

#### The top five

These five European countries have the best networks of chargers. With a bit of planning, driving your e:Ny1 in these countries should be straightforward.

- + The Netherlands
- + Germany
- + France
- + Italy
- + Sweden

#### The bottom five

These five European countries have the least developed networks of charging points. You'll need to do a lot more research and planning before you visit them.

- + Malta
- + Estonia
- + Lithuania
- + Latvia
- + Greece



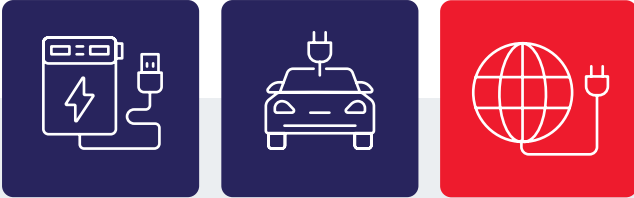
### + Leaving your car at home or at the airport

When you leave an EV unused, its battery power tends to drain away. Think about this before you leave your e:Ny1 at an airport car park for several weeks.

- + Lithium-ion batteries are good at preserving power but, like all batteries, they suffer from vampire battery drain.
- + In power-saving mode, your e:Ny1 can sit for months without a problem.
- + With all systems active, your overnight loss of power is between 0.5% and 1% in optimal conditions, and between 2% and 4% in sub-zero temperatures.
- + If you start with an 80% charge, you can leave your car for a month without worry.

It's good practice to top up to 80% before you reach the airport. Then you know that your car will be ready to drive when you return.





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### Start with an app

Before you start any overseas trip, you need to find an app that helps you locate charging stations.

Two of the biggest are:

#### PlugShare

PlugShare is a community-based tool that points you to public charging stations throughout Europe and much of the rest of the world. PlugShare's worldwide community of EV drivers have submitted reviews and photos of thousands of charge points.

#### Chargemap

Chargemap is an alternative to PlugShare. As before, drivers can improve the app by adding pictures, comments, and new charging stations.

Other apps include Open Charge Map and Plugsurfing.

Apps show you:

- + Where charging points are
- + What type of connectors they have (you can filter results by connector or car type)
- + Charging speed
- + How to pay
- + Whether the charger is in use or out of order

See *Honda EV Driver Tips 2.4* for more information on how charger speed affects the time it takes to charge your car.

