

National Air Quality Strategy Objectives

Pollutant	Objective	Concentration measured	Date to be achieved
Benzene	16.25 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	Running annual mean	31 December 2003
1,3-butadiene	2.25 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	Running annual mean	31 December 2003
Carbon monoxide	10 mg m^{-3}	Running 8-hour mean	31 December 2003
Lead	0.5 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	Annual mean	31 December 2004
	0.25 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$		31 December 2008
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	200 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year	1 hour mean	31 December 2005
	40 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	Annual mean	31 December 2005
Particulates (PM ₁₀)	50 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	24 hour mean	31 December 2004
	40 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	Annual mean	31 December 2004
Sulphur dioxide	266 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	15 minute mean	31 December 2005
	350 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year	1 hour mean	31 December 2004
	125 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year	24 hour mean	31 December 2004