

## Driving Restrictions, Goods Transport United Kingdom

There are no driving restrictions at weekends or on public holidays in the United Kingdom.

### Local restrictions

<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	trucks exceeding 18t total permissible weight
<b>Prohibition</b>	during the week, from 21h00 to 07h00; at weekends, from 13h00 on Saturday to 07h00 on Monday
<b>Area</b>	Greater London - all roads, except motorways and certain major roads, in those areas administered by the London Boroughs' Transport Scheme (applies to all 33 London boroughs)
<b>Exceptions</b>	A vehicles operating under special authorisation because they are carrying an abnormal indivisible load; A vehicles "whose load is required for the purposes of dealing with any emergency affecting the safety of persons or property".

Transport operators must apply for exemption permits which are supplied free of charge by the

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In certain circumstances short-term permits are available at short notice for single journeys. Operators should note, however, that permit conditions impose special routing requirements on drivers. For more detailed information, operators should contact the above office.

### Local restrictions – outside of London

Outside of London there are numerous other restrictions for heavy goods vehicles both in town centres and rural areas of outstanding natural beauty. Drivers should follow the special signs guiding them through or around areas where restrictions are in place.

For information on the **London Low Emission Zone** and **Congestion Charging** area go to [www.tfl.gov.uk/low\\_emission\\_zone](http://www.tfl.gov.uk/low_emission_zone) [www.tfl.gov.uk/roadusers/congestioncharging](http://www.tfl.gov.uk/roadusers/congestioncharging)

<b>Public holidays 2013</b>	1 January	New Year's Day
	2 January	New Year holiday (Scotland)
	18 March	St Patrick's Day (N. Ireland)
	29 March	Good Friday
	1 April	Easter Monday
	6 May	May holiday
	27 May	Spring bank holiday

12 July	Bank holiday (N. Ireland)
5 August	Bank holiday (Scotland)
26 August	Summer bank holiday
2 December	St Andrew's Day (Scotland)
25 December	Christmas Day
26 December	Boxing Day

**Sources:** FTA, January 2013  
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