

Ethiopia



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Customs, land, sea (updated 19 June 2020)

Flight operations:

Cargo flights are operational with reduced capacity. Ethiopian Airlines cargo flights are still operational but cargo capacity is reduced due to flight cancellations. There are no cargo flights through Lufthansa and Emirates.

Shipping operations:

Cargo ships are operational but at limited capacity due to congestion at Djibouti port, which has been caused by the extended lockdown in Djibouti affecting operational hours for Shipping Lines.

Road transport operations:

- All land borders have been closed for passengers;
- Rail access is currently operational. There is a reduced rail transport availability due to a spike in demand;
- There is a truck shortage due to an importation influx of Ethiopian Government Cargo. There is a risk of storage and demurrage charges, and a possibility of increased transport rates. Strict controls apply for truckers at borders with potential quarantine for drivers.
(source: Bollore Logistics, 19 June 2020)

Restrictions at land borders:

The **Djibouti-Ethiopia** corridor remains open; there are no restrictions on cargo movements from Djibouti to Ethiopia.

At the Moyale border with **Kenya**, no passenger transport is allowed. Cargo trucks are also not allowed to cross the border. Transshipment therefore continues to be done at the respective destination country's yard, i.e. for Ethiopian consignments, Kenyan trucks are offloading on the Ethiopian yard and vice versa for those holding a valid negative COVID-19 certificate. Drivers must undergo quarantine upon entering Kenya.

The Ethiopian border with **Eritrea** remains completely closed for all transport.

The Ethiopian border with **Somalia** remains closed for commercial entities. WFP trucks are allowed to move from Somalia to Ethiopia through the Berbera corridor. Ethiopian authorities are conducting temperature checks.

Major restrictions apply at the border with **Sudan**. The route from Gadarif to Galabat is operating as normal however the Galabat border bridge is fully closed from both sides. It can be operated for humanitarian cargo, following the obtaining of clearance and approval from the Sudanese and Ethiopian Governments.

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

Forthcoming

Major restrictions also apply to the border with **South Sudan**. Land border transportation is only allowed for essential goods. From Ethiopia, road and river access to South Sudan is allowed, however due to the closure of all borders, with exemptions granted for cargo and fuel tanks, strict controls for truck drivers at the borders apply, with potential quarantine for affected drivers. At the Pagak/Denjok Border point, Vehicles are instructed to offload immediately and return to Ethiopia.

(source: WFP, 10 June 2020)