

# Estonia (Eastern Europe)

## Touring Tips



The following is additional to our [general advice for motoring in Europe](#).

### Driving licence

You must be at least 18 years old to drive a temporarily imported car or motorcycle.

### Motor insurance

You must have a minimum of Third-party cover.

### Fuel

- Unleaded petrol (95 and 98 octane), diesel and LPG are all available.
- Leaded petrol is not available.
- You may carry petrol in a can but will have to pay excise duty at the frontier.
- Credit cards are accepted at most filling stations but check with your card issuer for use in Estonia before travel.
- Special winter diesel is available during winter months.

### Speed limits

(Standard legal limits, which may be varied by signs, for private vehicles without trailers)

- Built-up areas 31 mph (50 km/h)
- Outside built-up areas 55 mph (90 km/h) but up to 68 mph (110 km/h) on some roads during the summer.
- If you have held a driving licence for less than two years you must not exceed 55 mph (90 km/h).

### Seat belts

- Front seat occupants must wear seat belts.
- Rear seat occupants must wear seat belts if fitted.

### Passengers/children in cars

- A child younger than 12 and not yet tall enough to use an adult seat belt must use a child restraint or child seat adapted to their size.
- Rear facing child restraints must not be used on seats equipped with an active airbag.

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### Lights

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### Motorcycles

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- Riders must wear a crash helmet.
- You must not carry a child passenger younger than 12.

### Drinking and driving

- The legal limit is 20 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood.
- Penalties include both fines and imprisonment.

### Fines

- The police can impose but not collect on-the-spot fines.
- If you agree to the amount of the fine it is payable within 14 days.
- The police control speeds closely and will give fines for even the smallest speeding offences.
- Illegally parked cars will be clamped and heavy fines can be imposed for unlawful parking.

### You must carry the following in Estonia

- **First-aid kit** (company cars only)
- **Fire extinguisher**
- **Reflective jacket(s)** (It is compulsory to wear a reflective jacket in the event of a breakdown at night in a non-urban zone. Any person who gets out of the vehicle must wear one.)
- **Two wheel chocks** (blocks of wood or plastic to put under a vehicles wheels when parked, to stop it moving)
- **Warning triangle** (not required for two-wheeled vehicles)
- **Winter tyres** - (with a minimum tread depth of 3 millimeters) between 1 December and 1 March and at other times between October and April if weather conditions require.

### Other rules/requirements in Estonia

We recommended that you carry an assortment of spares for your vehicle, such as a fan belt, replacement bulbs and spark plugs.

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road ahead*

We recommend that you park only in guarded car parks.

The border police may ask you for proof of sufficient personal insurance cover.

You must not overtake a tram which has stopped to let passengers on or off.

You will have to pay a toll to enter the city of Tallin.

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