

**Driving restrictions, goods transport, 2019  
Bulgaria**

<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all goods vehicles over 15t
<b>Prohibition</b>	permanent till the end of the maintenance works
<b>Road concerned</b>	road I-1 between km 276+162 and km 282+485
<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all goods vehicles of over 12t total laden weight
<b>Prohibition</b>	permanent till the end of the maintenance works
<b>Road concerned</b>	road I-3 between km 193+345 (intersection with the road to Pravetz junction) and km 204+200 (intersection with I-1)
<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all goods vehicles of over 15t total laden weight
<b>Prohibition</b>	permanent
<b>Road concerned</b>	road I-5, section Tchernootchene – Kardjali The vehicles concerned should use the following routes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· <i>direction Haskovo – Kardjali</i>: road I-5 – road III-505 – Manastir – road III-507 – Voyvodino – Most – Tchiflik – Kardjali</li><li>· <i>direction Assenovgrad – Kardjali</i>: road II-58 – road I-5, direction Haskovo – road III-505 – Manastir – road III-507 – Voyvodino – Most – Tchiflik – Kardjali</li><li>· <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</li></ul>
<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all goods motor vehicles of over 12t total laden weight (N3) and the towing of trailers and semi trailers with MPW over 10t (O4)
<b>Prohibition</b>	Permanent
<b>Road concerned</b>	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.
<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all goods vehicles of over 3.5t total laden weight
<b>Prohibition</b>	permanent till the end of the maintenance works
<b>Road concerned</b>	road I-5, section overbridge Kirkovo – Makasa
<b>Vehicles concerned</b>	all vehicles
<b>Prohibition</b>	permanent
<b>Road concerned</b>	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.

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

**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)
  - 1 January 2019 from 14h00 to 20h00 \*;
  - 1 March from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 4 March from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 25 April from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 29 April from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 3 May from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 6 May from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 23 May from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 26 May from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 5 September from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 8 September from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 20 September from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 23 September from 14h00 to 20h00;
  - 23 December from 16h00 to 20h00;
  - 26 December from 14h00 to 20h00.
  - \*) – additional restrictions according to Order of Road Infrastructure Agency from 20.12.2018

- Roads concerned**
- all motorways
  - roads class I
    - road I-1 section Rebarkovo – Botevgrad in direction Sofia, the vehicles concerned should use the road II-16 Rebarkovo – Svoje – Sofia ringroad;
    - road I-1 Blagoevgrad – border crossing point “Kulata” (with Greece) in both directions;
    - road I-4 Koritna junction – Veliko Tarnovo – Shumen in both directions;
    - road I-5 Ruse – Veliko Tarnovo in both directions;
    - road I-8 border crossing point “Kalotina” (with Serbia) – Sofia in both directions;
    - road I-9 Varna – Burgas in both directions.
  - roads class II
    - road II-18 Sofia ringroad;
    - road II-99 Burgas – Tsarevo in both directions.

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 2019
- on Friday: from 17h00 to 20h00
  - on Sunday: from 14h00 to 20h00

- Roads concerned**
- roads class I
    - road I-1 section Rebarkovo – Botevgrad, in direction Sofia, the vehicles concerned should use the road II-16 Rebarkovo – Svoje – Sofiav ringroad;
    - road I-1 section Blagoevgrad – border crossing point “Kulata” (with Greece) in both directions;
    - road I-5 section Ruse – Veliko Tarnovo, in both directions;
    - road I-9 section Varna – Burgas, in both directions.
  - roads class II
    - road II-99 section Burgas – Tsarevo, in both directions.

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- Vehicles concerned** all goods vehicles of over 12t total laden weight
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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. – Malashevaska 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.

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

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 2019**

1 January	New Year's Day
3 March	National Day
4 March	Additional public holiday*
26 April	Good Friday (Orthodox)
28 April	Easter Sunday (Orthodox)
29 April	Easter Monday (Orthodox)
1 May	Labour Day
6 May	Bulgarian Army Day
24 May	Day of Slavonic Alphabet
6 September	Day of Unification
22 September	Independence Day
23 September	Additional public holiday*
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 30<sup>th</sup> 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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