

DUTCH TRAFFIC RULES

MOST COMMON RULES AND FINES



BASIC RULES

The Netherlands is a country with a lot of traffic rules. The police are checking a lot. If you break the rules, you get a traffic ticket. These tickets are very expensive, €9 administration costs will be added to every ticket by the CJIB. As it's your own responsibility while driving, HOBIIJ will NOT pay your fines. The ticket will immediately be held in from your salary. That's why we made a little overview for you to inform you about the most important rules. Keep in mind; In the Netherlands it is forbidden to behave in a way that you endanger other road users.

- Drive on the right side of the road.
- Overtake on the left side.
- On intersections, drivers from the right go first, unless traffic signs show something else.
- Priority vehicles with siren and flashing light - like the police, firetrucks or ambulance - have priority. You should make space so they can go ahead.
- An emergency lane may only be used in the event of a breakdown or other emergency. It is not allowed to stop on the emergency lane to make a phone call.
- It's possible that there are restriction on a road or at a specific time. The restrictions will be shown through matrix boards or traffic signs.

NO PARKING - €95+



You are not allowed to park your car at the given examples below:

- Within 5 meters from an intersection
- In front of an entry or exit
- Outside the city limits on the carriageway of a priority road
- Along a yellow broken line
- At a loading and unloading location
- On a parking space for permit holders without a permit
- In a parking lot that is for a category of road users to which you do not belong
- You are not allowed to double park your vehicle
- If an area has parking spaces, you're only allowed to park inside these spaces
- In a parking disc zone (recognizable by a sign and parking spaces with a blue line) you are only allowed to park with a parking disc behind the windscreen. On this parking disc, you can adjust the slider to your arrival time
- Parking in a parking space for disabled people will cost you €380!



Parking disc

NO STOPPING - €95+



You cannot stop your car in the following places:

- At a crossroads, level crossing or crossing place
- Along a yellow solid line
- In a tunnel
- At a bus stop at the checkered mark or within a distance of 12 meters from the sign indicating a bus stop
- On the roadway along a bus lane
- On a bicycle lane or on the roadway along a bicycle lane

ROADTYPES



HIGHWAY

Maximum speed : 100 km/h

Mind the traffic signs: at some roads it's allowed to drive 120 or 130 between 19:00h and 06:00h.



MOTORWAY

Maximum speed : 100 km/h



MOTORWAY - GREEN LINE

Maximum speed : 100 km/h

A green line in the middle of the road shows that the maximum speed is 100 km/h



VACANT AREA

Maximum speed : 80 km/h



CITYLIMITS

Maximum speed : 50 km/h



RESIDENTIAL AREA

Maximum speed : 15 km/h



SPEEDLIMIT

These signs show the maximum speed on that road or in that area. In stead of the 50 it's also possible that it shows other maximum speeds like for example: 70, 80, 100, 120 km/h



ROUTE CONTROL

Cameras measure a part of the road. If your average speed from camera A to camera B is higher as the maximum speed, you'll get a ticket.

SPEEDING

There are different speed limits on different road types. Keep an eye on your speedometer to be sure you won't get a ticket. If you drive faster, the ticket will get higher. So be careful! In the tables beneath you will find the ticket prices for the velocity you're driving too fast. For example; if you drive 95 km/h in a vacant area, you're driving 15 km/h too fast. So the ticket will be €131 + €9 administration costs.

CITYLIMITS

5 km/h	€ 35
10 km/h	€ 72
15 km/h	€ 137
20 km/h	€ 194
25 km/h	€ 263
30 km/h	€ 340
> 30 km/h	: Penal order

VACANT AREA

5 km/h	€ 32
10 km/h	€ 68
15 km/h	€ 131
20 km/h	€ 185
25 km/h	€ 248
30 km/h	€ 324
> 30 km/h	: Penal order

HIGHWAY

5 km/h	€ 30
10 km/h	€ 64
15 km/h	€ 121
20 km/h	€ 174
25 km/h	€ 232
30 km/h	€ 297
35 km/h	€ 372
> 35 km/h	: Penal order

OTHER TICKETS

MOBILE PHONE €240

It's forbidden to hold a mobile phone or any other electronic device while driving a car, moped, motorcycle or even bicycle in The Netherlands. So, no calling, reading, sending e-mails, Whatsapp or anything else while participating in the Dutch traffic. It's also forbidden to clamp the phone between your ear and shoulder. Hands-free calling is allowed. Using a mobile phone while cycling will cost you €95.

OVERTAKING €240

The ticket for overtaking when it's prohibited costs €240.

EXCEED CONTINUOUS LINE €240

You are not allowed to overtake other vehicles when the line in the middle of the road is continuous.

NOT GIVING PRIORITY WHEN NEEDED €240

If other road users should get priority and you will not give this, you get a ticket that costs €240.

SEATBELT €140

You should always wear your seatbelt or else you risk a ticket.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS €240

When the orange light is on you should try to stop. When the traffic lights are red and you cross it, the ticket you get will be €240.

DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE €300+

It is forbidden to drive a vehicle if you are under the influence of a substance that you know (or should know) that can reduce your driving ability to such an extent that you can no longer drive the vehicle properly. This means that all drivers, including cyclists, are punishable if they drive a vehicle under the influence of alcohol, soft drugs (for example marijuana), hard drugs (for example XTC, cocaine) or certain medicines. Never drink and drive!
The exact amount of the ticket depends on the amount of alcohol/drugs/medicines you have used, starting at €300. This will be tested.

NO LITTERING €140

It's forbidden to throw trash on the streets. Even throwing a cigarette out of the window, you risk a fine.
NOTE: It's forbidden to smoke in HOBIIJ cars. When you do smoke in a HOBIIJ car, a cleaning company will clean the inside of the car on your cost.

WATCH ONLINE!

We made some video's for you about the Dutch traffic rules. Check them out on our [YouTube channel!](#)



DRIVE SAFE AND HAVE FUN!



We don't want to scare you, but please mind the dutch traffic rules. We like you to drive safe and have fun! So we provided you with a [Spotify playlist](#) with many hours of the best driving-music! Connect your phone with your stereo and enjoy these tunes!



SCAN ME