Restrictions

On 15 May, Romanian authorities confirmed that their ‘state of emergency’ status was reduced to ‘state of alert’ at national level. Social distancing measures remain mandatory and face masks should be worn in enclosed spaces.

As from 1 June, Romania resumed the international road transport of passengers through regular services, special regular services and occasional services in international traffic. Passenger transport operations are carried out in compliance with those prevention measures applicable to road transport, as established by Law 55/2020. The legal framework is available in Romanian here.

On 17 June, the Romanian Authorities extended the state of alert by another 30 days. Each week, the National Institute of Public Health publishes a "Green zone" and "Yellow zone" list, more details here (in Romanian). All persons coming to Romania from countries not included in the "Green zone" are subject to 14 days quarantine. Starting from 23 June the following countries are included in the "Green zone" list: Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Croatia, Switzerland, Estonia, Finland, France (the European territory), Germany (except for Kreis Gutersloh which is in the Yellow zone), Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Slovakia, Slovenia, Hungary.

The following categories are exempt from this provision:

- Drivers of goods vehicles heavier than 2.4 tonnes who do not have symptoms associated with coronavirus
- Drivers of passenger vehicles with more than 9 seats, including the driver's seat, who do not have symptoms associated with coronavirus
- Drivers travelling for work purposes from their country of residence in another EU Member State or from an EU Member State to their country of
residence, regardless of whether the journey is made by individual means (car) or own-account

- Cross-border workers entering Romania from Hungary, Bulgaria, Serbia, Ukraine or the Republic of Moldova.

All border crossing points are open to goods vehicles, except Oancea (on the border with the Republic of Moldova) and Naidas (on the border with Serbia). Romanian border police provide updates on the current situation at borders here.

Members are reminded that transit corridors are still in force: vehicles transiting through Romania must leave the country within 48 hours from their entry.

There are no changes on the current measures regarding road freight transport:

- Upon entering Romania, drivers of goods vehicles heavier than 2.4 tonnes and who do not have symptoms associated with the coronavirus (COVID-19) must complete a declaration using the template from the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure and Communication, where details of the location where drivers can be contacted during the period between the two transports must be given (templates of these forms are available in Romanian here). Drivers are not required to undergo self-isolation at home or quarantine, provided that the employer ensures they use protective materials against coronavirus (COVID-19).

- Note: foreign drivers of goods vehicles heavier than 2.4 tonnes who are transiting Romanian territory are not required to complete the medical statement (see below).

- The provision of the previous article applies accordingly to drivers of goods vehicles heavier than 2.4 tonnes, who are travelling for professional reasons either from Romania to another European Union Member State, or from another EU Member State to Romania, to the state of residence of the driver, regardless of whether the trip is made in his/her freight vehicle, by individual means of transport or on his/her own. Upon entry to Romania they must present an employee certificate signed by the employer.

- Drivers of goods vehicles heavier than 2.4 tonnes who are transiting Romanian territory are not required to complete the medical statement.
upon entry into Romania, provided they meet the following minimum conditions:

- They only use transit corridors, and border crossing points at the end of these corridors, approved by the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure and Communication and the Ministry of Internal Affairs. Any deviation from these is not permitted.
- Transit through Romanian territory must be done within the minimum time frame, and must not exceed 48 hours from entry into Romania, including stationary periods for their daily rest.
- Parking of the vehicle is done exclusively in allocated parking areas located along the identified transit corridors.

- In the case of non-compliance with the conditions provided in the above paragraph, the driver of the vehicle will be obliged to enter quarantine for 14 days, bearing any expenses incurred for this quarantine.

- Upon entering Romania the driver is required to apply a special sticker from by the State Inspectorate for Control of Road Transport to the vehicle’s windscreen, in order to show the transit corridors (the model of which has been established by the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communications).

Drivers transiting Romania must fill out [this form](#) when entering the country. The form must be handed over at the border of exit.

Note: In this case, the Romanian Inspectorate for Road Transport Control confirmed that professional drivers are also required to have the form provided by ANNEX 3, Template of Certificate for International Transport Workers (EC communication on green lanes) details [here](#).

Romanian authorities have also published an [interactive map](#) displaying transit corridors, refueling stations and rest areas.

The updated border waiting times and the list of border crossing points closed can be found [here](#).
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