



Passenger cars, vans and light commercial vehicles
(≤ 3.500 kg)

Winter Tyre legislation Europe

Country	Obligation	Period
Albania (AL)	Required in certain areas	-
Austria (AT)	Required in winter conditions	1 November until 15 April
Belarus (BY)	Required	1 December until 28 February
Belgium (BE)	Not required	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	Required	15 November until 15 April
Bulgaria (BG)	Required	15 November until 28 February
Croatia (HR)	Required	15 November until 15 April
Czech Republic (CZ)	Required in winter conditions	1 November until 31 March
Denmark (DK)	Not required, but recommended in winter conditions	-
Estonia (EE)	Required	1 December until 28 February
Finland (FI)	Required in winter conditions, also for trailers of 750 kg and over	1 November until 31 March
France (FR)	Snow tyres or snow chains are required in mountainous regions. Check bandveilig.nl for more information	1 November until 31 March
Germany (DE)	Required in winter conditions	-
Great-Britain (GB)	Not required	-
Greece (GR)	Not required	-
Hungary (HU)	Not required	-
Iceland (IS)	Not required	-
Ireland (IE)	Not required	-
Italy and San Marino (IT)	Required by sign. Exception: winter tyres are mandatory in the Aosta valley	15 November until 15 April
Latvia (LV)	Required	1 December until 1 March
Lithuania (LT)	Required	10 November until 31 March
Luxembourg (LU)	Required in winter conditions	-
North Macedonia (MK)	Required by sign and in winter conditions	15 November until 15 March
Moldova (MD)	Required in winter conditions	1 December until 1 March
Montenegro (ME)	Required in winter conditions	15 November until 31 March
Norway (NO)	Required, alternative: snow chains	-
Poland (PL)	Not required, but recommended	-
Portugal (PT)	Not required	-
Romania (RO)	Required in winter conditions	-
Serbia (RS)	Required in winter conditions	1 November until 31 March
Slovakia (SK)	Required in winter conditions	15 November until 31 March
Slovenia (SI)	Required	15 November until 15 March
Spain (ES)	Not required	-
Sweden (SE)	Required in winter conditions	1 December until 31 March
Switzerland (CH)	Not required	-
The Netherlands (NL)	Not required	-
Ukraine (UA)	Required in winter conditions	-



Commercial vehicles (> 3.500 kg)

Winter Tyre legislation Europe

Country	Obligation	Period
Albania (AL)	Required in certain areas	-
Austria (AT)	Required for at least one driven axle	1 November until 15 April
Belarus (BY)	Not required	-
Belgium (BE)	Not required	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	Required	15 November until 15 April
Bulgaria (BG)	Required	15 November until 28 February
Croatia (HR)	Required for at least one driven axle	15 November until 15 April
Czech Republic (CZ)	Required for at least the driven axle(s) in winter conditions	1 November until 31 March
Denmark (DK)	Not required, but recommended in the winter season	-
Germany (DE)	Required for the driven axle(s) in winter conditions. Not required for trailers.-	-
Estonia (EE)	Not required	-
Finland (FI)	Required in winter conditions on all axles of vehicle and trailers	1 December until 31 March
France (FR)	Snow tyres or snow chains are compulsory in mountainous regions. Check bandveilig.nl for more information	1 December until 31 March
Greece (GR)	Not required	-
Great-Britain (GB)	Not required	-
Hungary (HU)	Not required	-
Iceland (IS)	Not required	-
Ireland (IE)	Not required	-
Italy and San Marino (IT)	Required by sign. Exception: winter tyres are mandatory in the Aosta valley	15 November until 15 April
Latvia (LV)	Not required	-
Lithuania (LT)	Not required	-
Luxembourg (LU)	Required for the driven axle(s) in winter conditions	-
North Macedonia (MK)	Required by sign	15 November until 15 March
Moldova (MD)	Required for the driven axle(s)	1 December until 31 March
Montenegro (ME)	Required	15 November until 31 March
Norway (NO)	Required for all axles, also for trailers	15 November until 31 March
Poland (PL)	Not required, but recommended	-
Portugal (PT)	Not required	-
Romenia (RO)	Required for at least the driven axle(s) in winter conditions	-
Serbia (RS)	Required for the driven axle(s) in winter conditions	1 November until 31 March
Slovenia (SI)	Required for the driven axle(s) in winter conditions	15 November until 15 March
Slovakia (SK)	Required for at least one driven axle	15 November until 31 March
Spain (ES)	Not required	-
Sweden (SE)	Required in winter conditions on all axles of vehicle and trailers	1 December until 31 March
Switzerland (CH)	Required by sign	1 December until 31 March
The Netherlands (NL)	Not required	-
Ukraine (UA)	Not required	-