

Traffic offences - sanctions Belgium

The classification of offences regarding transport regulations in Belgium entered into force on 1 September 2007. For purely administrative offences the fine imposed amounts to € 50. For all other offences, various elements have been taken into consideration: the economic advantage gained by the offender; the impact of the offence on road safety, on the social situation of the driver and on the environment; the intention to fraud or obstructive behaviour during a check.

The following table provides examples of traffic offences and the corresponding fines. A full list is available on the following web page: <http://www.mobiliteit.fgov.be/data/pbs/p070508af.pdf>

Transport licences – goods transport

Infringement	Fine
No transport licence on board the vehicle	€ 900
No transport licence on board the vehicle, but proof of its existence was provided immediately	€ 50
The transport licence is used for a vehicle other than the one indicated in the document (in the case of a Belgian or Community licence)	€ 900
The transport licence is used for a vehicle other than the one indicated in the document (in the case of a Belgian or Community licence) but proof of the existence of a licence for the vehicle being checked was provided immediately	€ 50
The transport licence contains incomplete or erroneous information (in the case of a Belgian or Community licence)	€ 50
The transport licence contains illegible information which renders its identification/control impossible or it cannot be checked as a result of plastification	€ 900
The transport licence is in the possession of a person other than the one mentioned in the document	€ 900
The transport authorisation from outwith the EC and/or the transport log have not been filled in or only partially so	€ 900
The frequency of use of the ECMT authorisation exceeds the number of laden trips authorised	€ 1800
The vehicle is carrying out an illegal cabotage operation	€ 1800
The Community licence presented is invalid due to the absence of the driver attestation	€ 900
The transport licence is false or the data contained in it have been falsified	€ 1800
The driver attestation is false or the data contained in it have been falsified	€ 1800
The driver refuses to present the transport licence	€ 1800
The driver refuses to present the driver attestation	€ 1800

Exceeding the maximum authorised weights and dimensions

Excess	Fine if excess is due to load	Fine if excess is due to vehicle modification
up to 5%	€ 60	€ 82.50
>5% to 10%	€ 300	€ 412.50
>10% to 15%	€ 560	€ 770
>15% to 20%	€ 800	€ 1100
>20% to 30%	€ 1000	€ 1375
>30% to 40%	€ 1120	€ 1540
>40%	€ 1240	€ 1705

Driving and rest time

Infringement	Fine
Authorised daily driving time exceeded	€ 40 – € 1600
Authorised period of continuous driving exceeded	€ 20 – € 2000
Compulsory minimum daily rest time not respected	€ 50 per half hour short
Compulsory minimum weekly rest time not respected	€ 100 per hour short
Authorised weekly driving time exceeded	€ 100 per hour in excess

Record sheets

Infringement	Fine
The driver cannot produce one or more record sheets for the period following his last weekly rest period	€ 1200
The driver cannot produce one or more record sheets for the period preceding his last weekly rest period	€ 600
The driver refuses to provide one or more record sheets for the period following his last weekly rest period	€ 2400
One or more record sheets are illegible and/or cannot be checked because they are dirty and/or damaged and are not accompanied by the reserve sheet	€ 1200
The data have not been recorded on the correct sheet (in the case of two drivers)	€ 1200
The data on one or more record sheets have been falsified, deleted or destroyed	€ 2400

Tachograph

Infringement	Fine
The equipment does not comply with the regulations (installation or repair in an uncertified workshop, seals missing or incorrect etc.)	€ 1200
Following incorrect installation, the seals have broken without compromising the correct operation of the equipment	€ 50
The equipment is used incorrectly	€ 50 – € 1200
The equipment has been tampered with to prevent correct recording	€ 2400
The vehicle is not equipped with a tachograph although it is compulsory for this type of vehicle or transport operation	€ 1200
The driver refuses to have the equipment checked	€ 2400

Driver's card

Infringement	Fine
The validity of the card has expired	€ 1200
The driver cannot produce his card because it was lost or stolen nor can he produce proof that he has declared the loss or the theft	€ 1200
The driver does not have his card on board the vehicle	€ 1200
The driver refuses to present his card	€ 2400

Print-out of data recorded by the digital tachograph

Infringement	Fine
The printed data are illegible due to negligence or lack of care on the part of the driver	€ 1200
The driver refuses to present the print-out of the data recorded by the digital tachograph	€ 2400
The printed data have been falsified, deleted or destroyed	€ 2400

Authorisations - passenger transport (vehicles registered in another EEA member state or in Switzerland)

Infringement	Fine
In regular or occasional international services or occasional cabotage, no Community licence or Swiss authorisation on board the vehicle	€ 900
In regular international services, no valid authorisation on board the vehicle	€ 900
In occasional international services or occasional cabotage, no valid waybill on board the vehicle	€ 900

No Community licence, regular international transport authorisation, waybill or attestation on board the vehicle, but proof of its existence was provided immediately	€ 50
The authorisation, attestation or waybill has been falsified or rendered useless for control purposes, contains false data or is used in a fraudulent manner	€ 1800
The driver refuses to present the authorisation, attestation or waybill	€ 1800

Authorisations - passenger transport (vehicles registered in a country outwith the EEA or Switzerland)

Infringement	Fine
In regular international services, or in occasional or international shuttle services subject to authorisation, no valid authorisation on board the vehicle	€ 900
In occasional services or international shuttle services not subject to authorisation, no valid waybill on board the vehicle	€ 900
The vehicle is performing occasional cabotage on Belgian territory	€ 1800
No authorisation or waybill on board the vehicle, but proof of its existence was provided immediately	€ 50
The authorisation or waybill has been falsified or rendered useless for control purposes, contains false data or is used in a fraudulent manner	€ 1800
The driver refuses to present the authorisation or waybill	€ 1800

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