

**Driving restrictions, goods transport, 2018
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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">· <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 till the end of the maintenance works
Road concerned	road I-5, section overbridge Kirkovo – 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 Rishki Pass (II-73 road) or the Prohod na Republikata Pass (road II-55).

Vehicles concerned all goods motor vehicles of over 12t total laden weight (N3) (incl. trailers and semi trailers) with more than 2 axles

Prohibition from 1 November to 31 March

Road concerned II-81, section Petrohan Pass

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

Prohibition permanent

Road concerned II-82, section Kostenez (km 0+000) – Samokov (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.

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Prohibition permanent during public holidays – in case of more than one 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)
 - 29 December 2017 from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 1 January 2018 from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 2 March from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 5 March from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 5 April from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 9 April from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 4 May from 16h00 to 20h00
 - 7 May from 14h00 to 20h00
 - 21 September from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 24 September from 14h00 to 20h00;
 - 21 December from 16h00 to 20h00;
 - 26 December from 14h00 to 20h00.

Roads concerned

- all motorways
- roads class I
 - road I-1 section Rebarkovo – Botevgrad, the vehicles concerned should use the road II-16 Rebarkovo – Svoge – Sofia
 - road I-1 Blagoevgrad – border crossing point “Kulata” (with Greece);
 - road I-4 Koritna junction – Veliko Tarnovo – Shumen;

- road I-5 Ruse – Veliko Tarnovo;
 - road I-8 border crossing point “Kalotina” (with Serbia) – Sofia;
 - road I-9 Varna – Burgas.
- roads class II
 - road II-18 Sofia ringroad;
 - road II-99 Burgas – Tsarevo.

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

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

Prohibition Summer restriction from 1 June to 15 September 2018

- on Friday: from 17h00 to 20h00
- on Sunday: from 14h00 to 20h00

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 - road I-1 section Rebarkovo – Botevgrad, the vehicles concerned should use the road II-16 Rebarkovo – Svoige – Sofia;
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Roads concerned

- Trakia motorway
 - direction Sofia – Plovdiv on Friday from 18h00 to 20h00;
 - direction Burgas – Sofia on Sunday from 16h00 to 20h00;
- Struma motorway
 - direction junction Daskalovo – border crossing point Kulata on Saturday from 10h00 to 14h00;
- Maritsa motorway
 - direction Svilengrad – Trakia motorway on Sunday from 16h00 to 20h00.

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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. Totleben 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. – Malashevka 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. – Jitnitsa 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 2018

1 January	New Year's Day
3 March	National Day
5 March	<i>Additional public holiday*</i>
6 April	Good Friday (Orthodox)
8 April	Easter Sunday (Orthodox)
9 April	Easter Monday (Orthodox)
1 May	Labour Day
6 May	Bulgarian Army Day
7 May	<i>Additional public holiday*</i>
24 May	Day of Slavonic Alphabet
6 September	Day of Unification
22 September	Independence Day
24 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

* According to an amendment of the Bulgarian Labor Code, published on 30th of December 2016, if the holiday (except Eastern holydays) falls on a Saturday and/or a Sunday, the following one or two working day(s) will be a day off for compensation.

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