



e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022) (Europe)

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General Info

Years of Production	2020 - 2022
Market Availability	EU
Country of Manufacture	Germany
Current Status	Discontinued
Body Style	Hatchback
Price Europe (New/Used)	€No data/9500

Range and Efficiency

Range EPA	No data
Range WLTP	113 km
Range GCC	96 km
Battery (Usable/Nominal)	16.6/17.5 kWh
Efficiency (Energy/Range)	17.3 kWh/100 km
Efficiency (Range/Energy)	5.78 km/kWh

Charging

Architecture	400 V
Max AC Charging	3.7 kW
Max DC Charging	No data
Charge Port	Type 2 (Mennekes)

Performance

Drive Type	RWD PMSM
Motor (Power/Torque)	40 kW (54 hp)No data
Acceleration 0-100 km/h	12 s
Top Speed	123 km/h

Dimensions

Length	3345 mm
Width (with Mirrors/no Mirrors)	No data
Height	1588 mm
Wheelbase	2200 mm

Cargo and Towing

Number of Seats	4
Curb Weight	1170 kg
Cargo Volume (Trunk/Max/Frunk)	140/640/No data l
Towing Capacity	No data

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About e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022)

Overview

The 2022 e.Go Life 40 was a plucky German-made electric city car, designed for nipping around tight urban streets. As the "40" trim, it represented one of the more accessible entry points into the e.Go Life range before production ceased in 2022. Its compact dimensions and electric powertrain made it a quirky, zero-emission choice for city dwellers. While no longer available new, it can be found on the used market in the EU for around €9,500. Its unique selling point was its small footprint combined with a focus on essential electric mobility.

What's New for 2022?

The 2022 model year marked the end of the line for the e.Go Life 40, as production was discontinued. Consequently, there weren't significant updates or new features introduced for this final year. The focus was likely on fulfilling existing orders and managing the wind-down of its manufacturing. Buyers in 2022 essentially received a vehicle consistent with the specifications established in its prior production run starting in 2020. It remained a basic, no-frills city EV, true to its original concept, as it concluded its short but interesting journey.

Design & Exterior

The e.Go Life 40 sports a distinctive, almost toy-like hatchback design, perfectly suited for its urban warrior mission. Its short overhangs and upright stance scream "city car chic!" Key dimensions are a tiny 3345 mm in length, a fairly substantial 1747 mm in width (excluding mirrors), and a height of 1588 mm, giving it a boxy, characterful look. The "40" trim featured simple, functional styling elements, focusing on practicality over flash. It's a car that definitely stands out from the crowd with its unique proportions and friendly face.

Interior, Tech & Cargo

Inside, the e.Go Life 40 is functional, offering seating for four. Given its budget city car aspirations, materials are durable rather than luxurious. Passenger space is snug, as expected for its class. For your bits and bobs, the boot offers 140 litres of space, expanding to a more useful 640 litres with the rear seats folded down. Unfortunately, there's no frunk for extra storage. Tech was basic, typically featuring a simple infotainment system for essentials, aligning with its affordable, no-nonsense approach to urban mobility.

Performance & Driving Experience

The e.Go Life 40 is powered by a single Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (PMSM) delivering 40 kW to the rear wheels, making it a zippy rear-wheel-drive city slicker. Acceleration from 0-100 km/h takes a leisurely 12 seconds, with a top speed of 123 km/h – perfectly adequate for urban environments. The specific motor torque figure for this trim isn't officially published. Its light weight and compact size promise nimble handling, ideal for darting through traffic and squeezing into tight parking spots. The driving experience is geared towards efficiency and easy manoeuvrability in town.

Range, Battery & Charging

The Life 40 packs a usable battery capacity of 16.6 kWh, translating to a real-world range of approximately 96 km, as calculated by Green Cars Compare – enough for daily city commutes. Its efficiency is rated at a

decent 5.78 km/kWh. For charging, it relies on a Type 2 (Mennekes) port and features a standard 3.7 kW on-board AC charger; a full top-up would take around 5-6 hours. Official figures for maximum DC fast charging power are not available for this trim, suggesting its primary focus was on AC charging solutions.

Safety & Driver-Assistance Features

The e.Go Life 40's safety credentials are not officially rated by Euro NCAP. As a budget-focused city car, it likely came equipped with essential safety features such as airbags, ABS, and electronic stability control, meeting regulatory standards. However, advanced driver-assistance systems like adaptive cruise control, lane-keeping assist, or extensive blind-spot monitoring were generally not a prominent part of its offering, reflecting its positioning as a simple, accessible electric vehicle designed primarily for low-speed urban environments where such systems are less critical.

Warranty & Maintenance Coverage

Given e.Go's production status as discontinued and previous financial challenges, specific warranty details for a 2022 model can be complex. Typically, small European EV manufacturers offered around a 2-3 year basic vehicle warranty and an 8-year or 160,000 km warranty on the battery pack, covering degradation. Powertrain warranty would often align with the basic vehicle warranty. Complimentary maintenance was unlikely. Reliability for such a niche vehicle would depend heavily on individual unit care, with specialist support potentially being limited due to the brand's status.

How powerful is it? How fast does it accelerate?

The e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022) is equipped with a powertrain that delivers up to 40 kW (54 hp) of power and lb-ft of torque.

This enables a 0 to 60 mph acceleration in 11.5 seconds ([Nº96 out of 119 ranked positions](#), among 983 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions) and a top speed of 76 mph.

How far can it go on single charge? What is the real-world range?

The estimated real-world range for e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022) is 60 miles, ranking it [Nº265 out of 266 ranked positions](#). Several conditions can influence this range:

- Speed: The battery drains faster at higher speeds.
- Temperature: Extreme temperatures can impact range.
- Terrain: Range is reduced on hilly or mountainous terrain.
- Driving style: Aggressive driving behaviors, such as frequent acceleration and braking, decrease efficiency.
- Feature utilization: Climate control and media system usage also affect range.

These figures are approximations, and your actual driving range may vary. When planning trips, consider these factors and be prepared for potential charging stops.

For trip planning assistance, utilize the [EV Navigation interactive map](#).

What charging options are available? How long does it take to charge it?

The e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022) in the USA is equipped with a Type 2 (Mennekes) charging port. You can

charge it conveniently at home using a standard outlet, or utilize any public AC charging station with the appropriate cable. However, the car's built-in charger (inverter) limits the maximum AC charging speed to 3.7 kW, which translates to roughly 12 miles of range added per hour.

The car doesn't support DC charging

To estimate charging time, rate, and cost, you can use [EV Charging Calculator](#).

How big is it? What are the dimensions (length, width, height)?

e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022) comes in the following dimensions:

- Length: 131.7 in
- Width: in (including side mirrors) or 68.8 in (excluding side mirrors)
- Height: 62.5 in
- Wheelbase: 86.6 in (distance between the center of the front and rear wheels)
- Curb weight: 2579 lbs (weight of the empty car, no people or cargo)

How much cargo space does it offer? Does it have a front trunk?

Behind the rear seats of the e.Go Life 40 (2020-2022), you'll find 4.9 cubic feet of storage space ([Nº166 out of 167 ranked positions](#), among 983 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions).

Folding down the rear seats expands the total cargo capacity to 22.6 cubic feet ([Nº194 out of 202 ranked positions](#), among 983 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions).

The car doesn't have a "frunk" (front trunk).

Is it suitable for towing? What is the maximum towing capacity?

The car isn't officially rated for towing.

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