

Notice on gaining exemption from the truck driving ban imposed on Sundays and legal holidays

Exhibitors are able to apply for special exemption from this ban. A new, national regulation has been in force since June 26, 2008 relating to the granting of exemption from the truck driving ban, which applies on Sundays and legal holidays in Germany.

Application advice has been issued by the Bavarian Ministry of the Interior relating to the regulation currently in force. This states that, in the case of transportation of equipment, exhibition objects, food and drink required for exhibitions, markets, public festivals and cultural or sporting events, a level of urgency should always be assumed, which justifies that regular exemption should be granted without a detailed examination of the individual case (simplified approval procedure as defined by the administrative provisions in section 46 of the German Road Traffic Regulations).

Applications for exemption for a specific date must be submitted in writing to the relevant authority (e.g. Landratsamt, the local administrative office) stating grounds for the application (including details of the goods to be transported).

Foreign applicants may submit applications in the run up to the event – i.e. from now on - to the local administrative authority or to towns which are the chief towns of their district or are administrative districts in their own right, and within whose province the border crossing falls. This would mean the Rosenheim local administrative office (Landratsamt) for the Kiefersfelden/Kufstein former border crossing point, the town of Bad Reichenhall for the Bad Reichenhall/Walserberg former border crossing point, the local administrative office (Landratsamt) of Passau for the Passau/Suben former border.

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