

Driving restrictions AUSTRIA

Are there any driving restrictions on international HGV traffic at weekends or on public holidays?

Yes

The driving restrictions above is presenting a summary of the driving restrictions. More information on the Austrian driving restrictions 2023 are available in the document below (Driving restrictions Austria 2023) such as special local bans.

In Austria, in addition to the general driving restrictions below, additional bans apply:

- special local traffic restrictions, including local night traffic bans (detailed in the document attached)
- Fahrverbotskalender – Winter (additional driving bans in Tyrol) (detailed in the document attached)
- Fahrverbotskalender - Summer, normally released in March/April each year (available in the page below).

Vehicle(s) concerned

Period

Location

Exception

Trucks with trailers, if the maximum authorised total weight of the motor vehicle or the trailer exceeds 3.5t

Trucks, articulated vehicles and self-propelled industrial machines with an authorised total weight of more than 7.5t

01/01

to

31/12

Saturdays

Sundays

Public holidays

Saturdays from 15h00 to 24h00

Sundays and public holidays from 00h00 to 22h00

Nationwide, with the exception of journeys made exclusively as part of a combined transport operation within a radius of 65km of the following transloading stations: Brennersee; Graz-Ostbahnhof; Salzburg-Hauptbahnhof; Wels-Verschiebebahnhof; Villach-Fürnitz; Wien-Südbahnhof; Wien-Nordwestbahnhof; Wörg; Hall in Tirol CCT; Bludenz CCT; Wolfurt CCT.

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

Concerning trucks with trailers exceeding 3.5t: - vehicles transporting milk;
Concerning vehicles with an authorised total weight of more than 7.5t: - vehicles carrying meat or livestock for slaughter (but not the transport of heavy livestock on motorways); - perishable foodstuffs (but not deep frozen goods) which are as follows: fresh fruits and fresh vegetables, fresh milk and fresh dairy products, fresh meat and fresh meat products, fresh fish and fresh fish products, live fish, eggs,...

Trucks or articulated vehicles with a maximum permissible total weight of more than 7.5 tonnes

Trucks with trailers where the sum of the maximum permissible total weights of both vehicles is more than 7.5 t

07/01/2023

to

11/03/2023

Saturdays

On all Saturdays from 7 January 2023 to 11 March 2023, between 7:00 and 15:00

A 12 Inntal Motorway and the A 13 Brenner Motorway, when the destination of the trip is:

- Italy or a country to be reached via Italy, or
- Germany or a country that is to be reached via Germany.

See official document below: [BGBLA_2023_II_3.pdf](#)

Heavy goods vehicles, articulated vehicles and self-propelled machines with a maximum authorised mass in excess of 7.5 t

Heavy goods vehicles with trailers and self-propelled machines with trailers, where the total of the maximum authorised masses

01/05

to

31/10

Every day

Sundays

Public holidays

Every day 22:00 to 5:00

Sundays and public holidays 23:00 to 5:00.

The IG-L overnight vehicle prohibition will apply in both directions on the section of the A 12 Inntal motorway between road distance 6.35 (km) in the Langkampfen local authority area and road distance 90.00 (km) in the Zirl local authority area.

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

The Regulation has provision for exceptions for: • Since 1 January 2021, an exemption will be in place for journeys by vehicles in Euro class VI (NOx emissions no more than 0.4 g/kWh) provided that this is demonstrated by appropriate identification of the vehicle in accordance with the IG-L – Emissions Class Marking Regulation, BGBl. II no. 120/2012, as most recently amended by Regulation BGBl. II no. 272/2014 and • that at least the predominant part of the cargo is loaded or unloaded in the...

Heavy goods vehicles, articulated vehicles and self-propelled machines with a maximum authorised mass in excess of 7.5 t

Heavy goods vehicles with trailers and self-propelled machines with trailers, where the total of the maximum authorised masses

01/11

to

30/04

Every day

Sundays

Public holidays

Every day 20:00 to 5:00

Sundays and public holidays 23:00 to 5:00.

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Direction

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Heavy goods vehicles of over 7.5t MPW

01/01

to

31/12

Every day

Between 22h00 and 05h00

Nationwide

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

vehicles belonging to the highway maintenance service; vehicles belonging to the Federal Army, and which are essential for the pursuit of military operations; low-noise vehicles showing the green 'L' plate. The latter are limited to a maximum speed of 60km/h, although a speed of 80km/h may be authorised on certain sections. NB: Derogations to driving restrictions will be authorised only for journeys which serve exclusively for the transport of milk, fresh meat and livestock, perishable...

All

01/01/2023

to

31/12/2023

Every day
All day

Nationwide

Section

All

Direction

Both directions

None

Trucks or articulated vehicles with a maximum permissible total weight of more than 7.5 tonnes

Trucks with trailers where the sum of the maximum permissible total weights of both vehicles is more than 7.5 t

06/04/2023

to

26/08/2023

Specific days in Spring and Summer

- On 6 April 2023 from 12:00 to 20:00, on 7 April 2023 from 16:00 to 22:00, on 8 April 2023 from 11:00 to 15:00, on 25 April 2023 from 11:00 to 22:00, on 27 May 2023 from 07:00 to 15:00 and on 2 June 2023 from 09:00 to 22:00 on the A12 Inntal motorway and A13 Brenner motorway, if the destination of the journey is in Italy or in a country to be reached via Italy.
- On all Saturdays from 1 July 2023 up to and including 26 August 2023 between 07:00 and 15:00 if the destination of the journey is in Italy or in a country to be reached via Italy, and on 7 April 2023 and 3 October 2023 from 00:00 to 22:00 and on all Saturdays from 1 July 2023 to 26 August 2023 from 7:00 to 15:00 if the destination of the journey is in Germany or in a country that is to be reached via Germany, on the A12 Inntal motorway and on the A13 Brenner motorway.
- On all Saturdays from 1 July 2023 up to and including 26 August 2023 in the period from 8:00 to 15:00 outside the local area in both directions on the
 - a) B 178 Loferer Straße from Lofer to Wörgl;
 - b) B 320 Ennstalstraße starting at road kilometre 4,500;
 - c) B 177 Seefelder Straße in the entire area;
 - d) B 179 Fernpassstraße from Nassereith to Biberwier;
 - e) B 181 Achensee Straße in the entire area;
 - f) B 182 Brenner Straße in the entire area;
- On all Saturdays from 1 July 2023 up to and including 26 August 2023 between 8:00 and 15:00 on the A4 eastern motorway (Ost Autobahn) from the Schwechat junction the national border at Nickelsdorf in both directions, except for destination and origin traffic to and from the districts of Neusiedl, Eisenstadt, Eisenstadt-Umgebung, Rust, Mattersburg, Bruck an der Leitha, Gänserndorf and Korneuburg.

Additional information

An online guide has been created to inform you whether you are allowed to drive your truck, articulated vehicle or self-propelled machine on Austrian motorways. The query also takes into account regional environmental driving bans. There is also a quick query for the most important transit routes (see below).

Environmental zones:

To enter the environmental zone, each vehicle concerned requires a valid Austrian environmental sticker (Umwelt-Pickerl). The sticker must be displayed on the vehicle, if it is not, you could receive a fine of up to EUR 2180. The sticker is currently valid in seven environmental zones: Vienna, Upper Austria, Lower Austria, Styria, Tyrol, Linz and Burgenland. For more information, visit the following website: <https://www.umwelt-pickerl.at/en/>

More information on Euro class driving bans in the document: driving restrictions Austria 2023

Annual public holidays

6 Jan 2024

Epiphany

All country

1 Apr 2024

Easter Monday

All country

1 May 2024

Labour Day

All country

9 May 2024

Ascension Day

All country

20 May 2024

Whit Monday

All country

30 May 2024

Corpus Christi

All country

15 Aug 2024

Assumption of the Virgin Mary

All country

26 Oct 2024

National Day

All country

1 Nov 2024

All Saints' Day

All country

8 Dec 2024

Immaculate Conception

All country

25 Dec 2024

Christmas Day

All country

26 Dec 2024

St Stephen's Day

All country

1 Jan 2025

New Year's Day

All country

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