Analytical examination of the acquis
Screening of Chapter 27 – ENVIRONMENT

CO₂ emissions from cars
(http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/co2/co2_home.htm)

- Directive 1999/94/EC on fuel efficiency labelling
- Decision 1753/2000/EC on the monitoring of CO₂ emissions from new cars
Objective: inform consumers about CO₂ emissions and fuel consumption when they purchase a new car


Requires Member States to ensure that:

- A label on fuel economy and CO₂ emissions is affixed on all new cars offered for sale or lease
- A guide on fuel economy and CO₂ emissions is available for free covering all the cars offered for sale in the country considered, to be updated annually
- A poster or display showing the fuel economy and CO₂ emissions of all new cars in a given point of sale is exhibited
- All promotional literature relating to any given new car includes fuel economy and CO₂ emissions (paper and internet covered, radio and television excluded)
- Confusing information is prohibited
The Directive sets minimum requirements, and Member states are free to introduce further refinements in the design of the label, such as a colour scheme and energy efficiency classes, with a view to achieving the best consumer information and awareness raising.
Objective: EU25 monitoring of new passenger cars’ CO₂ emissions


Member States must send to the EC no later than 1 April each year data concerning the preceding calendar year and covering for newly sold passenger cars, for each manufacturer and for the total of all manufacturers:

- Fuel types (gasoline/diesel/other…)
- CO₂ emissions
- Mass
- Power
- Engine capacity

Member States to designate a competent authority for the data collection
Decision 1753/2000/EC establishing a scheme to monitor CO₂ emissions from passenger cars (2)

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- An electronic template is sent to MS every year, for harmonisation of the data submission procedure
- A contractor for the EC is in charge of the consolidation of the EU database
- EU type approval data include fuel consumption and CO₂ requirements (Directive 80/1268/EEC and 93/116/EC)
  - http://europe.eu.int/eur-lex/fr/search/search_dpi.html
- Annual reports from the EC to the EP and Council are adopted, based on the monitoring data.
- Car industry voluntary commitments (EU15) are also monitored on the basis of the monitoring data.