

N3TC testing Electronic Toll Collection

N3 Toll Concession (N3TC), the company responsible for the N3 Toll Route between Heidelberg in Gauteng and Cedara in KwaZulu-Natal, commenced with testing of its Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) System in selected toll plaza lanes on Monday, 13 July 2015.



N3TC aims to implement electronic toll collection (ETC) as an additional convenient payment method for vehicles fitted with electronic tags. It is envisaged that ETC will be implemented at all plazas along the N3 Toll Route during the latter part of 2015.

While testing is underway, road users with tags in their vehicles will hear a "beeping" sound when they pass through certain toll plaza lanes along the N3 Toll Route. Road users should not be concerned that any monies will be deducted from their accounts when they hear this sound.

Just testing

"There is no need to be alarmed. This is not a live transaction environment, merely a testing phase to ensure equipment and operational functionalities," says Andy Visser, N3TC Marketing Manager.

All tolling operations along the N3 Toll Route will continue to function in the manner in which users are accustomed. N3TC will continue to accept all existing payment methods along the N3 Toll Route, which includes cash, credit and fleet cards for light vehicles (Class 1) and cash or fleet cards for heavy vehicles (Classes 2 - 4). No debit cards, Diners Club, American Express or international bank cards are accepted as payment methods on the N3 Toll Route.

"With the roll out of an electronic payment method, N3TC is adding another convenient payment option for those users who wish to make use of this alternative, but for the rest it will be business as usual on the N3 Toll Route," concludes Visser.

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