Cologne Ring Road A1 - No total closure for trucks in the Lövenich tunnel

Cologne (straßen.nrw)

The six lanes on the A1 between the Lövenich on/off ramp and the Cologne-West motorway junction, which are currently being noise-insulated, should be accessible for driving by the end of 2012. After the west outbound tunnel from the city had its equipment and the major part of its glass roofing installed during the last seven months, it is now the east inbound tunnel’s turn to have work done. The road construction teams need to modify the direction of traffic accordingly. Originally, through traffic of trucks and buses up to 7.5t was to be completely forbidden, but after in-depth, detailed discussions the Motorway Police, the Cologne Regional Administration traffic authorities, the State Traffic Ministry and the NRW State Roadworks Agency have found a solution that will allow for new traffic routing for trucks even during the roadwork period. The new traffic routing plan will not allow contraflow traffic in both tunnels.

From 16 April work will be concentrated at night on the east tunnel tube. It will be completely closed five nights a week and turning off on the west junction from the A4 coming from the direction of Olpe to the A1 in the direction of Dortmund will be impossible. Likewise, therefore, no vehicles travelling from the south will be able to leave the motorway at the Lövenich on/off access ramp.

From 23 April south-bound through traffic in the direction of Euskirchen / Koblenz will travel through the west tunnel tube, as in the past. In the east tunnel tube only one lane will be open travelling north during the day and at the weekend. It is recommended that northbound long-distance traffic should extensively bypass the Cologne ring road. At these times vehicles coming from the south can leave the A1 at the Lövenich on/off ramp. Direct change from the A4 coming from the direction of Olpe on to the A1 in the direction of Dortmund will also be possible. However, Lövenich on/off ramp access to the A1 will stay closed for traffic safety.
reasons.

The above notwithstanding, the tunnel will be closed for transport of hazardous goods of any kind.

The State Agency advises road users to consult the official website [www.autobahn.nrw.de](http://www.autobahn.nrw.de) for traffic conditions prior to beginning their journey, and to pay attention to the days of the week and times of the day, as different regulations may apply.

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**A1 Noise-insulation at Lövenich**

Traffic routings from 16 April to end 2012

Monday nights to early Saturday - 21:00 to 05:00

Motorway

Closed section of motorway

Re-routing for the closed Olpe-Dortmund connection on the west junction via the A4 in the direction of Olpe and via the A3 in the direction of Oberhausen

Re-routing for the closed access ramp northbound at the Lovenich on/off ramp

Other roads

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**A1 Noise pollution tunnel at Lovenich**

Traffic routings from 23 April to end 2012

- Monday to Friday 05:00 – 21:00
- Saturday and Sunday all day

Motorway

Closed section of motorway

Re-routing for the closed Aachen-Dortmund connection on the west junction via A4 in the direction of Olpe and via A3 in the direction of Oberhausen

Re-routing for the closed Olpe-Dortmund connection on the west junction via A4 in the direction of Olpe and via A3 in the direction of Oberhausen
Re-routing for the closed Koblenz-Dortmund connection on the west junction via A4 in the direction of Olpe and via A3 in the direction of Oberhausen

Re-routing for the closed access ramp northbound at the Lovenich on/off ramp

Other roads