

Driving restrictions, goods transport, 2016 Bulgaria

Vehicles concerned	all goods vehicles over 15t
Prohibition	permanent till the end of the maintenance works
Road concerned	road I-1 between km 276+162 and km 282+485
Vehicles concerned	all goods vehicles of over 12t total laden weight
Prohibition	permanent till the end of the maintenance works
Road concerned	road I-3 between km 193+345 (intersection with the road to Pravetz junction) and km 204+200 (intersection with I-1)
Vehicles concerned	all goods vehicles of over 15t total laden weight
Prohibition	permanent
Road concerned	road I-5, section Tchernootchene – Kardjali The vehicles concerned should use the following routes: · <i>direction Haskovo – Kardjali</i>: road I-5 – road III-505 – Manastir – road III-507 – Voyvodino – Most – Tchiflik – Kardjali · <i>direction Assenovgrad – Kardjali</i>: road II-58 – road I-5, direction Haskovo – road III-505 – Manastir – road III-507 – Voyvodino – Most – Tchiflik – Kardjali · <i>direction Mineralni Bani – Kardjali</i>: road III-506 – road III-806 – road I-5 – road III-505 – Manastir – road III-507 – Voyvodino – Most – Tchiflik – Kardjali
Vehicles concerned	all goods motor vehicles of over 12t total laden weight (N3) and the towing of trailers and semi trailers with MPW over 10t (O4)
Prohibition	from 1 November to 31 March
Road concerned	I-5 between km 155+250 and km 184 +000 (Shipka Pass) The vehicles concerned should use the route Radnevo – road II-57 – Pet mogili – Novoselez – road II-55 – Mlekarevo – Radevo – Nova Zagora — road I-6 – Gurkovo – Prohod na Republikata – Veliko Tarnovo.
Vehicles concerned	all goods vehicles of over 3.5t total laden weight
Prohibition	permanent
Road concerned	road I-5, section Podkova – Makasa
Vehicles concerned	all vehicles
Prohibition	permanent till the end of the maintenance works

Road concerned I-7, section Varbishki Pass
The vehicles concerned should use the Kotlenski Pass (I-4 road), the Rijki Pass (II-73 road) or the Prohod na Republikata Pass (road II-55).

Vehicles concerned all goods vehicles of over 10t total laden weight

Prohibition permanent

Road concerned II-82, section Kostenez (km 0+000) – Smokov (km 39+176)

Vehicles concerned all vehicles exceeding the maximum authorised weights and dimensions

Prohibition throughout the year:
·if visibility is less than 50m due to mist, heavy rain or snow;
·in icy conditions;
·during hours of darkness and at rush hours, except in cases of emergency or natural catastrophe.

Vehicles concerned all goods vehicles of over 12t total laden weight

Prohibition permanent during the public holidays.
In case of consecutive non working days including at least one public holiday:

- on the last working day on the eve of the series of non working days: from 16h00 to 20h00 (see the list below)
- on the last day of the series of non working days: from 14h00 to 20h00 (see the list below)
 - 3 January from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 2 March from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 6 March from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 28 April from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 2 May from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 5 May from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 8 May from 14h00 to 20h00
 - 20 May from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 24 May from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 2 September from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 6 September from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 21 September from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 25 September from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 23 December from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 26 December from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 30 December from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 1 January 2017 from 14h00 to 20h00.

Prohibition

Summer restriction from 1 June to 15 September

- on Friday: from 17h00 to 20h00
Exceptions: 2 September, restriction for public holidays will apply and 9 September, no driving restrictions.
- on Sunday: from 14h00 to 20h00
Exceptions: 4 and 11 September, no driving restrictions.

Road concerned

- all motorways
- roads class I
 - road I-1 section Vidin – Botevgrad
 - road I-1 section Blagoevgrad – border crossing point “Kulata” (with Greece);
 - road I-4 section junction Koritna – Veliko Tarnovo – Shumen;
 - road I-5 section Ruse – Veliko Tarnovo;
 - road I-8 section border crossing point “Kalotina” (with Serbia) – border crossing point “Kapitan Andreevo” (with Turkey);
 - road I-9 section Durankulak – Varna – Burgas.
- roads class II
 - road II-18 Sofia ringroad;
 - road II-19 section Simitli – Gotze Delchev;
 - road II-86 section Plovdiv – Smolian;
 - road II-99 section Burgas – Tsarevo.

The restriction does not apply to motor vehicles transporting perishable foodstuffs and goods under temperature regime, livestock and dangerous goods (ADR).

ADDITIONAL SUMMER RESTRICTION

Vehicles concerned all vehicles of over 20t total laden weight

Prohibition

during the summer period, from 13h00 to 21h00 when temperature exceeds 35°C

MAIN RESTRICTIONS IN SOFIA

Vehicles concerned trucks and combined vehicles of 4t MPW and above

Prohibition every day, from 7h00 to 21h00.

Area concerned**Sofia City centre**

The limits of the zone affected by these restrictions are as follows:
Opalchenska str. – Slivnitsa bld. – Gen. Danail Nikolaev bld. – Evlogui Gueorguiev bld. – Bulgaria bld. – Pencho Slaveikov bld. – Gen. Tottleben bld. – Gen. Skobelev bld. – Opalcheska str.

(N.B.: the restrictions do not apply to the streets mentioned above, but only to the area bordered by these streets)

Vehicles concerned	trucks and combined vehicles of 15t MPW and above
Prohibition	every day in Zone 1

Area concerned **Sofia City – Zone 1**

The limits of the zone affected by these restrictions are as follows:

Konstantin Velichkov bld. – Gabrovo str. – Skopie str. – Nadejda crossroad – 202 str. – Kamenodelska str. – Malashevska str. – Parva balgarska armia str. – Rezbarska str. – Vassil Kanchev str. – Reka Veleka str. – Alexander Ekzarh str. – Madrid bld. – Sitniakovo bld. – Peio lavorov bld. – Nikola Vaptzarov bld. – Cherni vrah bld. – Srebarna str. – Gotze Delchev bld. – Jitniza str. – Nikola Mushanov bld. – Vazkresenie bld. – Konstantin Velichkov bld.

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The following streets and boulevards are not affected by the restriction:

Slivnica bld., Vladajska reka str., Zidarska str., Gradinarska str., Rezbarska str., Gen. Danail Nikolaev bld., Konstantin Stoilov bld., Kamenodelska str., Gen. Vladimir Vazov bld., Chavdar Bridge and Zletovo str.

Public holidays 2016	1 January	New Year's Day
	3 March	National Day
	4 March	<i>Additional public holiday</i>
	29 April	Good Friday (Orthodox)
	1 May	Easter Sunday (Orthodox), Labour Day
	2 May	Easter Monday
	6 May	Bulgarian Army Day
	23 May	<i>Additional public holiday</i>
	24 May	Day of Slavonic Alphabet
	5 September	<i>Additional public holiday</i>
	6 September	Day of Unification
	22 September	Independence Day
	23 September	<i>Additional public holiday</i>
	1 November	Day of the Leaders of the National Revival (working day)
	24 December	Christmas Eve
	25 December	Christmas
	26 December	Christmas

Additional working days for 2016, on Saturday: 12 March, 14 May, 10 and 17 September

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