COUNTRY: Italy

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Restrictions

On 17 May, the Italian Prime Minister published updated regulations, applicable from 18 May. The <u>DPCM 17 May</u> replaces DPCM 26 April:

Until 2 June, freight transport to/from Sicily can only be operated via the port of Messina-Tremestieri. Rules on freight transport to/from Sardinia remain unchanged.

Members are reminded that the following provisions do not apply anymore:

- Obligation to have a self-certification.
- Obligation to notify local health authorities upon entrance.
- Maximum stay of 72 hours in case of a transport operation ending in Italy.
- Maximum stay of 24 hours in case of a transport operation transiting through Italy.

Relieves

Following the publication of Reg. (EU) 2020/698 and DL n. 18/2020 companies should be aware of the following prorogations:

Driver qualification card:

- Cards expired before 31 January 2020 cannot benefit from the 7 months prorogation.
- Cards expired between 31 January and 29 March 2020 are valid until 29 October 2020. The prorogation only applies at domestic level. At EU level, cards are only valid for 7 months after their expiration date.
- Cards expiring after 29 March are valid for 7 months after their expiration date, both at domestic and EU level.

Driving licenses:

- Licenses expired before 31 January 2020 cannot benefit from the 7 months prorogation, but only from those set out by DL 18/2020 (art. 104 c.1).
- Licenses expired between 1 February and 31 August 2020 remain valid for 7 months after their expiration date both at domestic and EU level.

Tachographs:

• The two year inspection, whose validity expires between 1 March and 31 August 2020, can be carried out within 6 months after its date of expiration. The prorogation is valid both at domestic and EU level

Driver card:

• In case of a request of renewal of the driver card, or in case of a request of replacement of a damaged card, the issue of the new card must happen within 2 months during the period from 1 March until 31 August.

Vehicles inspections:

- Inspections whose validity expire between 1 February and 31 August can be done up to 7 months after their date of expiration.
- Inspections whose validity expired before 29 February can be done up until 31 October 2020; this only applies at domestic level.

Community Licenses:

• Licences expiring between 2 March and 31 August 2020 have their validity extended for additional 6 months, as well as their True Certified Copies.

On 31 March, the Italian Ministry of Transport has extended the temporary authorization concerning the use of rolling highway permits, normally used by non-EU companies to enter Italy by rail; such permits are momentarily valid for entering Italy by road too. The extension applies until further notice.

Sunday and holiday traffic bans for vehicles carrying out international transport in Italy are lifted until further notice.

On 21 April, ANAS and ASPI have confirmed that prorogations mentioned in Art. 130 c.2 of Decree 18/2020 are applicable to certification for exceptional load transport operations. Therefore, authorisations which expire between 31 January and 15 April can be extended up to 15 June.

On 25 June, SFTRF and SITAF decided to amend the rules on access to the Fréjus Road Tunnel for Euro 3 and Euro 4 goods vehicles over 3.5 tonnes. It was decided at first to ban these vehicles from using the tunnel as of 1 July 2020. However, in the context of the current Covid-19 pandemic, there is now a derogation of this rule.

From 1 July until 30 September 2020, Euro 3 and Euro 4 goods vehicles over 3.5 tonnes can still drive through the Fréjus Road Tunnel provided that the vehicle owners have already ordered replacement greener vehicles (Euro 5 or Euro 6). A <u>declaration</u> has to be filled out (in Italian, French or English).

SOURCE: Italian Government, Italian Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, Ministry of Interior, Sardinia Region, FIAP and CONFETRA