



Driving restrictions, goods transport 2012 (Source: IRU International Road Transport Union)

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 Oyten 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 Bordsesheim 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 Sigmarszell 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 2011

1 January New Year's Day

22 April Good Friday

25 April Easter Monday

1 May Labour Day*

2 June Ascension

13 June Whit Monday

23 June Corpus Christi (only in Baden-Wurtemberg, Bavaria, Hesse, 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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