

WINTER TYRES

VACO

Passenger cars and vans (<3.500 kg)

2016 - 2017

Country	Period	Note
● Albania (AL)		Can be required locally. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Andorra (AD)		
● Armenia (AM)		Recommended in winter season.
● Belgium (BE)		From 01-05 until 01-10 winter tyres with a lower speed index than the maximum speed of the vehicle are prohibited.
● Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	15-11 untill 15-04	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Bulgaria (BG)		Recommended in winter season.
● Denmark (DK)		Recommended in winter season.
● Germany (DE)		Required in winter conditions. Not for trailer/caravan. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Estonia (EE)	01-12 untill 28-02	Also required beyond the period in winter conditions. Minimum of 3 mm. profile.
● Finland (FI)	01-12 untill 28-02	Minimum of 3 mm. profile
● France (FR)		Even if there is no sign, it is possible that in a collision, the blame can be assigned.
● Greece (GR)		
● Great-Britain (GB)		
● Hungary (HU)		
● Eire (IE)		
● Italy (IT)	15-11 untill 15-03	Local authorities are able to require winter tyres or snow chains by a sign. In Aostadal winter tyres or snow chains are required from 15-10 untill 15-04. Even when there is no sign, is it possible that in a collision, the blame can be assigned. From 15-05 untill 15-10 winter tyres (M+S) with a speedindex lower than the maximum speed of the vehicle according to the manufacturer are forbidden.
● Croatia (HR)	15-11 untill 15-04	Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Latvia (LV)	01-12 untill 01-03	Minimum of 3 mm. profile. Also required beyond the period in winter conditions.
● Lithuania (LT)	10-11 untill 01-04	Required for all vehicles (incl. trailer/caravan). Minimum of 3 mm. profile.
● Luxemburg (LU)		Required in winter conditions.
● Macedonia (MK)	15-11 untill 15-03	Outside the urban area, winter tyres are required. Minimum of 4 mm. profile. 4x4-vehicles a minimum of 6 mm. profile.
● Moldova (MD)	01-12 intill 01-03	Required in winter conditions. Also for trailers.
● Montenegro (ME)	15-11 untill 01-04	Minimum of 4 mm profile.
● The Netherlands (NL)		
● Norway (NO)	15-10 untill 01-05	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 3 mm. profile.
● Ukraine (UA)		
● Austria (AT)	01-11 untill 15-04	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Poland (PL)		
● Portugal (PT)		
● Romania (RO)		Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 2 mm. profile. All-season tyres are not recognised as winter tyres.
● Serbia (RS)	01-11 untill 01-04	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Slovenia (SI)	15-11 untill 15-03	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 3 mm. profile.
● Slovakia (SK)	15-11 untill 31-03	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Spain (ES)		Required locally, in mountainous areas.
● Czech Republic (CZ)	01-11 untill 30-04	Required in winter conditions. On certain roads, obligation of winter tyres is signed by a board. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.
● Turkey (TR)	01-12 untill 31-03	Required in winter conditions. Only for passenger cars and transport of goods.
● Belarus (BY)		Required in winter conditions.
● Iceland (IS)	01-11 untill 15-04	
● Sweden (SE)	01-12 untill 31-03	Required in winter conditions. Minimum of 3 mm. profile. All-season tyres are not recognised as winter tyres.
● Switzerland (CH)		Even when there is no sign, it is possible that in a collision, the blame can assigned. When a vehicle without winter tyres is inhibit the traffic than it is possible the police will give a ticket. Minimum of 4 mm. profile.

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● Only required by sign



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● Albania (AL)	01-11 until 30-04	In certain area's of the country. At least on 2 wheels of the driven shaft(s).
● Andorra (AD)		
● Armenia (AM)		Only when used on at least 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Belgium (BE)		
● Bosnia-Herzegovina (BA)	15-11 until 15-04	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Bulgaria (BG)	01-11 until 31-03	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Denmark (DK)		
● Germany (DE)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Estonia (EE)		
● Finland (FI)		
● France (FR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Greece (GR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Great-Britain (GB)		
● Hungary(HU)		At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
● Ire (IE)		
● Italy (IT)	15-11 until 15-04	At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
● Croatiaï (HR)	15-11 until 15-04	At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
● Latvia (LV)		
● Lithuania (LT)		
● Luxembourg (LU)		
● Macedonia (MK)	15-10 until 15-03	With summer tyres, snow chains are required on all wheels. Min. 6 mm. profile.
● Moldova (MD)		
● Montenegro (ME)	15-11 until 01-04	
● The Netherlands(NL)		
● Noorway (NO)	15-10 until 01-05	Min. 3 chains; 2 on driven shaft and 1 on steering shaft. In combination with trailer, at least 7 chains are required.
● Ukraine (UA)		
● Austria (AT)	15-11 until 15-04	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Poland (PL)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Portugal (PT)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Romenia (RO)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Servia (RS)		
● Slovenia (SI)	15-11 until 15-03	On board is required with summer tyres. At least on 2 wheels of the driven shaft(s).
● Slovakia(SK)	15-11 until 15-03	On vehicles > 12 tons: on board required. At least on 2 wheels of the driven shaft(s).
● Spain (ES)		In mountainous areas.
● Czech Republic (CZ)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s). >7,5 ton, on board is required.
● Turkey (TR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
● Belarus(BY)		
● Iceland (IS)		
● Sweden (SE)		Snow chains are accepted as winter equipment equal to winter tyres.
● Switzerland (CH)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).



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● Belgium (BE)		
● Bosnia-Herzegovina (BA)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on driving shaft(s).
● Bulgaria (BG)	01-11 untill 31-03	At least on driving shaft(s).
● Denmark (DK)		
● Germany (DE)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Estonia (EE)		
● Finland (FI)		
● France (FR)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Greece (GR)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Great-Britain (GB)		
● Hungary(HU)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Eire (IE)		
● Italy (IT)	15-11 untill 15-04	In combination with summer tyres.
● Croatië (HR)	15-11 untill 15-04	
● Latvia (LV)		
● Lithuania (LT)		
● Luxembourg (LU)		
● Macedonia (MK)	15-10 untill 15-03	In combination with summer tyres. Minimum 6 mm. profile.
● Moldova (MD)		
● Montenegro (ME)	15-11 untill 01-04	
● The Netherlands(NL)		
● Noorway (NO)		Admitted from 15-10 untill 01-05.
● Ukraine (UA)		
● Austria (AT)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on driving shaft(s).
● Poland (PL)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Portugal (PT)		At least on driving shaft(s).
● Romenia (RO)		On board is required with summer tyres.
● Servia (RS)	01-11 untill 01-04	Mount only snow chains in combination with winter tyres.
● Slovenia (SI)	15-11 untill 15-03	On board is required with summer tyres. Minimum 3 mm. profile.
● Slovakia(SK)		
● Spain (ES)		In mountainous areas.
● Czech Republic (CZ)		
● Turkey (TR)		
● Belarus(BY)		
● Iceland (IS)		
● Sweden (SE)		Snow chains are accepted as winter equipment equal to winter tyres.
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Andorra (AD)		
Armenia (AM)		Only when used on at lease 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Belgium (BE)		
Bosnia-Herzegovina (BA)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Bulgaria (BG)	01-11 untill 31-03	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Denemark (DK)		
Germany (DE)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Estonia (EE)		
Finland (FI)		
France (FR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Griecce (GR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Great-Britain (GB)		
Hongary(HU)		At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
Ire (IE)		
Italy (IT)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
Croatië (HR)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on 2 wheels driving shaft(s).
Latvia (LV)		
Lithuania (LT)		
Luxembourg (LU)		
Macedonia (MK)	15-10 untill 15-03	With summer tyres, snow chains are required on all wheels. Min. 6 mm. profile.
Moldova (MD)		
Montenegro (ME)	15-11 untill 01-04	
The Netherlands(NL)		
Noorway (NO)	15-10 untill 01-05	Min. 3 chains; 2 on driven shaft and 1 on steering shaft. In combination with trailer, at least 7 chains are required.
Ukraine (UA)		
Austria (AT)	15-11 untill 15-04	At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Poland (PL)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Portugal (PT)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Romenia (RO)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Servia (RS)		
Slovenia (SI)	15-11 untill 15-03	On board is required with summer tyres. At least on 2 wheels of the driven shaft(s).
Slovakia(SK)	15-11 untill 15-03	On vehicles > 12 tons: on board required. At least on 2 wheels of the driven shaft(s).
Spain (ES)		In mountainous areas.
Czech Republic (CZ)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s). >7,5 ton, on board is required.
Turkey (TR)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).
Belarus(BY)		
Iceland (IS)		
Sweden (SE)		Snow chains are accepted as winter equipment equal to winter tyres.
Switzerland (CH)		At least on 2 wheels of the driving shaft(s).



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