

Driving restrictions

Slovakia- Goods transport

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Here we have gathered information on HGV restrictions and restrictions related to public holidays.

Driving restrictions

Are there any driving restrictions on international HGV traffic at weekends or on public holidays?

Yes

Vehicle(s) concerned

Period

Location

Exception



Trucks and combination vehicles with a total authorised weight of more than 7.5t



Trucks with a total authorised weight of more than 3.5t with trailer or semi-trailer

01/01

to

31/12

Sundays

Public holidays

From 00h00 to 22h00

On motorways, trunk roads and main roads (Class 1)

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

General exceptions below



Trucks and combination vehicles with a total authorised weight of more than 7.5t



Trucks with a total authorised weight of more than 3.5t with trailer or semi-trailer

01/07

to

31/08

Saturdays

From 07h00 to 19h00

On motorways, trunk roads and main roads (Class 1)

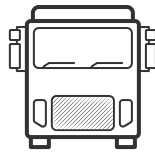
Section

All

Direction

Both directions

General exceptions below



Goods road motor vehicle (GVW >12t)

01/01

to

31/12

Every day

All day

On roads of Class III

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

Exceptions

- a) coaches, caravans;
- b) vehicles of the armed forces, police and the Slovak Security Service;
- c) vehicles used for indispensable seasonal agricultural work;
- d) vehicles transporting medical instruments, or biological or pharmaceutical products to hospitals or medical institutions, or to ensure the operation of medical equipment in hospitals or medical institutions;
- e) vehicles used in combined transport or for loading or unloading ships or trains on the territory of the Slovak Republic;
- f) vehicles used for cultural or sporting events, and in particular for the transport of boats, motorcycles, horses, birds etc.;
- g) aid vehicles required at scenes of accidents or natural disaster;
- h) vehicles transporting dangerous goods;
- i) vehicles used for the supply of petrol stations;
- j) vehicles transporting foodstuffs or livestock.

If so requested by a police officer, during the period of the driving ban, a driver must be able to prove that his vehicle is being used for one of the above-mentioned purposes.

Additional information

In accordance with Act 9, §140 of the 2009 Digest of Law, authorisation to drive during the hours of the driving restriction may be obtained in extraordinary and inevitable cases, if to do so would not endanger public safety. If the authorisation is required for the territory of one region, the relevant Regional Traffic Inspectorate is competent to deal with the request for exemption. If the authorisation is required for an area covering more than one region, the request for exemption should be addressed to the Department of Traffic Police of the Presidency of the Police Corps, (Odbor dopravnej polície Prezídia policajného zboru), Raciarska 45, 812 72 Bratislava, Tel.: +421 9610 50221. The issue of authorisations is subject to administrative fees. An authorisation is granted if the request is justified and on presentation of certified documents indicating the necessity of the transport operation. The authorisation remains valid for a period of 30 days.

Annual public holidays

29 Mar
2024

Good Friday

All country

1 Apr
2024

Easter Monday

All country

1 May
2024

Labour Day

All country

8 May
2024

Armistice 1945

All country

5 Jul
2024

**St Cyril and St
Methodius**

All country

29 Aug
2024

**Anniversary of
the Slovak
national
uprising**

All country

1 Sep
2024

**Constitution
Day**

All country

15 Sep
2024

**Our Lady of the
Seven Sorrows**

All country

1 Nov
2024

All Saints' Day

All country

17 Nov
2024 **Day of fight for
freedom and
democracy** All country

24 Dec
2024 **Christmas Eve** All country

25 Dec
2024 **Christmas Day** All country

26 Dec
2024 **St Stephen's
Day** All country

1 Jan
2025 **New Year's Day** All country

6 Jan
2025 **Epiphany** All country

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