

Driving Restrictions, Goods Transport Germany

Vehicles concerned trucks with a total permissible weight of over 7.5t, as well as trucks with trailers.

Area throughout the road and motorway network

Prohibition Sundays and public holidays from 00h00 to 22h00

Additional restrictions (summer)

Area the following stretches of motorway and trunk roads:

- A1 from the Köln-west via Wuppertal, the Kamen intersection and Münster to the Cloppenburg junction and from the Oytzen junction to the Horst intersection
- A2 from the Oberhausen intersection to the Bad Oeynhausen intersection
- A3 from the Oberhausen intersection to the Cologne-east intersection, from the Mönchhof intersection via the Frankfurt intersection to the Nürnberg intersection
- A4/E40 from the Herleshausen junction to the Nossen intersection
- A5 from the Darmstadt intersection via Karlsruhe to the Neuenburg intersection
- A6 from the Schwetzingen-Hockenheim junction to the Nürnberg-south intersection
- A7 from the Schleswig/Jagel junction to the Hamburg-Schnelsen-north junction, from the Soltau-East junction to the Göttingen-north junction; from the Schweinfurt/Werneck intersection, the Biebelried intersection, the Ulm/Elchingen intersection and the Allgäu intersection to the state border at Füssen
- A8 from the Karlsruhe intersection to the Munich-west junction and from the Munich-Ramersdorf junction to the Bad Reichenhall junction
- A9/E51 Berlin ringroad (Leipzig branch road/Potsdam intersection) to the Munich-Schwabing junction
- A10 Berlin ringroad, with the exception of the section from the Berlin-Spandau junction via the Havelland intersection to the Oranienburg intersection and the section between the Spreeau intersection and the Werder intersection
- A45 from the Dortmund-south junction via the Westhof intersection and the Gambach intersection to the Seligenstadt intersection
- A61 from the Meckenheim intersection via the Koblenz intersection to the Hockenheim intersection
- A81 from the Weinsberg intersection to the Gärtringen junction
- A92 from the Munich-Feldmoching intersection to the Oberschleissheim junction and from the Neufahrn intersection to the Erding junction
- A93 from the Inntal intersection to the Reischenhart junction
- A99 from the Munich-south-west intersection via the intersections at Munich-west, Munich-Allach, Munich Feldmoching, Munich-north, Munich-east, Munich-south and Munich/Eschenried
- A215 from the Bordesholm intersection to the Blumenthal junction
- A831 from the Stuttgart-Vaihingen junction to the Stuttgart motorway intersection
- A980 from the Allgäu intersection to the Waltenhofen junction

A995 from the Sauerlach junction to the Munich-south intersection
 B31 from the Stockach-east junction of the A98 to the Sigmarzell junction of the A96
 B96/E251 from Neubrandenburg ringroad to Berlin

Prohibition Saturdays between 1 July and 31 August from 07h00 to 20h00

Exceptions (apply to both of the above prohibitions)

- Combined rail/road goods transport from the shipper to the nearest loading railway station or from the nearest designated unloading railway station to the consignee up to a distance of 200km (no limitation on distance during the additional summer restrictions); also combined sea/road goods transport between the place of loading or unloading and a port situated within a radius of 150km maximum (delivery or loading).
- Deliveries of fresh milk and other dairy produce, fresh meat and its fresh derivatives, fresh fish, live fish and their fresh derivatives, perishable foodstuffs (fruit and vegetables).
- Empty vehicles, in connection with the transport operations mentioned under the preceding item.
- Transport operations using vehicles subject to the Federal Law on the obligations of service; the relevant authorisation must be carried on board and produced for inspection on request.

Also exempted from the prohibition are vehicles belonging to the police and federal border guard, fire brigades and emergency services, the federal armed services and allied troops.

For operations which are not covered by the above-mentioned exceptions, authorisations must be obtained. These, however, will be issued only in the event of an emergency, when delivery by other means of transport is not possible.

Night driving restrictions

There exist a certain number of night driving restrictions on specific routes. These are indicated by road signs.

Public holidays 2012

1 January	New Year's Day (*)
6 April	Good Friday
9 April	Easter Monday
1 May	Labour Day
17 May	Ascension
28 May	Whit Monday
7 June	Corpus Christi (only in Baden-Wurtemberg, Bavaria, Hessen, North Rhine Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate and Saar)
3 October	German Unification Day
31 October	Reformation Day (only in Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia)
1 November	All Saints' Day (only in Baden-Wurtemberg, Bavaria, North-Rhine Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate and Saar)
25 December	Christmas Day
26 December	St Stephen's Day

(*) Sunday

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