

## Driving Restrictions, Goods Transport Switzerland

**Vehicles concerned** Lorries with a maximum authorised weight of more than 3.5t; industrial tractors and machines; articulated vehicles and road trains of over 5t. (Passenger transport vehicles, camping cars and agricultural vehicles are excluded from these restrictions.)

**Area** throughout Switzerland

**Prohibitions** Sundays and public holidays from 00h00 to 24h00;  
At night from 22h00 to 05h00

<b>Public holidays 2016</b>	1 January	New Year's Day
	25 March	Good Friday
	28 March	Easter Monday
	5 May	Ascension Day
	16 May	Whit Monday
	1 August	National Day
	25 December	Christmas Day
	26 December	St Stephen's 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 24 March at 22h00 to 26 March at 05h00
- from 26 March at 22h00 to 29 March at 05h00
- from 4 May at 22h00 to 6 May at 05h00
- from 14 May at 22h00 to 17 May at 05h00
- from 30 July at 22h00 to 2 August at 05h00
- from 24 December at 22h00 to 27 December at 05h00
- from 31 December at 22h00 to 2 January 2017 at 05h00

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

### Night driving

In Switzerland, night driving is prohibited for all vehicles over 3.5t from 22h00 to 05h00 (except the transport of persons), and industrial tractors and machines, articulated vehicles and road trains of over 5t.

## **Derogations**

Derogations covering the whole of Switzerland may be issued by the authorities of the cantons concerned by the journey or of the canton in which the journey subject to authorisation begins. The allocation of these authorisations is no longer within the jurisdiction of the canton if its territory is no longer concerned.

For foreign vehicles, authorisations are issued by the

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