

#### Driving restrictions, goods transport Belgium

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles at weekends or on public holidays.

# Abnormal load transports (new regulation)

## Motorway traffic bans

- Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited from Saturday 06h00 to Monday 09h00.
- Movements of abnormal loads with a width exceeding 3.50 m or length exceeding 30.00 m or height exceeding 4.30 m are prohibited from **06h00 to 21.00h**.
- Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited on public holidays: 1 January, Easter Monday, 1 May, Ascension Day, Whit Monday, 21 July, 15 August, 1 November, 11 November and 25 December. The prohibition applies from **16h00** on the previous day to **09h00** on the following day.
- Traffic is banned from **06h00** to **09h00** and from **16h00** to **21h00** on the following motorway sections:
- a. Antwerp R1 ring motorway: section between interchanges n°2 (Antwerpen-Noord) and n°6 (left bank);
- b. Brussels R0 motorway ring;
- c. Charleroi R9 small ring;
- d. motorways A604-A15 (Seraing-Hognoul link) and the Loncin interchange, in the Seraing-Hognoul direction;
- e. Liège motorway link (E40/E42-E25 link) between Burenville (interchange n°33) and Tilff (interchange n°42) as well as the A003 between the Loncin interchange and the Cheratte interchange.
- Traffic is banned from **06h00 to 09h00** in the Brussels direction and from **16h00 to 21h00** in the opposite direction on the following motorway sections:
- a. A10 (E40) Brussels-Oostende motorway between Alost and Brussels ;
- b. A7 (E19) Brussels-Mons motorway between Hal and Brussels;
- c. A3 (E40) Brussels-Liège motorway between Heverlee (interchange E40/E314) and Brussels;
- d. A1 (E19) Brussels-Antwerp motorway between Malines and Brussels ;
- e. E411 (A4) Brussels-Namur motorway between Wavre (interchange n°8) and Brussels.

#### Traffic bans on other roads

- Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited from **Saturday 06h00 to Monday 06h00**.
- Movements of abnormal loads with a width exceeding 4.00 m or length exceeding 30.00 m are prohibited from **06h00 to 21h00**.
- Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited on public holidays: 1 January, Easter Monday, 1 May, Ascension Day, Whit Monday, 21 July, 15 August, 1 November, 11 November and 25 December. The prohibition applies from **16h00** on the previous day to **06h00** on the following day.
- In the conurbations of Antwerp, Bruges, Brussels, Charleroi, Kortrijk, Gand, Hasselt, Liège, Louvain, Malines, Mons, Namur, Oostende, Tournai and Verviers, movements of abnormal loads are prohibited from **07.00h to 09.00h and from 16.00h to 18.00**.

- Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited on Fridays from **15h00 to 22h00** during the holiday period from 27 June to 4 September inclusive.

## Traffic conditions

Movements of abnormal loads are prohibited when there is snow or ice on the road and in case of fog, snowfall or rain reducing visibility to less than 200 metres.

The user or driver of the abnormal load vehicle or, where applicable, the traffic coordinator, must inspect the selected route at least 5 calendar days before the planned abnormal load transport.

*Source:* FEBETRA, December 2012.



# Driving restrictions, goods transport Estonia

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles on Sundays or on public holidays.

# Local driving restrictions

Vehicles concerned	Vehicles transporting dangerous goods
Area	Tallinn
Prohibition	On working days from 07h00 to 09h00 and from 17h00 to 19h00

*Source:* ERAA, November 2012



#### Driving restrictions, goods transport Latvia

## National restrictions:

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles at weekends or on public holidays.

## Local restrictions - City of Riga

Driving restrictions on trucks of over 5t are in force on the following streets of the city of Riga:

- the Akmens Bridge (*Akmens tilts*), 11 Novembra krastmala Street, Krasta Street from the Salu Bridge (*Salu tilts*) to the Vanshu Bridge as well as all streets leading to Akmens Bridge.

*Prohibition*: from Monday to Friday, 7:00 – 10:00 and 16:00 – 19:00;

- Makusala Street, Akmenu Street, Jelgavas Street, Vienibas gatve Street, Valguma Street, Ranka dambja Street, Daugavgrivas Street.

*Prohibition*: from Monday to Friday, 16:00 – 19:00.

Source: LA, November 2012



#### Driving restrictions, goods transport Lithuania

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles at weekends or on public holidays.

#### Driving restrictions for freight transport in Vilnius city

Vilnius city Municipality Administration informs that during reconstruction works in the section of Geležinio Vilko street (between A.Goštauto and M.K.Ciurlionio streets) there will be temporary changes in traffic flows in the mentioned section of the street.

By virtue of par.1.2 and 1.3 of Order No.30-2261 of 16/11/2012 of Director of Vilnius city Municipality Administration the below mentioned restrictions shall be applied as of 19/11/2012 and until 31/03/2013, i.e.:

- from 07:00 to 20:00 transport of goods vehicles (their combinations) shall be forbidden (except for the vehicles that render services) in the section of Geležinio Vilko street between Savanoriu and T.Narbuto streets when maximum permissible weight of the goods vehicle exceeds 7,5 tons;
- from 06:00 to 22:00 the transport of bulky and (or) heavy vehicles (their combinations) shall be forbidden in Geležinio Vilko street and the main streets that will be used as detour routes in Vilnius city.

In order to avoid traffic jams in the vicinity of the reconstruction zones and the main streets of Vilnius city, the drivers of goods vehicles are recommended to take the roundabout ways to Vilnius choosing the routes of national roads (flows of goods vehicles from A1 to A2 or A14 shall be directed to national roads 108 and 172 via Dukštos or Maišiagala, or from A1 to A2 shall be directed to 108 and 172 via Suderve).

Source: LINAVA, November 2012 Vilnius city Municipality Administration, November 2012

Enclosure: Scheme of changes of traffic flows of goods vehicles



Vilnius - Scheme of changes of traffic flows of goods vehicles.



#### Driving restrictions, goods transport Netherlands

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles at weekends or on public holidays.

However, in bad weather the transport of dangerous goods is restricted. When visibility is less than 200m, it is forbidden to transport:

- dangerous goods in tanks with a capacity of over 3000 litres;
- fireworks in quantities larger than those mentioned in subsection 1.1.3.6 of the ADR and fireworks with UN numbers 0336 and 0337 with a net explosive mass of more than 20kg.

When visibility falls below 50m or in icy conditions, in addition to the restrictions indicated above, the transport of dangerous goods in quantities larger than those mentioned in subsection 1.1.3.6 of the ADR is also prohibited.

Vehicles transporting exceptional loads are also subject to driving restrictions on national and local roads as follows:

- between 06h00 and 10h00 (morning rush hour);
- between 15h00 and 20h00 (evening rush hour);
- depending on the categories of road to be used for the transport operation and on the weights and dimensions of the transport operation, more specific restrictions will be indicated in the transport authorisation.

*Source:* TLN, November 2012



#### Driving restrictions, goods transport Sweden

There are no driving restrictions on goods vehicles at weekends or on public holidays.

However, according to new environmental regulations introduced in Stockholm, Göteborg, Malmö Lund, Helsingborg and Mölndal, some restrictions apply. For further information on this topic, please see the file on low emission zones in Sweden.

Further information and maps of the zones are available on the following website: <u>www.lowemissionzones.eu</u>.

Source: SA, November 2012