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## **Temporary exception from driving time and rest periods**

The Danish Road Traffic Authority has the following statement:

A temporary derogation has been announced to the legislation on driving time and rest periods pursuant to Article 14 (2) of Regulation (EC) no. 561/2006. The derogation has the following content:

*"In the period from 13 March 2020 up to and including 22 March 2020, regulation concerning weekly rest periods (taking the so-called regular weekly rest period of at least 45 hours and reduced weekly rest period of at least 24 hours, cf. Article 8 (6) of Regulation (EC) no. 561/2006) is suspended for all national transport of goods in Denmark".*

This means that the affected drivers may abstain from taking their weekly rest periods during the above-mentioned period.

This also means that any other legislation on driving time and rest periods, ie. the rules on driving time, breaks and daily rest periods must continue to be observed.

The Danish Police and other relevant authorities are informed that during this period the police shall not enforce Article 8 (6) of Regulation (EC) no. 561/2006. Furthermore, the European Commission and the other Member States were informed of this temporary derogation on 14 March 2020.