

Driving restrictions, goods transport Bulgaria

There is no general driving ban for international traffic on Sundays or on public holidays. There are however several local restrictions.

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| Vehicles concerned | all goods vehicles of over 15t total laden weight |
| Prohibition | permanent |
| Road concerned | I-5, section Tchernootchene - Kardjali

The vehicles concerned should use the following routes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · <i>direction Haskovo - Kardjali</i> : road I-5 - road III-505 - Manastir - road III-507 - Voyvodino - Most - Tchiflik - Kardjali · <i>direction Assenovgrad - Kardjali</i> : road II-58 - road I-5, direction Haskovo - road III-505 - Manastir - road III-507 - Voyvodino - Most - Tchiflik - Kardjali · <i>direction Mineralni Bani - Kardjali</i> : road III-506 - road III-806 - road I-5 - road III-505 - Manastir - road III-507 - Voyvodino - Most - Tchiflik - Kardjali |
| Vehicles concerned | all goods vehicles of over 10t total laden weight |
| Prohibition | Every day, from 5h30 to 8h50 and from 16h30 to 20h50 |
| Road concerned | I-1 (Sofia – Kulata), section Dragichevo (km 286+300 – Vladaya Pass) – Sofia – Knyazhevo district (km 268 +100)

The vehicles concerned should use the route Dupnitsa – Samokov – Sofia and Dupnitsa – Samokov – Ihtiman – “Trakia” motorway |
| Vehicles concerned | all goods vehicles of over 10t total laden weight |
| Prohibition | Until 31.03.2010 |
| Road concerned | I – 5 between km 155+250 and km 184 +000 (Shipka Pass)

The vehicles concerned should use the route Radnevo – road II-57 – Pet mogili – Novoselez – road II-55 – Mlekarevo – Radevo – Nova Zagora – Road mir - Tchervena Mogila – road I-6 – Gurkovo – Prohod na Republikata – Veliko Tarnovo. |
| Vehicles concerned | all goods vehicles of over 10t total laden weight |
| Prohibition | permanent |
| Road concerned | II-82, section Samokov - Sofia

The vehicles concerned should use the route II- 62 – Samokov – Ihtiman – road I-8 – “Trakia” motorway. |
| Vehicles concerned | all vehicles exceeding the maximum authorised weights and dimensions |
| Prohibition | throughout the year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · if visibility is less than 50m due to mist, heavy rain or snow; · in icy conditions; · during hours of darkness and at rush hours, except in cases of |

emergency or natural catastrophe

SUMMER RESTRICTIONS

Vehicles concerned	all vehicles of over 3.5t
Prohibition	from 1.7.10 to 15.9.10
Area	vehicles travelling from Sofia to Burgas and vice versa are obliged to use the following routes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">· <i>direction Sofia-Burgas</i> : Trakia motorway - road II-66 - Stara Zagora bypass - road I-5 (Zmejovo - lagoda - Tulovo) - road I-6, km 319+600 - Petolychkata crossing - Burgas· <i>direction Burgas-Sofia</i> : road I-6 (Sliven - Kazanlyk) - direction Sofia· <i>direction Burgas - Plovdiv</i> : road I-6 (Sliven - Kazanlyk), km 319+600 - road I-5 (Tulovo - lagoda - Zmejovo) - Stara Zagora bypass - road II-66 (connection with Trakia motorway) - Trakia motorway

Temporary restrictions In temperatures of over 35°C, there is a prohibition on lorries and combined vehicles of over 20t total laden weight throughout the road and motorway network between 12h00 and 21h00. The exact dates of the beginning and end of the restrictions will be announced in the media at least two days in advance.

SOFIA

Restrictions have been enforced in some parts of the city of Sofia for trucks and combined vehicles of 4t MPW and above, and coaches with more than 22 seats. Further details will be sent to Members as soon as they are available.

Public holidays 2010	1 January	New Year's Day
	3 March	National Day
	2 April	Good Friday (Orthodox)
	4 April	Easter Sunday (Orthodox)
	5 April	Easter Monday (Orthodox)
	1 May	Labour Day
	6 May	Bulgarian Army Day
	7 May	Additional public holiday
	24 May	Day of Slavonic Alphabet
	6 September	Day of Unification
	22 September	Independence Day
	1 November	Day of the Leaders of the National Revival (working day)
	24 December	Christmas Eve
	25 December	Christmas Day
	26 December	St Stephen's Day
	31 December	Additional public holiday

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