



Driving abroad checklist

Use our checklist to check which items compulsory or recommended for when you drive abroad.

✓ = Compulsory R = Recommended	France	Belgium	Netherlands	Germany	Spain	Italy	Austria	Switzerland	Poland
UK plate or UK sticker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Headlamp converters	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Warning triangle	✓	✓	R	✓	✓ ^{2*}	✓	✓	✓	✓
High visibility waistcoat, kept in the car's cabin	✓ ^{4*}	✓	R	✓	✓ ^{3*}	✓	✓	R	R
Spare bulbs	R			R					R
First aid kit		R		R ^{1*}			✓		R
Fire extinguisher		R							✓
Snow chains	✓ ^{5*}			✓ ^{5*}	R ^{5*}	✓ ^{5*}	✓ ^{5*}	✓ ^{5*}	R ^{5*}
Breathalyser	R ^{6*}								

1* Should conform to DIN13 164 standard

2* Two warning triangles are required, one in front and one behind the car

3* One for each person in the car

4* French Road Safety Department strongly advises carrying 2 vests - one must be in body of car (not boot)

5* When using snow-covered roads in compliance with relevant road sign

6* Breathalyser must be NF approved, two strongly recommended due to France's lower limits



Good Samaritan Law

This European law requires every driver to stop and provide assistance when encountering an accident or incident if it is safe to do so. This may require a fire extinguisher and a first-aid kit, so it is strongly recommended to carry these.