



Welcome to
Poland



Poland lies in the heart of Europe. Only two-hour flight separate Warsaw – the capital city of Poland – from London and Paris. Vienna or Berlin are even closer – just an hour away. Fast and convenient traffic and railway system makes Poland easily accessible from all directions. Our guests can choose from half a million accommodation options, dine in one of the thousand of restaurants and choose their favourite form of entertainment from hundreds of offers. Accession to the European Union in May 2004 contributed to faster economic development of the country.

Visitors find Polish diverse landscape attractive at any time of the year. In the south – the Tatra mountains of an alpine look and nearby Beskid and Karkonosze mountains with many inviting ski resorts. In the central part of the country one can find huge forests and beautiful national parks. In the north, crystal clear lakes of the Mazury and broad beaches of the Baltic Sea coast. Cities filled with historical, world-class monuments are scattered throughout the country. Our climate is moderate and Polish people are warm and hospitable.

Foreigners travelling to Poland by car should hold their home country driver's license. If the document has no photo attached, it is advised to hold an international driver's license as well. Visitors from outside European Union are required to have an insurance policy – so called 'Green Card', from the moment they cross the Polish border.

Poland has specific policy concerning blood alcohol level and speed limit regulations. Visitors should be familiar with these before entering our country. It is highly advisable to double-check your car before every long journey.

The driver should be well rested and remember to make appropriate breaks during long distance travels. Adults must always wear their seat belts and all children under the age of 12 must travel using car safety seating devices. Foreigners should pay an extra attention while driving in Poland – especially in smaller towns and villages, and after dusk or in places with heavy pedestrian traffic.

In this guidebook you will find all the practical hints and suggestions how to travel safely in Poland.

Other useful information about Poland can be found at:

www.poland-tourism.pl

www.poland.gov.pl

About Poland...

The Republic of Poland lies in the very centre of Europe, at the intersection of important communication routes leading the west to the east, and – across the Baltic Sea – from the north to the south of our continent. The geographical centre of Europe lies in the village of Suchowola.



Poland covers an area

of 312 685 square kilometres. Its population amounts to 38 650 000 inhabitants.

The country's official language is Polish.

The capital city of Poland is Warsaw (2 000 000 inhabitants). Other big cities include Łódź, Kraków, Wrocław, Poznań, Gdańsk, Lublin and Szczecin.

Poland uses Central European Time (GMT +1) and Eastern European Time (UTC +2) from March until October. Average temperature in January ranges from -1 to -5 degrees Celsius (on the seacoast and in the western parts of the country) and from -4.5 degrees Celsius to -5.5 degrees Celsius (in the north-eastern parts) and about -7 degrees Celsius in the mountain region. Average temperature in July amounts to 16.5 degrees in Pomerania and 19 degrees Celsius in the southern part of Poland.





The national currency is „zloty” (PLN).

1 złoty equals 100 „groszys”. The following bank notes and coins are in circulation: (coins) 1,2,5,10,20,50 groszy, 1,2,5 złoty; (bank notes) 10,20,50,100 and 200 złotys.

1 € = about 4.00 złotys (PLN)

1 \$ = about 3.00 złotys (PLN)

Foreign currency exchange is possible in banks and foreign exchange offices. ATMs are available throughout the country.

Credit cards are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, petrol stations, big shops and shopping malls. The most popular cards are: Maestro, MasterCard, Visa Electron, Visa Classic and American Express.

Banks are generally open from Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. till 6 p.m. Wide network of Polish banks facilitates all money, credit cards and traveller's cheques operations.

Post-offices working hours: Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. till 8 p.m. Saturdays from 8 a.m. till 1 p.m. There are 24/7 post-offices in bigger cities.

Groceries and shopping malls are generally open all week till late night but some of them might be closed on Sundays.



Medical treatment. Medical treatment. Citizens of the European Union and European Economic Zone as well as members of their families coming to Poland as tourists may get medical assistance in case of an emergency on the basis of their insurance from their country of residence. In such cases it is necessary to present E-111 form, confirmed in their country before coming to Poland. The E-112 form, together with your insurer confirmation entitles you to medical help in non-emergency situations. Students are entitled to all forms of medical treatment on the basis of an E-128 form. Retirees and pensioners are entitled to all necessary medical services during their stay in Poland after providing a confirmed E-121 form.

Heavy traffic! Be careful!

You may expect more intense traffic every weekend (Friday and Sunday afternoons and Saturday mornings) especially roads leading to and from big cities. The traffic can be heavy also on:

- January:** 1st. (**New Year**), winter school holiday's start
- February:** winter school holidays
 - people leaving and coming back.
- March/April:** Easter
- May:** 1st (**Labour Day**),
3rd (**national holiday – Constitution Day**)
- June:** Corpus Christi, end of school year
 - the beginning of summer holidays.
- July:** leaving for and coming back from summer holidays
- August:** 1st -15th (**pedestrian pilgrimages to Częstochowa**), 15 (**Ascension**), summer holidays traffic.
- September:** 1st – beginning of school year
- November:** 1st (**All Saints' Day**), 11th (**Independence Day**)

When crossing the border...

To cross the Polish border you must possess:

- a valid passport or, in case of an EU member state citizen, other document which allows to assertconfirms your identity and a country of which you are a citizen; and citizenship;
- a visa; in case of citizens of e.g. Belarus, Russia and Ukraine;
- a registration card of a vehicle (if your car is pulling a trailer – there should be a relevant entry in the registration card). If the vehicle you are driving belongs to a third person, you should have a valid power of attorney to take the vehicle abroad;
- a valid driving license from your country or an international one;
- civil liability policy issued to the owner of the vehicle (it is not obligatory for the UE citizens to possess a „green card” while entering Poland by car).



If you are travelling with a dog or a cat remember that you should have a passport for your pet. The pet has to have a number tattooed on its body or an electronic chip implanted.

Duty free. All goods carried to Poland from other EU countries are duty free. But the fact that customs offices disappeared from Polish borders doesn't mean that custom officers can't control you – they can do it anywhere all over Poland. Customs clearance is still obligatory on the border crossings with Russia, Belarus and Ukraine.

Citizens of the EU (17 years of age or older) coming to Poland are allowed to carry goods for personal purposes (not for sale), up to: 800 cigarettes, 200 cigars, 1 kg of tobacco, 10 litres of spirits, 20 litres of wine (stronger one, like sherry, porto), 90 litres of wine (up to 60 litres of sparkling wine), 110 litres of beer per person.

Citizens of the non EU countries coming to Poland are allowed to carry for personal purposes duty free: up to 200 cigarettes, 50 cigars, 0,25 kg of tobacco, 1 litre of spirit or 2 litres of wine (stronger one like sherry, porto) or 2 litres of wine or 5 litres of

beer. Specific regulations apply to residents of the border areas and crews of all the means of transport travelling from the EU to other, non-EU countries. Value of all the other goods in your personal luggage cannot exceed 175 euro (for the person under 15 years of age – 90 euro) and for the residents of the border areas – 80 euro.



VAT tax refund is possible only to those travellers who are not permanent residents of the European Union territory and have made their purchases as private individuals. The goods must be purchased in shops marked with „Tax free” in English and „Zwrot podatku” in Polish. The minimum refundable amount is 200 PLN. Below this value tax will not be refunded. The salesperson is obliged to fill in a special TAX FREE form for the buyer, which together with the bill of sale certifies the purchase of the goods. The dates on the TAX FREE form and on the bill of sale must be the same.

The purchased goods have to be taken out of Poland not later than 3 months after the end of the month of the purchase (e.g. if the purchase date is July,10th the commodity have to leave Poland not later than

October,31th). The goods have to be taken intact, without any traces of use. Original packaging should not be opened, groceries should not be even partially consumed. The Polish customs officers must certify the export of goods on the TAX FREE form. Please remember: the TAX FREE document must always be issued for the person exporting the commodity; you are not entitled to a tax refund for the purchase of fuel.

Fuelling up your car in Poland is not a problem. Petrol and liquid gas stations are numerous and they are marked with following symbols:

1. Unleaded petrols

98E Europlus **95E** Eurosuper **95U** For cars without a catalytic converter

2. Other fuels

ON diesel oil **LPG** liquid gas

Charges for toll motorways (zl)

Type of vehicle	A4	A2		
	Kraków Katowice	Konin Września	Września Krzesiny	Poznań Nowy Tomyśl
Motorcycles and two axle motor vehicles	10,00 5,00*)	11,00	11,00	11,00
Two axle motor vehicles that have at least one pair of twin wheels and two axle motor vehicles with trailers	22,00 11,00*)	27,00	27,00	27,00
Three axle motor vehicles and two axle motor vehicles that have at least one pair of twin wheels with trailers	22,00 11,00*)	41,00	41,00	41,00
Motor vehicles with more than three axles and three axle motor vehicles with trailers	22,00 11,00*)	63,00	63,00	63,00
Non-standard vehicles.	22,00 11,00*)	110,00	110,00	110,00

*) If exiting before the end of the motorway.

Border Crossings

(main)

The EU countries

Non-EU countries

	RUS	PL	
Bezledy Bagrationowsk ¹⁾	 		Olsztyn 87 km
Gołdap Gusiew ¹⁾	 		Białystok 175 km
Gronowo Mamonowo ³⁾	 		Elbląg 45 km
	EU	LT	PL
Budzisko Kalwaria	 		Białystok 143 km
Ogrodniki Lazdijai ⁴⁾	 		Białystok 144 km
	BY	PL	
Bobrowniki Bierastawica	 		Białystok 51 km
Kuźnica Bruzgi	 		Białystok 58 km
Połowce Pieszczatka ⁴⁾			Białystok 84 km
Sławatycze Domaczewo ⁵⁾			Warszawa 208 km
Terespol Brześć	 		Warszawa 184 km
	UKR	PL	
Dorohusk Jagodzin	 		Lublin 87 km
Hrebenne Rawa Ruska	 		Warszawa 135 km

<u>Korczowa</u> Krakowiec				Rzeszów 76 km
<u>Krościenko</u> Smolnica				Rzeszów 105 km
<u>Medyka</u> Szeginie				Rzeszów 93 km
<u>Zosin</u> Ustyluh				Lublin 147 km



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<u>Barwinek</u> Vysny Komarnik				Rzeszów 90 km
<u>Chyżne</u> Trstena				Kraków 95 km
<u>Łysa Polana</u> Tatranska Javorina				Kraków 110 km
<u>Piwniczna</u> Mnisek nad Popradom				Kraków 130 km
<u>Zwardoń-Myto</u> ²⁾ Skalite				Katowice 119 km



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<u>Cieszyn-Boguszowice</u> Chotebuz				Katowice 75 km
<u>Chałupki</u> ⁷⁾ Bohumin				Katowice 94 km
<u>Głuchołazy</u> ⁸⁾ Mikulovice				Katowice 128 km
<u>Jakuszyce</u> Harrachov				Wrocław 136 km
<u>Kudowa Słone</u> Nachod				Wrocław 140 km
<u>Lubawka</u> Kralovec				Wrocław 109 km

Pietrowice Głubczyckie Krnov 9)				Katowice 133 km
Boboszów Dolni Lipka 9)				Wrocław 137 km
		D	PL	
Gubin Guben				Zielona Góra 60 km
Gubinek Guben				Zielona Góra 60 km
Jędrzychowice Ludmigsdorf				Wrocław 140 km
Krajnik Dolny Schwedt				Poznań 180 km
Kołbaskowo Pomellen				Szczecin 20 km
Kostrzyn ⁴⁾⁸⁾ Kietz				Poznań 151 km
Olszyna Forst				Wrocław 181 km
Słubice Frankfurt a.d. Oder				Poznań 178 km
Świecko Frankfurt a.d. Oder				Poznań 178 km
Zgorzelec Görlitz				Wrocław 149 km

- 1) international, with the load on an axle up to 8t per axle
- 2) vehicles with the total mass weight up to 7.5 t
- 3) vehicles registered in the Republic of Poland and Russia with the total mass weight up to 6t
- 4) vehicles with the total weight up to 7.5t excluding; ADR goods and goods that are subject to phitosanitary check excluded
- 5) for the citizens of the Republic of Poland and Republic of Belarus.
- 6) vehicles with a total weight of mass of 3.5 t of the total mass excluding; TIR excluded
- 7) up to 15 t. of a total weight mass, veterinary control excluded
- 8) freight up to 3.5t; only vehicles registered only in Opolskie Voivodeship and some districts of the Czech Republic
- 9) up to 3.5t; ADR goods excluded

Don't miss it...

Poland is a country of a diverse landscape, full of areas of, untouched and wild nature. Consider visiting one of our 23 National Parks, that can be found all over the country...

...mountain National Parks: **Babiogórski** (1), **Bieszczadzki** (2), **Gorczański** (3), **Karkonoski** (4), **Magurski** (5), **Pieniński** (6), **Gór Stołowych** (7), **Świętokrzyski** (8), **Tatrzański** (9)... highland National Parks: **Ojcowski** (10), **Roztoczański** (11)... lowland National Parks: **Białowieski** (12), **Biebrzański** (13), **Borów Tucholskich** (14), **Drawieński** (15), **Kampinoski** (16), **Narwiański** (17), **Poleski** (18), **Ujście Warty** (19), **Wielkopolski** (20), **Wigierski** (21)... seaside National Parks: **Słowiński** (22), **Woliński** (23).

There are eleven monuments from the UNESCO World Heritage List in Poland:

Kraków's Historic Centre (24).

Wieliczka – Medieval salt mine (25).

Warsaw – Historic Centre (26).

Malbork – Castle of the Teutonic Order (27).

Zamość – renaissance old city – stronghold (28).

Toruń – medieval city of Copernicus (29).

Auschwitz-Birkenau – former Nazi concentration camp museum. (30).

Jawor and Świdnica – Churches of Peace (31).

Wooden Churches of southern Małopolska (32).

Kalwaria Zebrzydowska – the Mannerist Architectural and **Park Landscape Complex and Pilgrimage Park**, Bernardine Monastery (33).

Białowieża Forest National Park (34).

(Figures relate to the map on pp. 14-15)

Additional Information:

NATIONAL TOURIST PORTAL:

www.poland-tourism.pl

Selected Tourist Information Centres:

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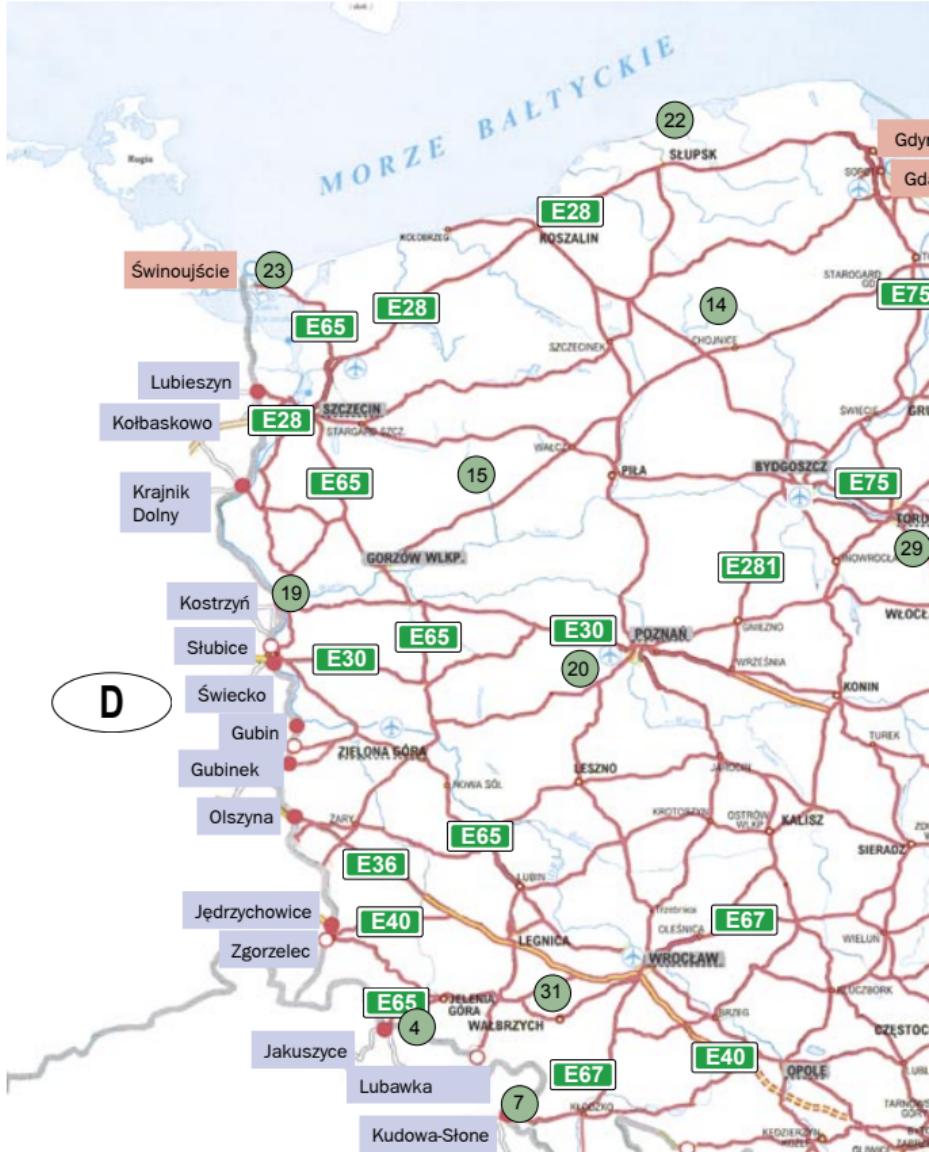
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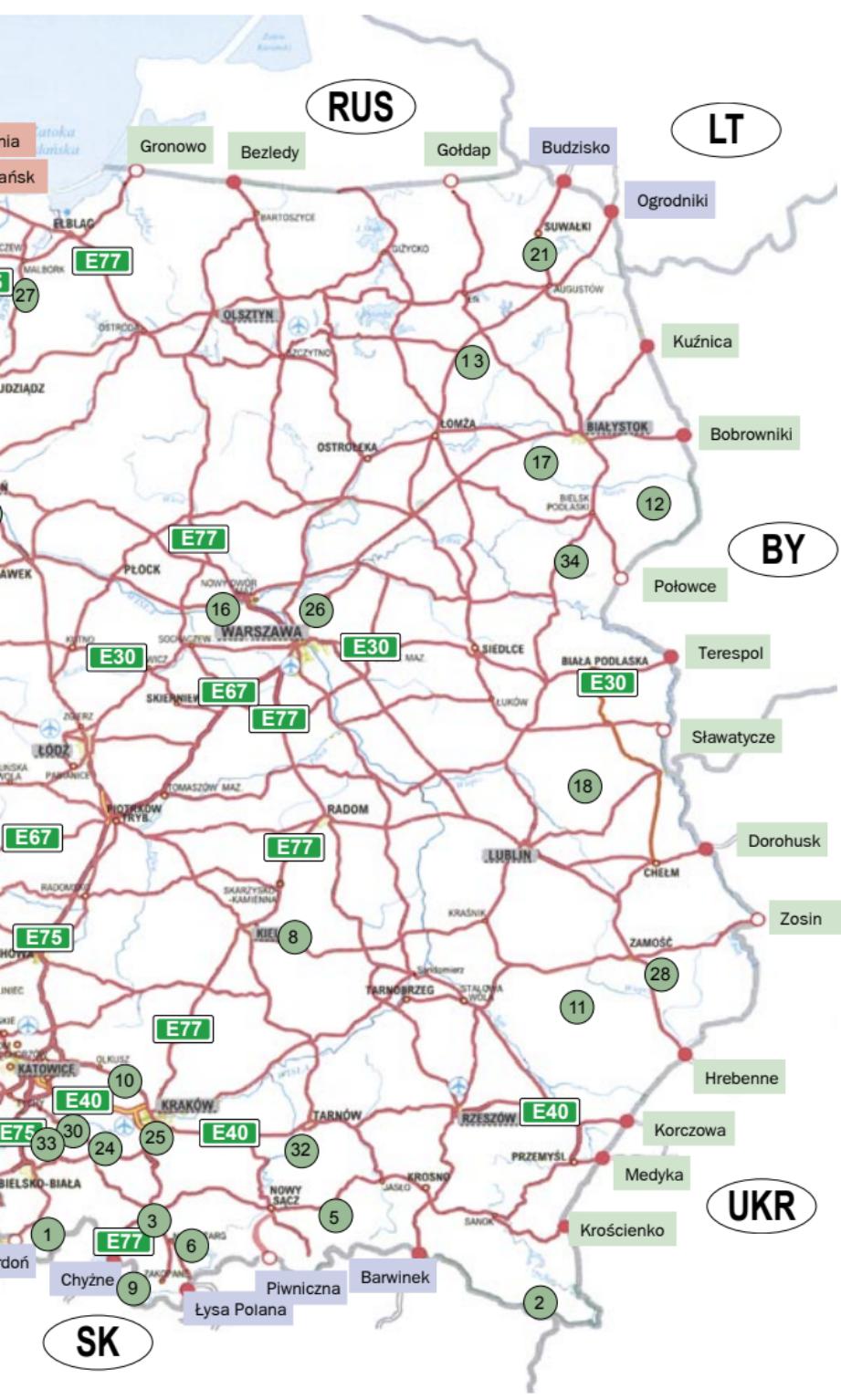
Main road border crossings

Pedestrian border crossings

airports

ferries

1 Don't miss it...



Obey traffic regulations



- It is compulsory for both the driver and passengers to wear seat-belts while driving. Children up to 12 years old, or not taller than more than 150 centimetres tall must be carried in special booster seats.
- Always give way to the bus starting from the bus-stop.
- Always use your indicators when intending to change lanes.



- **Within a urban area do not exceed the speed limits of:**
 - **50 km/h – between 5 a.m. and 11 p.m.**
 - 60 km/h – between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.
 - 20 km/h in an residential zone.
- Outside urban areas do not exceed the speed limits of:
 - a) a car, a motorcycle or a truck of a maximum permissible weight up to 3,5 t:
 - 130 km/h – on a motorways
 - 110 km/h – on dual carriageways
 - 100 km/h – on one-lane carriageways or on dual carriageways with at least two lanes in each direction
 - 90 km/h – on all other roads
 - b) road trains and other vehicle types
 - 80 km/h – on a motorway, carriageway and dual carriageways of at least two lanes in each direction
 - 70 km/h – on all other roads.
- **Always give of way to pedestrians on their crossings and to cyclists on crossings for cyclists.**
- **Be particularly careful after dusk. Pedestrians and cyclists might be hard to spot.**
- Do not use your mobile phone while driving.
- **Don't drink and drive. The permissible legal blood alcohol level in Poland is 0,02%.**
- **It is obligatory to have headlights switched on during daylight from October the 1st till the end of February. Having your headlights on at all times is highly recommended.**



- Switch on your front fog lights only when needed
- Your vehicle must be equipped with fire extinguisher and reflective triangle.
- Label your vehicle with an international symbol of the country where it has been registered (a sticker or a license plate symbol).
- Radar detectors and jamming devices are forbidden.

If you see an accident...

- Stop the car in a safe place and switch your hazard lights on.
- Put a reflective triangle in the distance of 30-50 metres (outside the urban area) or 100 meters (on a motorway) before the scene of the accident.
- Immediately provide first aid to the victims.
- Call the emergency services:



Police – ☎ 997

Ambulance – ☎ 999

Fire brigade – ☎ 998

Emergency number – ☎ 112

Road Transport Inspection

(Inspekcja Transportu Drogowego ITD)

The Road Transport Inspection has the right to inspect all vehicles carrying goods (of a total mass above 3,5 tons) and passengers. The RTI officers are entitled to:

- enter the vehicle,
- check the documents,
- check the measuring devices vehicle's mass and, dimensions as well as to
- check the driver's and other passengers' ID,
- gather evidence,
- levy and collect fines.



When the police stops you...

Policemen who stop your car for the control are wearing identical uniforms; they may also wear reflective yellow-green vests labelled „POLICJA” in black lettering over their regular uniform. The police car is navy blue, with a white, reflective stripe around the body of the car, or white side door.

There is a sign „POLICJA” on the police car’s front doors and there is a fitted compound lamp emitting blue or blue and red light together with the lighted sign „POLICJA” on the roof. All police patrol cars must display tactical numbers comprising of one or two letters and three numerals. The numbers are placed on the rear wings/mudflaps, on the back right-hand side of the body and on the roof.

In compliance with the law, the stopping signal may be given with a special shield stop sign (disc) or with a hand signal, and after dusk the police may only use a red light torch. The signal to stop can also be given by switching blue light for a short time and sounding a changing tone siren.

Plaincloth policemen in plain cloth may stop you only in an urban built-up area, and must present their service ID when doing so.

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Traffic offenses and fines. Foreigners pay their fines (cash only, PLN) to the police offences, after he writes out and gives you a ticket for the amount quoted in the form. In Poland fines and penalties are fixed by law. Most common offences and respective fines:

- Occupying more than one lane of the road – **150 PLN**
- Driver's or passengers' failure to wear seat belts – **100 PLN**
- Driving with small children without a special booster seat – **150 PLN**
- Using a hand-held mobile phone while driving – **200 PLN**
- Failure to give way a bus that has signalled its intention to enter the traffic within a urban area – **200 PLN**
- Exceeding the speed limits:
 - a) by 10 km/h – **do 50 PLN**
 - b) by 11-20 km/h – **50-100 PLN**
 - c) by 21-30 km/h – **100-200 PLN**
 - d) by 31-40 km/h – **200-300 PLN**
 - e) by 41-50 km/h – **300-400 PLN**
 - f) by 51 km/h or more – **400-500 PLN**
- U-turning while it may cause danger to other road users – **200-400 PLN**
- By-passing a vehicle that stopped in order to give way to a pedestrian – **500 PLN**
- Failure to give way to pedestrians on a pedestrian crossing – **350 PLN**
- Stopping or parking on motorways or carriageways outside the marked parking spots – **300 PLN**
- Violation of the parking ban, parking in places other than designated (in residential zones) – **100 PLN**
- Driving without a valid driver's license – **50-250 PLN**
- Drunk-driving – **Withholding the driver's license**

Road user charges (vignettes)

A vignette comprises of two parts:

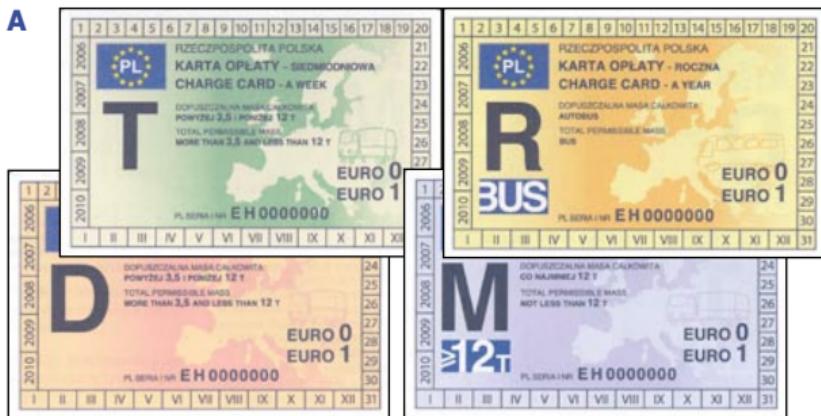
- a sticker one should place inside the vehicle, in the lower-right corner of the windshield.
- A receipt one should always have in the vehicle to show to authorized officers on demand

The sticker and the receipt together are the only evidence of paying the road user charge.

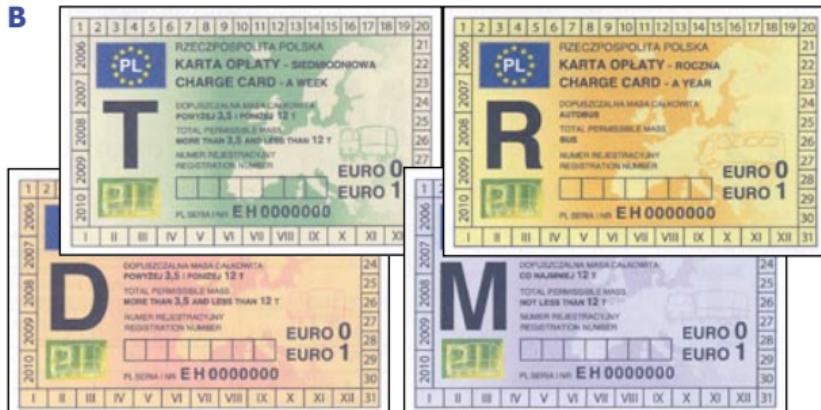
Specimen of the chosen vignettes (sticker – A, receipt – B)

Respectively from the left: **24-hour** and **7-days** for vehicles and road trains of the total permissible weight below 3 t and 12t (excluding buses), **1-month** for vehicles other than buses of the total permissible weight of equal or more than 12 t, and **1-year** for buses.

A



B



Road user charges in Poland

Road user charges for road transport vehicles.

Vehicle category	Amount of the charge				
	D 24 hours	T 7 days	M 1 month	1 year	
					Car emission standard*
Vehicles and road trains of the total permissible mass** below 3 t and 12 t (excluding buses)	Euro 0 or 1	Euro 2 and higher	Euro 0 or 1	Euro 2 and higher	Euro 0 or 1
Vehicles and road trains of the total permissible mass of ≥12 t	27	88	75	275	250
Buses	12	11	45	120	108
					Euro 2 and higher
					Euro 0 or 1
					500
					500

* according to the attachment no 6. of the Ministry of Infrastructure regulation from 24th October 2005 on vehicles and trailers

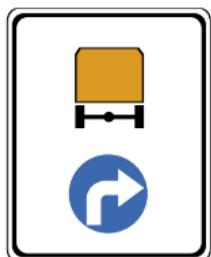
** together with the maximum permissible weight of the trailer.

Vignette holders do not pay the motorway tolls.

Traffic signs and signals used in Poland comply with the EU standards. Some of them include short inscriptions in Polish as presented below:



Limited waiting zone
Inscription:
Working day from 7 a.m. till 9 p.m.



Obligatory
driving direction
for vehicles
with dangerous
materials.



Obligatory
use
of snow chains zone.



End of the obligatory
use of
snow chains zone.



Changing the right
of way on the
crossroads.
Inscription: **Changing
the right of way.**



Paid parking area.
Inscription: **Paid parking area
between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.**



Local road.
Beginning.

Local road.
End.



Beginning of
the residential area.
Attention: In this area one has
to give way to pedestrians.





Inscription: The Republic of Poland. Border crossing (Świecko).



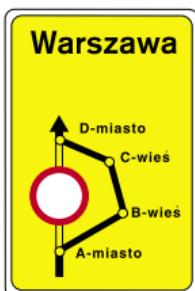
Inscription: The Republic of Poland. State border. Crossing forbidden.



Provincial border.

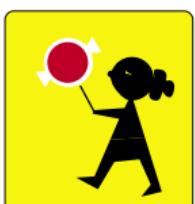


The sign indicating the border of the country.
Inscription: State border.



Detour of the traffic.
Inscription: Detour.

Detour of traffic because of the road closure.
(the detour labelled with names of the towns along the way)



Pedestrian crossing used by children.

Toll road.
Inscription: Toll.



The inscription informing the sign does not apply to bicycles. Inscription: Does not apply.



Exit for privileged vehicles as shown in the sign.
Inscription:
Fire brigade. Exit.



Longitudinal fault in the surface of the road.
Inscription:
Longitudinal fault.



Rutted stretch of the road.
Inscription:
Rutted stretch.



Beginning of the curved road. Inscription:
Winding road.



Numerous traffic accidents caused by slippery surface.
Inscription:
Accidents.



End of a dangerous stretch of the road.
Inscription: End.



Signpost to the town district. Inscription:
District name.



Motorcar tourist route.
Inscription: Route's name.



Place of interest on the motorway tourist route.
Inscription:
Place's name.



Sign indicating way to the museum.
Inscription: Museum's name.



Information about places of interest
Inscription:
Appropriate names.

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