

"Change to the freight traffic arrangement (vehicles over 7.5 tonnes) on the G1-6 and G1-7 in Slovenia"

As of 1 June 2019, The Slovenian Infrastructure Agency will change the restriction for freight traffic on the main roads Jelšane - Postojna (G1-6) and Starod - Kozina (G1-7) and some of the main and regional roads in the northeastern part of Slovenia.

Description of the traffic arrangement:

The said traffic arrangement shall prohibit all transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight on the G1-6 and G1-7 roads through Slovenia, namely from Italy to countries like Croatia (the following Croatian counties are excluded: Istarska, Primorsko-Goranska and Ličko-Senjska – summarised in the following table: Istra, Kvarner, Lika, Gorski Kotar), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Romania, and vice versa.

Transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight shall be allowed on those roads through Slovenia that come from Italy and the goal of which (e.g. unloading, the seat of the carrier's company) is in Croatia (applies only for the following parts of Croatia: Istra, Kvarner, Lika, G. Kotar) or vice versa, namely whose starting point/origin (e.g. loading, the seat of the carrier's company) is in Croatia (applies only for the following parts of Croatia: Istra, Kvarner, Lika, G. Kotar) and that are headed to Italy. The arrangement also does not prohibit the traffic of goods vehicles that load goods in Slovenia and drive to Croatia or to the aforementioned remote countries and vice versa. Within the area of restricted state road usage, marked with road signs (between Kozina and the Starod border crossing, and between Postojna and the Jelšane border crossing), local traffic is allowed in accordance with Article 37, paragraph two of the Roads Act, which states that the usage of this road is allowed for local traffic in the event of the restricted usage of the public road for transit traffic.

Remote transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles of over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight from Italy in the direction of Croatia (of the continental part of Croatia), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Romania ... and vice versa is diverted to the A1 motorway and the A2 Kozina-Ljubljana-Obrežje motorway, which serves as a safer parallel road connection with better traffic and technical elements.

The aforementioned arrangement:

- prohibits the remote transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles of over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight through Slovenia, which continues its path from the A4 motorway on the main or regional roads and then via the border crossings of Središče ob Dravi and Zavrč, to Croatia and further to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Macedonia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Romania ... and vice versa.

Heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight are allowed to go through Slovenia on the A4 road and then further on regional and main roads and the Središče ob Dravi and Zavrč border crossings to Croatia if their starting point or destination (e.g. loading, unloading, the seat of the carrier's company) is in the Croatian counties of Varaždin and Medžimurje and vice versa. Freight traffic with a starting point or destination in Slovenia shall not be restricted. Within the area of restricted state road usage, marked with road signs (between Ptuj and the border crossings of Središče ob Dravi or Zavrč), local traffic is allowed in accordance with Article 37, paragraph two of the Roads Act, which states that the usage of this road is allowed for local traffic in the event of the restricted usage of the public road for transit traffic.

- prohibits all transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight that goes from the A1 motorway, then along the regional roads and via the border crossing of Dobovec and the border crossing of Bistrica ob Sotli to Croatia. Within the area of restricted state road usage, marked with road signs (i.e. east of Celje and south of A1 to the border crossings of Dobovec or Bistrica ob Sotli), local traffic is allowed in accordance with Article 37, paragraph two of the Roads Act, which states that the usage of this road is allowed for local traffic in the event of the restricted usage of the public road for transit traffic.

In accordance with the Rules on determining border crossing points in the Republic of Slovenia, interstate border crossings of Gibina, Razkrižje, Ormož and Zgornji Leskovec are restricted for freight traffic over 3.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight, while the outflow of freight vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight is not possible.

The transit traffic of heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes maximum allowed weight is thus diverted to the motorway connections (A1, A4 and A5), which in this case serve as a safer parallel road connection with better traffic and technical elements.

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