



Driver & Vehicle Standards Agency

# Staying legal:

HGV driver basics



Safety Standards Service

## EU DRIVERS' HOURS Driving Limits

This leaflet aims to provide you, the professional driver, with the basic information you need to comply and stay legal. It contains information on drivers' hours, the condition of your vehicle and your responsibilities as a driver.

The full guidance can be found at: [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

Key:

- = Rest
- = Driving
- = Other Work



Failure to comply can result in a fixed penalty of up to **£300**, a graduated deposit of up to **£1500** or you could be summoned to court.

# Drivers...

Today's records and the previous 28 days

## ...carry your records

(and digital driver card if one has been issued)



Failure to carry correct records could result in a penalty of **£300**.

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for commercial customers and private motorists  
[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

for corporate information  
[www.gov.uk/dvsa](http://www.gov.uk/dvsa)

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E-mail: [enquiries@vosa.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@vosa.gov.uk)

Customer Service Centre  
0300 123 9000

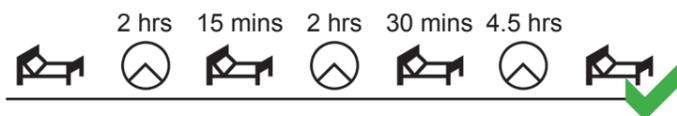
Monday to Friday - 7.30am until 6.00pm

*\*Calls provided by BT are charged at a low rate. Charges from other providers may vary.*

### Driving limits and breaks from driving



### Split breaks



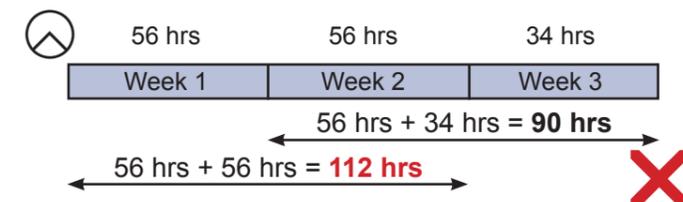
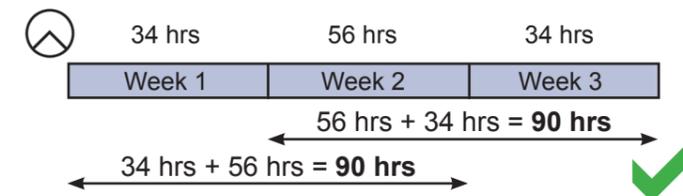
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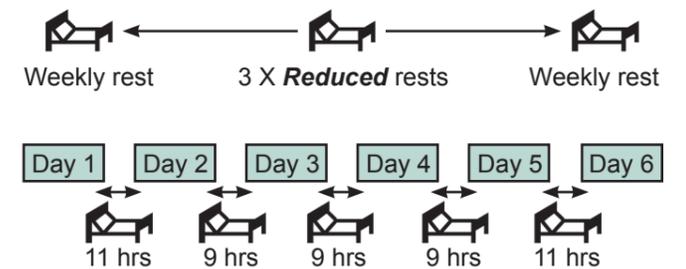
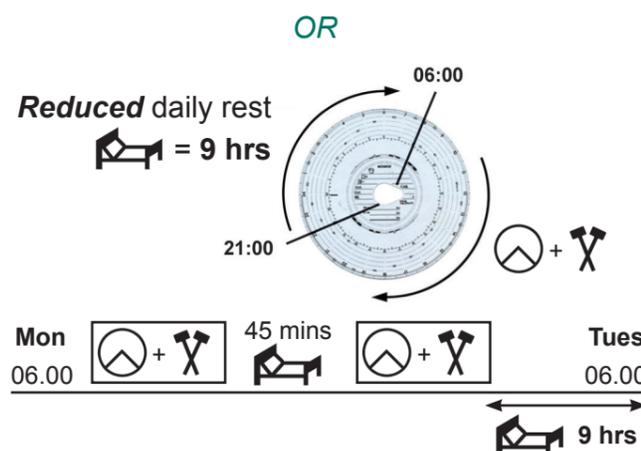
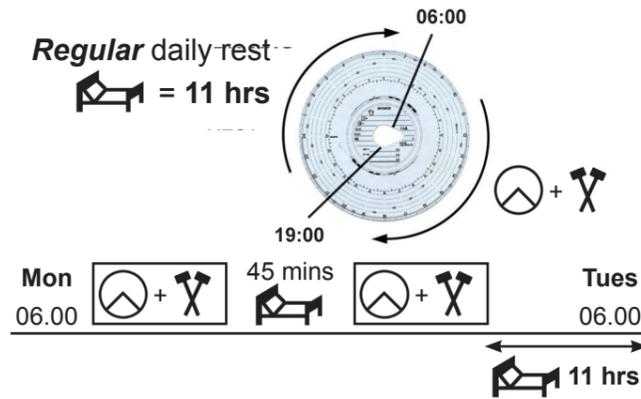
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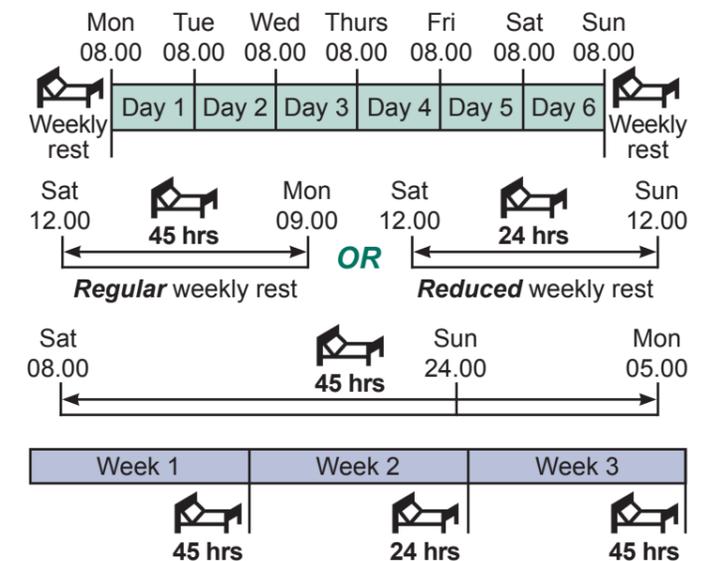
### 2 weeks



### Daily rest



### Weekly rest



# HGV DRIVERS' WALK AROUND CHECK

## BRAKE LINES



## ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS



## MIRRORS AND GLASS



## BRAKES



## FRONT VIEW



## STEERING



## SECURITY OF LOAD



## NUMBERPLATE



## MARKERS



## REFLECTORS



## TYRES AND WHEEL FIXING



## SPRAY SUPPRESSION



## SECURITY OF BODY/WINGS



## BATTERY SECURITY/CONDITION



## COUPLING SECURITY



## FUEL/OIL LEAKS



## LIGHTS AND INDICATORS



## HORN



## EXCESSIVE ENGINE EXHAUST SMOKE



## WINDSCREEN WIPERS AND WASHERS



## WARNING LAMP



Failure to comply can lead to a prohibition, a fixed penalty and penalty points on your licence