Driving restrictions

Poland- Goods transport

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

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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 road motor vehicle (GVW >12t)

01/01

to

31/12

Eve of public holidays Public holidays

from 18h00 to 22h00 on the eve of public holidays from 19 April to 11 November 2025 from 08h00 to 22h00 on all public holidays (on the list below)

Across whole country

Direction

Both directions

See exceptions below



Goods road motor vehicle (GVW >12t)

27/06/2025

to

31/08/2025

Fridays Saturdays Sundays

on Fridays from 18h00 to 22h00 on Saturdays from 08h00 to 14h00 on Sundays from 08h00 to 22h00

Nationwide

Direction

Both directions

See exceptions below

Exceptions

Exceptions for national driving restrictions:

- 1. vehicles belonging to the police, road transport inspectorate, border guard, customs, Polish armed forces, government protection bureau, technical emergency services, fire brigade, chemical emergency service and radiological and contamination protection services,
- 2. breakdown vehicles,
- 3. vehicles used in rescue operations,
- 4. emergency vehicles used in cases of natural disaster,
- 5. vehicles used for humanitarian aid,
- 6. vehicles used in the construction or maintenance of roads and bridges,
- 7. vehicles carrying livestock,
- 8. vehicles used for the collection of fresh milk, corn or livestock,
- 9. vehicles transporting liquid fuel, oil products, lubricants, spare parts or fresh water for ships,
- 10. transport of transmission equipment for radio or TV stations,
- 11. transport of equipment intended for mass events,
- 12. vehicles transporting newspapers which constitute a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space,
- 13. vehicles used for the carriage of drugs or medicines,
- 14. vehicles used for the carriage of mail which constitutes a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space,
- 15. vehicles whose operation is strictly connected with the necessary maintenance of the production cycle or with providing services to a company working around the clock,
- 16. vehicles transporting dangerous goods, as covered by separate regulations, in quantities for which the orange plate is required,
- 17. vehicles carrying perishable goods or foodstuffs* which constitute a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space,
- 18. vehicles used for the carriage of concrete or equipment for pumping concrete,
- 19. vehicles used for transporting municipal waste,
- 20. vehicles used for the transport of loads unloaded from railway wagons up to a distance of 50km from the railway station,
- 21. vehicles used in combined transport,
- 22. slow-moving agricultural vehicles and tractors,
- 23. vehicles returning from abroad to complete a road transport operation or travelling to the consignee who has his registered office in Poland,
- 24. vehicles which entered Poland before the date or time of the restriction and which may travel up to 50 km from the border crossing, and vehicles in the border zone waiting to exit Poland,
- 25. vehicles used for free medical examinations,
- 26. for the transport of coal, coke and other fuels made of coal and firewood, pellets and briquettes.

NB: The exceptions mentioned under points 6 to 21 apply also to empty vehicles travelling to load cargo or on their return journey after unloading on Polish territory.

* List of perishable foodstuffs: meat and edible offal; fish, shellfish, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates; dairy products, in particular yoghurts, kefir, sour cream, milk, cheese, butter and ice-cream; birds' eggs and egg pastes; cut flowers, rolled turf (grass) and house-plants; fresh and frozen vegetables, fruit and mushrooms; cereals and agricultural produce for the production of food, fodder and vegetable fats; ground cereals, in particular flour, oats, semolina and corn granules; fat and oil of animal or vegetable origin; food preserves, in particular of meat, poultry, fish, vegetables and fruit;

sweets and confectionery; preserves of cereals, flour, starch, milk powder and bakery products; soft drinks; remains and waste from the food industry, ready-made animal feedstuff; sugar beet; potatoes; fresh yeast; cultivation medium for mushrooms.

Annual public holidays

20 Apr 2025	Easter Sunday	All country
21 Apr 2025	Easter Monday	All country
1 May 2025	Labour Day	All country
3 May 2025	Constitution Day	All country
8 Jun 2025	Whit Sunday	All country
19 Jun 2025	Corpus Christi	All country
15 Aug 2025	Assumption	All country
1 Nov 2025	All Saints' Day	All country
11 Nov 2025	Independence Day	All country

24 Dec 2025	Christmas Eve*	All country
25 Dec 2025	First Christmas Day	All country
26 Dec 2025	Second Christmas Day	All country
1 Jan 2026	New Year's Day	All country

^{*} official decision not taken yet if the day will be a day off or not.

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