

Authorisations, goods transport Kazakhstan

Unless otherwise provided for in a bilateral agreement, drivers of all goods vehicles of over 6t MPW or with a payload of over 3.5t which enter, exit or are in transit through Kazakhstan must be in possession of an authorisation. Furthermore, all foreign hauliers involved in third country transport operations (i.e. the transport of goods to Kazakhstan from a third country or vice versa) must be in possession of an authorisation.

As of 1 January 2004, international road transport operators must apply to the competent body in their own country which will deliver Kazakh authorisations according to a reciprocal quota system. Only transit authorisations may also be obtained at the Kazakh border. These are issued at a price of 10 "specified monthly rates" (approx. US\$58). Since 1 January 2004, the specified monthly rate is equivalent to KZT 919.

Those vehicles which, according to the terms of the bilateral agreement, do not require an authorisation may travel in Kazakhstan under cover of the registration coupon issued at the border crossing point of entry. Hauliers from a country which has not exchanged authorisations on a reciprocal basis will be refused entry into Kazakhstan.

Foreign hauliers returning from a transit journey through Kazakhstan and loading en route in Kazakhstan, are required to obtain an additional authorisation as certification of their right to exit Kazakh territory.

In all cases, when a foreign road vehicle enters Kazakhstan, the authorities will establish the route to be followed and the deadline for leaving the country.

The delivery of an authorisation does not exempt the haulier from the subsequent registration of customs documents for the vehicle and the goods to be transported across the Kazakh border.

Authorisations and all other transport documents should be kept on board the vehicle and presented to officials of the authorised state bodies on demand.

Cabotage is forbidden.

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