Restrictions

In accordance with Governmental regulation No. 171, all persons arriving to Belarus from countries where COVID-19 infection has been registered, are obliged to put themselves into self-isolation for 14 calendar days and are not allowed to cross the Belarusian border until self-isolation period is over. The above requirement is not applicable to drivers engaged in international road transport.

The Belarusian Government has issued a Regulation of 25 May 2020 No. 311 on the deployment of navigation devices (seals).

Governmental Regulation of 25 May 2020 No. 311 has also set a fee for this service – 3 basic units which is currently BYN 81 or EUR 31, VAT included.

Extended sanitary norms and rules published by the Belarusian Health Ministry also oblige transit drivers have masks and gloves and use them whenever they leave the cabin.

Relieves

The Government of Belarus has issued a Regulation No. 256 of 24 April 2020 with amendments to the previous Regulation No. 171 of 25 March 2020. These amendments are effective from 1 May 2020, and reflect some of the supportive measures for the industry, including those initiated by the association “BAMAP”.

For vehicles registered in Belarus and used for the international road transport operations of goods, the validity date of the following documents has been extended for 30 calendar days:

- Certificates of approval of a road vehicle for the international carriage of goods under customs seals;

- Certificates of admission of a road vehicle (except for wheel tractors, also in combination with trailers or semi-trailers) issued to validate permission to be on the road.
- International certificates of vehicles’ technical inspections;
- Certificates of technical control issued to validate the compliance of a road vehicle with the ECMT technical standards;

The extension for 30 calendar days will be applicable to the above documents in cases where the validity date expires between 1 May 2020 and 30 May 2020.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Belarus has been instructed to notify foreign states of this decision through diplomatic channels.

Due to the current pandemic situation, and in case the notification of the same decision sent by foreign states to Belarus through diplomatic channels, the State Customs Committee of Belarus has confirmed that it is also ready to accept such certificates of approval as valid when performing customs operations.

On 29 June, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus issued Resolution No. 372, which amends Resolution No. 171 of 25 March 2020; concerning measures to prevent the importation and spread of infection caused by the coronavirus COVID-19; as well as Resolution No.311 of 25 May 2020, on the deployment of navigation devices (seals).

Notably, drivers in transit are no longer requested to use designated highways or stop for rest and fuelling at designated rest areas or fuel stations, or exit Belarus, no longer than the next day, upon the date of entry. Drivers are no longer required to use navigation seals for transit via the territory of Belarus. Navigation seals will be offered as an alternative to customs convoy in cases required by the legislation.

Also, drivers who failed to comply with the above requirements will no longer be requested to use navigation seals for transit via the territory of Belarus. Navigation seals will be offered as an alternative to customs convoy in cases required by the legislation.

The Resolution shall enter into force on 1 July 2020.
SOURCE: BAMAP (from the Ministry of Health, State Border Committee of Belarus and Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus)