**Update on traffic restrictions due to weather conditions**

*Bulgaria (January 11, 2017)*

Due to heavy snowfall, additional roads have been closed, and traffic restrictions are currently as follows:

**Restrictions on motorway:**

* Trakia motorway: the section from Zimnitsa junction (near Yambol) to Burgas is closed to all vehicles.
* Hemus motorway: in the region of Sofia - restrictions to vehicles over 12t; in the region of Shumen – restrictions to vehicles over 3.5t; in the region of Varna the motorway is closed to all vehicles.
* Black sea motorway is closed to all vehicles.

**Restrictions on 1st class roads:**

* Road I-1 (Е79) the section border with Romania - Vidin – Vratsa – Sofia is closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road І-2 (border with Romania – Ruse – Razgrad – Shumen – Varna) is partially closed to all vehicles and partially closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road I-3 Rail station Byala – Pleven – Koritna – Yablanitsa – Botevgrad: in the regions of Lovech, Pleven and V. Tarnovo - restrictions to vehicles over 12t.
* Road І-4 Koritna – Sevlievo – V. Tarnovo – Тargoviste - Shumen: in the regions of Lovech and Gabrovo, in both directions and in the region of Shumen in direction Sofia - restrictions to vehicles over 12t; in the region of V. Tarnovo – closed to all vehicles; in the region of Targoviste it is obligatory for vehicles over 12t to use snow chains.
* Road І-5 Ruse – V. Tarnovo – Stara Zagora – Haskovo – Makaza – border with Greece is partially closed to all vehicles and partially closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road I-6 border with Macedonia – Kyustendil – Pernik – Sofia – Pirdop – Karlovo - Sliven – Karnobat - Burgas is partially closed to all vehicles and partially closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road І-7 border with Romania - Silistra – Dulovo – Preslav – Elhovo – Lesovo – border with Turkey: the entire road is closed to vehicles over 12t, in the regions of Shumen and Silistra the road is closed to all vehicles.
* Road І-9 the section Durankulak – Balchik – Varna – Burgas – Malko Tarnovo – border with Turkey is partially closed to all vehicles and partially closed to vehicles over 12t.

Many class II and III roads are also closed.

However, due to weather conditions, some restrictions have been put in place on 1st class roads:

* Road І-2 (Romanian border – Ruse – Razgrad – Shumen – Varna) is partly closed to all vehicles and partly closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road І-4 Koritna – Sevlievo – V. Tarnovo – Тargoviste - Shumen: vehicles over 12t should obligatory use snow chains.
* Road І-5 Ruse – V. Tarnovo – Stara Zagora – Haskovo – Makaza – Greek border is closed to vehicles over 12t.
* Road І-7 border with Romania - Silistra – Dulovo – Preslav – Elhovo – Lesovo – border with Turkey: the whole road is closed tovehicles over 12t. In the region of Shumen the road is closed to all vehicles. In the region of Silistra, the road is closed to vehicles over 3.5 t
* Road І-9 the section Durankulak – Balchik – Varna – is closed to vehicles over 12t and on the section Varna – Burgas, vehicles over 12t should use snow chains.

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