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Electric car: “smart trials” resume of ARERA and GSE

Zero costs associated with increased power to encourage private recharging at night and on holidays until the end of 2025. New applications from 15 February

Milan, 14 February 2024 - The future of electric mobility hinges on its efficient integration with electricity grids, which is why ARERA is **reopening the possibility of joining the trial that provides economic benefits to encourage the recharging of electric vehicles until 31 December 2025**.

The initiative, launched in 2021 and now extended for a further two years, gives customers the opportunity to **increase the available power of their meter up to 6 kW without changing their contract and without paying the costs** associated with this ([link](#)). The trial makes it possible to exploit the potential offered by electronic meters, to promote the installation of smart wallboxes and to shift consumption for domestic recharging of electric vehicles to the night and/or holiday hours, when energy demand is reduced and the grid is “emptier”.

From tomorrow 15 February until 31 December 2024, owners of an electric vehicle, who are not already participating in the initiative, will be able to submit an application via the Gestore dei Servizi Energetici (GSE) website. Those already participating in the trial, on the other hand, will continue to benefit without having to reapply.

The requirements to participate are those set out in Resolution 541/2020/R/eel and among them that the utility has a committed power between 2 and 4.5 kW, is equipped with an electronic meter and a smart charging system (wallbox) among those indicated by the GSE.

Please note that any change of supplier by the customer will in no way affect the trial, which will continue as normal.

The trial is part of a broader framework of initiatives by ARERA to support the development of electric mobility and its efficient integration with the national electricity system, the subject of new recommendations presented two months ago in public consultation 540/2023/R/eel.

More information on the [GSE](#) website and the [answers to frequently asked questions](#) are available on the ARERA website.