

Driving restrictions

Greece- Goods transport

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

Information provided by:



Driving restrictions

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

Yes

Vehicle(s) concerned

Period

Location

Exception



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

01/01

to

31/12

on specific dates

- on 15 March 2024 and 22 March 2024 from 16h00 to 21h00

- on 2 May 2024 from 15:00 to 22:00

- on 3 May 2024 from 06:00 to 16:00

- on 30 April 2024, 21 June 2024, 14 August 2024, 25 October 2024, 24 December 2024, 27

December 2024 and 3 January 2025 from 16:00 to 22:00

- on 16 March 2024, 23 March 2024, 7 May 2024, 22 June 2024, 17 August 2024, 26 October 2024,

28 December 2024 and 4 January 2025 from 08:00 to 13:00

- on 31 December 2024 from 15:00 to 21:00

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patra) in the direction of Patra between Elefsina toll station (km 26+500) and Rio toll station (km 199+660);- Motorway A1 (Athens-Thessaloniki- Evzoni) in the direction of Thessaloniki between Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960) and Bralos junction (km 203+065), from Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) to Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) and from Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) to the Leptokarya junction (km 410+359);- Thessaloniki- N...

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

01/01

to

31/12

on specific dates

- on 18 March 2024, 25 March 2024, 26 December 2024, 1 January 2025 and 6 January 2025 from 15:00 to 21:00

- on 6 May 2024 from 12:00 to 22:00

- on 24 June 2024, 18 August 2024 and 28 October 2024 from 16:00 to 23:00

- on 7 May 2024 from 11:00 to 23:00

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patras), in the direction of Athens, between Rio toll station (km 199+660) and Elefsina toll station (km 26+500);- Motorway A1 (Athens- Thessaloniki-Evzoni), in the direction of Athens, between Leptokarya junction (km 410+359) and Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) from Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) to Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) and between Bralos junction (km 203+065) and Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960);- N.Moudania-...

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

14/06/2024

to

08/09/2024

Fridays

Fridays from 16h00 to 21h00

(Exception: Friday 16 August 2024)

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patra) in the direction of Patra between Elefsina toll station (km 26+500) and Rio toll station (km 199+660);- Motorway A1 (Athens-Thessaloniki- Evzoni) in the direction of Thessaloniki between Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960) and Bralos junction (km 203+065), from Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) to Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) and from Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) to the Leptokarya junction (km 410+359);- Thessaloniki- N...

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

14/06/2024

to

08/09/2024

Sundays

From 15h00 and 22h00

(Exception: Sunday 23 June 2024)

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patras), in the direction of Athens, between Rio toll station (km 199+660) and Elefsina toll station (km 26+500);- Motorway A1 (Athens- Thessaloniki-Evzoni), in the direction of Athens, between Leptokarya junction (km 410+359) and Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) from Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) to Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) and between Bralos junction (km 203+065) and Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960);- N.Moudania-...

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

01/07

to

31/08

Fridays
Saturdays
Sundays

On Fridays from 15h00 and 22h00
On Saturdays and Sundays from 08h00 and 22h00

A) Ioannina – Arta – Antirio National Road
B) Thessaloniki – Kavala National Road

Section

A)- Ioannina – Arta – Antirio National Road in both directions, mainly from km 14 Ioannina – Arta – Antirio National road (Ionian road junction – Avgo Ioanninon) to km 39.4 (Kouklesi – Ioannina)
B)- Thessaloniki – Kavala National Road in the direction of Kavala between km 11 (km 11+340) and Leon Amfipoli junction (km 97+550) in both directions

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

15/06/2024

to

08/09/2024

Sundays

From 18h00 and 23h00
On 15 August 2023 From 18h00 and 24h00

- Motorway A1 (Athens – Thessaloniki – Evzoni), in the direction of Thessaloniki, between Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) and Kleidi junction (km 471+470)

See general exceptions below.



Goods vehicles with payload of over 3.5t

15/06/2024

to

08/09/2024

Saturdays

Sundays

On Saturdays from 08h00 and 16h00 On Sundays from 10h00 and 16h00

Internal ring road of Thessaloniki between the Lachanagora junction and the K13 junction (St. Pavlos Hospital) in both directions of this road.

See general exceptions below.

Exceptions

- Trucks transporting livestock, perishable food based on the ATP agreement (Article 3 of Chapter II of No. 50786/3319/2024 KYA) as long as the percentage of the cargo of the transported products is at least 10% of the payload
- Trucks (refrigerators) transporting fresh fruit and vegetables
- Trucks transporting oxygen for medical purposes
- Emergency vehicles
- Trucks transporting racing cars and trucks converted into repair- maintenance (service) assistance vehicles for racing cars
- In exceptional cases by decision of the competent Police Authority (such as in anticipation of extraordinary weather conditions or other extraordinary conditions) traffic is interrupted in one or both of the traffic directions of the streets, for all types of trucks over 3.5 tons, even those that meet in the exceptions.

Additional information

The driving restrictions for trucks on highways during the Labour Day 2024 is the following:

- On Tuesday, 7 May 2024, for exit from 08:00 to 13:00

Area for exit:

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patra) in the direction of Patra between Elefsina toll station (km 26+500) and Rio toll station (km 199+660);
- Motorway A1 (Athens-Thessaloniki- Evzoni) in the direction of Thessaloniki between Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960) and Bralos junction (km 203+065), from Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) to Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) and from Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) to the Leptokarya junction (km 410+359);
- Thessaloniki- N.Moudania National road, in the direction of Chalkidiki between the Thermi bridge to the N.Moudania junction (km 61.5);
- Motorway A11 (Schimatari- Chalkida) in the direction of Chalkida between the intersection with Motorway A1 (km 65+820) and Chalkida bridge (km 12+300);
- Thessaloniki- Kavala National Road in the direction of Kavala between km 11 (km 11+340) and Leon Amfipoli junction (km 97+550).
- Motorway A5 (Ionian Road) in the direction of Ioannina between "Charilaos Trikoupis" Rio – Antirrio bridge (Rio area km 11+558.47) and the end of Ionian Road (km 200+991)
- Motorway A7 (Central Peloponissos), in the direction of Kalamata, between Corinth motorway (km 85+300) and Sparti Circle Junction (km 240+800) (Kalamata perimetric road)
- Motorway A71 (Lefktro- Sparti) in the direction of Sparti between Lefktro motorway (km 0+000) and Sparti motorway (km 45+000)
- Ioannina- Arta- Antirrio National Road in the direction of Antirrio
- Thessaloniki- Polygyros National Road (EO16) in the direction of Polygyros between Thermi bridge to the limits of Thessaloniki Old National Road (Agia Anastasia junction)

Area for entry:

- Motorway A8 (Athens- Patras), in the direction of Athens, between Rio toll station (km 199+660) and Elefsina toll station (km 26+500);
- Motorway A1 (Athens- Thessaloniki-Evzoni), in the direction of Athens, between Leptokarya junction (km 410+359) and Makrichori toll station (km 374+291) from Raches Fthiotidos junction (km 242+479) to Roditsa junction (Lamia) (km 212+625) and between Bralos junction (km 203+065) and Agios Stefanos (Kryoneri) junction (km 27+960);
- N.Moudania- Thessaloniki National road in the direction of Thessaloniki from N.Moudania junction (km 61.5) to Thermi bridge;
- Motorway A11 (Schimatari- Chalkida), in the direction of Athens, between Chalkida bridge (km 12+300) and the intersection with Motorway A1 (km 65+820);
- Kavala- Thessaloniki National road, in the direction of Thessaloniki between Leon Amfipoli junction (km 97+550) and km 11 (km 11+340);
- Motorway A5 (Ionian Road), in the direction of Rio, between the end of Ionian Road (km 200+991) and "Charilaos Trikoupis" Rio – Antirrio bridge (Rio area km 1+558.47);
- Motorway A7 (Central Peloponissos), in the direction of Athens, between Sparti Central Junction (km 240+800) (Kalamata perimetric road) and Corinth motorway (km 85+300)
- Motorway A71 (Lefktro- Sparti), in the direction of Lefktro, between Sparti motorway (km 45+000) and Lefktro motorway (km 0+000)
- Ioannina- Arta- Antirrio National Road in the direction of Ioannina
- Thessaloniki- Polygyros National Road (EO16) in the direction of Thessaloniki between the limits of

Thessaloniki Old National Road (Agia Anastasia junction) to Thermi bridge.

Link to OFAE website

(<https://ofae.gr/el/nea/driving-restrictions/metra-periorismoy-kykloforias-forthgwn-aytokinhtwn-5/>)

Annual public holidays

3 Mar 2025	Ash Monday (Orthodox)	All country
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25 Mar 2025	National Day	All country
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18 Apr 2025	Good Friday (Orthodox)	All country
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20 Apr 2025	Easter day (Orthodox)	All country
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21 Apr 2025	Easter Monday (Orthodox)	All country
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1 May 2025	Labour day	All country
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9 Jun 2025	Whit Monday	All country
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15 Aug 2025	Assumption	All country
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28 Oct 2025	National day	All country
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25 Dec
2025

Christmas day

All country

26 Dec
2025

Boxing day

All country

1 Jan
2026

New Year's day

All country

6 Jan
2026

Epiphany

All country

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