Driving Restrictions, Goods Transport
Poland

General restrictions

Vehicles concerned: goods vehicles with an MPW of over 12t
Area: nationwide
Prohibition: from 18h00 to 22h00 on the eve of those public holidays listed below as points c to k
from 08h00 to 22h00 on all public holidays listed below

Additional restrictions

Vehicles concerned: goods vehicles with an MPW of over 12t
Area: nationwide
Prohibition: from the last Friday in June until the Sunday before the beginning of the school year (from 25 June to 29 August 2021):
· on Fridays from 18h00 to 22h00
· on Saturdays from 08h00 to 14h00
· on Sundays from 08h00 to 22h00
(NB: as 15 August is a public holiday, driving restrictions are in force at the times indicated under “General restrictions” above)
(NB: on 14 August (Saturday) driving restrictions are in force from 08h00 to 14h00 and from 18h00 to 22h00)

Exceptions

1. vehicles belonging to the police, road transport inspectorate, border guard, customs, Polish armed forces, government protection bureau, technical emergency services, fire brigade, chemical emergency service and radiological and contamination protection services;
2. breakdown vehicles;
3. vehicles used in rescue operations;
4. emergency vehicles used in cases of natural disaster;
5. vehicles used for humanitarian aid;
6. vehicles used in the construction or maintenance of roads and bridges;
7. vehicles carrying livestock;
8. vehicles used for the collection of fresh milk, corn or livestock;
9. vehicles transporting liquid fuel, oil products, lubricants, spare parts or fresh water for ships;
10. transport of transmission equipment for radio or TV stations;
11. transport of equipment intended for mass events;
12. vehicles transporting newspapers which constitute a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space;
13. vehicles used for the carriage of drugs or medicines;
14. vehicles used for the carriage of mail which constitutes a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space;
15. vehicles whose operation is strictly connected with the necessary maintenance of the production cycle or with providing services to a company working around the clock;
16. vehicles transporting dangerous goods, as covered by separate regulations, in quantities for which the orange plate is required;
17. vehicles carrying perishable goods or foodstuffs* which constitute a considerable volume of the total cargo or of the available loading space;
18. vehicles used for the carriage of concrete or equipment for pumping concrete;
19. vehicles used for transporting municipal waste;
20. vehicles used for the transport of loads unloaded from railway wagons up to a distance of 50km from the railway station.
21. vehicles used in combined transport;
22. slow-moving agricultural vehicles and tractors;
23. vehicles returning from abroad to complete a road transport operation or travelling to the consignee who has his registered office in Poland,
24. vehicles which entered Poland before the date or time of the restriction and which may travel up to 50 km from the border crossing, and vehicles in the border zone waiting to exit Poland;
25. vehicles used for free medical examinations.

NB: The exceptions mentioned under points 6 to 21 apply also to empty vehicles travelling to load cargo or on their return journey after unloading on Polish territory.

* List of perishable foodstuffs: meat and edible offal; fish, shellfish, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates; dairy products, in particular yoghurts, kefir, sour cream, milk, cheese, butter and ice-cream; birds’ eggs and egg pastes; cut flowers, rolled turf (grass) and house-plants; fresh and frozen vegetables, fruit and mushrooms; cereals and agricultural produce for the production of food, fodder and vegetable fats; ground cereals, in particular flour, oats, semolina and corn granules; fat and oil of animal or vegetable origin; food preserves, in particular of meat, poultry, fish, vegetables and fruit; sweets and confectionery; preserves of cereals, flour, starch, milk powder and bakery products; soft drinks; remains and waste from the food industry, ready-made animal feedstuff; sugar beet; potatoes; fresh yeast; cultivation medium for mushrooms.

Public holidays 2021

a. 1 January New Year’s Day
b. 6 January Epiphany*
c. 4 April Easter Sunday
d. 5 April Easter Monday
e. 1 May Labour Day
f. 3 May Constitution Day
g. 23 May Whit Sunday
h. 3 June Corpus Christi
i. 15 August Assumption
j. 1 November All Saints’ Day
k. 11 November Independence Day
l. 25 December First Christmas Day
m. 26 December Second Christmas Day

*driving restrictions do not apply on this day

Local restrictions

Vehicles concerned: goods vehicles with an MPW of over 16t
Area: Warsaw
Prohibition: every day from 07h00 to 10h00 and from 16h00 to 20h00
Remarks: The transit of the city of Warsaw by goods vehicles of over 16t (with the exception of traffic serving communities surrounding Warsaw) is forbidden. Transit traffic should divert via roads No. 50, 62 and 60. Vehicles travelling with a C16 identity card on board are exempt from this restriction. This card is delivered to carriers by the consignor. Restrictions are signposted.
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**Area**  Lodz

**Prohibition**  Permanent ban with exceptions several main street: Aleksandrowska, Szczecinska, Zgierska

**Source:**  ZMPD, October 2020