

Driving Restrictions, Goods Transport Switzerland 2018

Vehicles concerned Heavy motor vehicles with a maximum authorised weight of more than

3,5t; articulated vehicles when the authorised weight of the combination vehicle exceeds 5t; vehicles with a trailer whose authorised total weight exceeds 5t; industrial tractors and motor vehicles. (Motor vehicles used for the transport of passengers, agricultural vehicles and caravans are

excluded from these restrictions.)

Area throughout Switzerland

Prohibitions Sundays and public holidays from 00h00 to 24h00;

At night from 22h00 to 05h00

Public holidays 2017 1 January New Year's Day

30 March Good Friday
02 April Easter Monday
10 May Ascension Day
21 May Whit Monday
1 August National Day
25 December Christmas Day
26 December Boxing Day

If any of the above dates is not a holiday in one of the cantons or part of a canton, there is no prohibition in that canton. But cantons are allowed to signal (e.g. Valais and Tessin) restrictions by instructions.

The cantonal prohibitions for public holidays do not apply to traffic in transit.

Driving is also forbidden

- from 29 March at 22h00 to 31 March at 05h00
- · from 31 March at 22h00 to 3 April at 05h00
- · from 9 May at 22h00 to 11 May at 05h00
- · from 19 May at 22h00 to 22 May at 05h00
- from 31 July at 22h00 to 2 August at 05h00
- · from 24 December at 22h00 to 27 December at 05h00
- from 31 December at 22h00 to 3 January 2019 at 05h00

Furthermore, in the case of dangerous goods transport, certain restrictions apply to the use of tunnels.

Night Driving Ban:

In Switzerland, the night driving ban is prohibited for all vehicles exceeding 3.5t from 22h00 to 5h00 (except passenger transport), as well as for tractors and industrial working machines, articulated vehicles and road trains of a weight of more than 5 t.

Exceptions:

Passenger vehicles and mobile homes, regardless of their total weight, are excluded from driving restrictions on Sundays and nights

Derogations

Derogations covering the whole of Switzerland may be issued by the authorities of the border cantons in which the journey subject to authorisation begins. Requests from abroad, duly completed, may also be sent at least seven working days before the beginning of the transport to:

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