

Driving Abroad

Required Accessories

Warning Triangle X2 if towing

First Aid Kit

Visi Vest Jacket for all occupants (Must be donned before leaving vehicle in France)

NF Approved Breathalyser Twin Pack (Supposedly needed in France but disputed)

Spare Vehicle Bulbs

GB sticker on all vehicles or EU number plates

Headlamp converters (if needed)

Documents

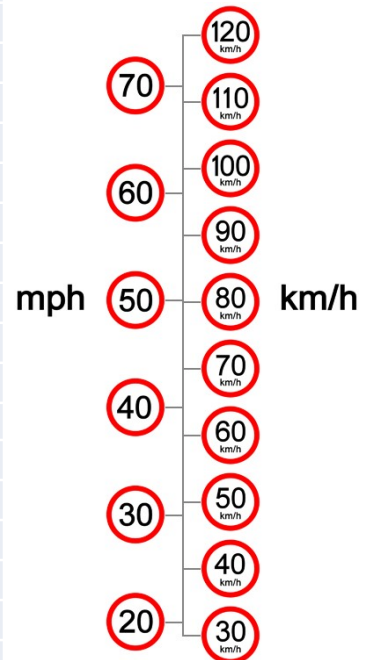
Full, valid driving licence and national insurance number

- Proof of vehicle insurance
- Proof of ID (passport)
- V5C Certificate
- Travel insurance documents
- European Breakdown Cover policy number and documents
- Before you travel ensure your vehicle's tax and MOT are valid and up-to-date

Crit'Air: The Air Quality Certificate (France) If needed

Umweltplakette: environmental badge (Germany) If needed

	Vehicle	Motorways	Other roads
Germany	Car + caravan under 3.5t	50mph, 80km/h*	50mph, 80km/h
	Car + caravan over 3.5t	50mph, 80km/h*	50mph, 80km/h
	Motorhome under 3.5t	81mph, 130km/h	62mph, 100km/h
	Motorhome over 3.5t	62mph, 100km/h	50mph, 80km/h
Belgium	Car + caravan under 3.5t	74mph, 120km/h	56mph, 90km/h
	Car + caravan over 3.5t	56mph, 90km/h	56mph, 90km/h
	Motorhome under 3.5t	74mph, 120km/h	56mph, 90km/h
	Motorhome over 3.5t	56mph, 90km/h	56mph, 90km/h
Holland	Car + caravan under 3.5t	56mph, 90km/h	50-56mph, 80-90km/h
	Car + caravan over 3.5t	50mph, 80km/h	50mph, 80km/h
	Motorhome under 3.5t	81mph, 130km/h*	50-56mph, 80-90km/h*
	Motorhome over 3.5t	50mph, 80km/h	50mph, 80km/h
France	Car + caravan under 3.5t	81mph, 130km/h	56-68mph, 90-110km/h
	Car + caravan over 3.5t	56mph, 90km/h	50-56mph, 80-96km/h
	Motorhome under 3.5t	81mph, 130km/h	56-68mph, 90-110km/h
	Motorhome over 3.5t	68mph, 110km/h	50-62mph, 80-100km/h



Speed limit with caravan in Germany

The speed limit for towing in Germany is 80km/h or 50mph.

Some caravans are certified to be able to go at 100km/h if the speed limit allows. These will have a 100km sticker on the rear.

My personal opinion is, if you stick to 80km/h on the motorways you will experience a lot of angry lorry drivers, especially as there are long stretches of no overtaking for them this includes caravans.. They are restricted to 90km/h.



No passing

The no passing restriction is in effect only between 8-11am and 4-6pm and applies only to vehicles with a permitted gross weight over 3.5 tonnes, buses, and any vehicle pulling a trailer

Over many years I have worked on the basis that if you go at 90km/h you will fit in with the lorries and you will not annoy anyone and I have done this and been passed by police cars without any bother. I add once again this is my personal experience and I am in no way recommending this.

You will pass large gantries with what look like speed cameras. These are in fact to do with checking the Toll for lorries.

