**COUNTRY:** Hungary  
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**Restrictions**

With effect from midnight, 17 March, Hungary has closed its internal and external borders. Hungarian citizens and close relatives travelling with them (including those not resident in Hungary) will still be allowed to enter the country.

According to the government decree nr 81/2020, article 3 (7), provisions of articles 2 and 3 of this government decree, these restrictions do not apply to freight traffic. Goods transports arriving and departing from Hungarian destinations, as well as those in transit, are allowed to cross the state border and continue the journey without restrictions, but only through the designated border points (transit routes are highlighted in blue): [here](#).

- Stops are only permitted at designated rest areas and fuel stations;
- Transport operators must have police stamps;
- Only the driver is permitted in the cabin; no passengers (no double-manning);
- Drivers should cross the territory as quickly and efficiently as possible, without the violation of any traffic rules - police procedures are in place at the points of exit.

Official webpage of the Government [here](#).

MKFE is providing all information related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) relevant to foreign hauliers on an up-to-date webpage in [English](#).

In addition to the information above, the National Chief Medical Officer has issued a new resolution on 27 March. This resolution has been amended on 28 March and the previous official quarantine (for a period of fourteen days after crossing the border) for the Hungarian truck drivers not showing symptoms of COVID-19, if the
destination is Hungary, is no more applicable. However, the other dispositions listed below are still in force:

Art 6. Road freight transport drivers are to undergo a medical examination; and

a) Those who are not showing symptoms of COVID-19:

   (ab) As a foreign national, if the destination is Hungary, the person must leave the country within 24 hours from unloading the consignment.

   (ac) In the case of transit traffic, the person has to leave the territory of Hungary in the shortest possible time and on the designated transit route.

   (ad) Must wear a facemask and rubber gloves when travelling in Hungary.

b) Those who are showing symptoms of COVID-19:

   (ba) Hungarian citizens will be housed in a designated quarantine facility.

   (bb) Non-Hungarian citizens cannot enter the territory of Hungary.

Only Art 6.a) (ab), (ac), (ad), and Art 6.b) (bb) are applicable for international road freight transport drivers who are not Hungarian citizens.

The text of the resolution is available in Hungarian here.

Relieves

On 20 March, the Hungarian Permanent Representation to the EU notified the relaxation of driving and rest times rules, notably those contained in art. 6, 7 and 8. Detailed provisions can be found here.

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