Compulsory Equipment Requirements



Country	First aid kit	High visibility vest	Fire extinguisher	Warning triangle	Daytime lights
Austria	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Belgium	Rec	Yes	Rec	Yes	No
Croatia	Yes	Yes	No	Yes a	Yes b
Czech Rep	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Denmark	Rec	No	Rec	Yes	Yes
France	No	Yes	No	Yes	Rec
Germany	Rec	No	No	Rec	No c
Hungary	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Eire	Rec	No	Rec	Rec	No
Italy	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Luxembourg	Rec	Yes	Rec	Yes	Rec d
Netherlands	Rec	No	Rec	Rec e	No
Norway	Rec	Rec	Rec	Yes	Yes
Portugal	Rec	Rec	Rec	Yes	No d
Slovenia	Yes	Yes	Rec	Yes a	Yes
Spain	No	Yes	No	Yes 1	No f
Sweden	Rec	Rec	Rec	Rec	Yes
Switzerland	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

<u>Notes</u>

a- Two triangles required if towing

b-October - March

c-Except for tunnels/bad weather

d-Compulsory in bad weather and some tunnels

e-If your hazard warning lights are not working you must carry a warning triangle

f-Required for tunnels. Outfits over 12m must fit marker boards Rec = recommended

Overhanging loads such as bike racks, luggage boxes etc.. must display a red and white maker board in Italy and Spain. See additional information under "General legal requirements"

Additional information on high visibility vests, and other equipment

High visibility vests should be kept within easy reach, so you can put them on before getting out of your car.

It is recommended that you carry: spare bulbs, spare wheel or wheel repair kit, a basic tool kit and a spare pair of eye glasses if you need them for driving. In Spain and Italy overhanging loads such as bikes need to have red and white marker boards attached.

Additional information on satellite navigation

Satellite navigation systems that have laser or radar detection inbuilt are not permitted in Europe, and in France, Germany and Switzerland the POI function for fixed speed camera locations must be de-activated.

Additional information on disposable breathalysers

It has been a legal requirement to carry an NF approved breathalyser in France since the 1st July 2012, with a proposed date for implementing a fine of \leq 11.00 for non-compliance due to start on the 1st March 2013. The Automobile Club de France has confirmed that the \leq 11.00 fine has now been postponed indefinitely; however, the requirement to carry a breathalyser is still included in the French Highway code (decree number 2012-284).